

## *CIN Press Release*

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## **The Rockefeller Foundation Supports the Community Investment Network during Black Philanthropy Month**

Raleigh, NC — The Community Investment Network (CIN) received a donation from the Rockefeller Foundation. During Black Philanthropy Month, The Rockefeller Foundation supported Black philanthropy organizations to further their racial justice and equity missions.

“For nearly two decades, the Community Investment Network has played a pivotal role in impacting African Americans and communities of color through our giving circles. CIN is appreciative of the generosity of The Rockefeller Foundation. This investment will allow us to continue to create change by supporting our giving circles through our signature programming and COVID and Social Justice funds,” said Tobi Shannon, Board Chair of the Community Investment Network.

The Community Investment Network is a pioneer in launching and sustaining innovative and non-traditional approaches to giving. As a national network of nearly 30 giving circles impacting African Americans and communities of color, CIN members are rare in philanthropy because they are on the supply side of philanthropy. Since 2004, they have leveraged their collective resources of time, talent, treasure, testimony, and ties. The network has collectively awarded millions to local communities through its members since its inception through grant making and service.

The Community Investment Network’s role in philanthropy is to enhance the capacity of everyday givers to engage in collective giving to create social change in their communities. The work of CIN Giving Circles addresses local issues directly because “community knows what community needs.” To further address these needs, in 2020, CIN created a COVID Relief Fund and a Social Justice Fund to support the efforts of giving circle members and community philanthropists.

## ABOUT THE COMMUNITY INVESTMENT NETWORK

The Community Investment Network (CIN) inspires, connects, and strengthens African Americans and communities of color to leverage their collective resources and create the change THEY wish to see. As a national network of giving circles, CIN understands the importance of guiding African Americans and people of color to the supply side of philanthropy and to be the first investors in their communities. Since 2004, CIN has been guided by the core values of Philanthropic Leadership, Learning Centered Practices, Inclusive Philanthropy, Social Justice and Equity, and Collective Influence.

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