



Community Opportunity Alliance (formerly NACEDA)

Grounding Values in Research

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What does the Grounding Values in Research Project do for the Community Development Field?

Draws attention to community developers

Develops better investment strategies Sustains actionable research

Informs federal policy

Advances racial equity & community connectedness

Documents impact, achievements, and production



Community-Based Development Organization (CBDO) AKA community development organization

Private, nonprofit, community-based organizations whose work is aimed at improving the lives of lower-income people or the communities they live in and that either

- 1) develop housing, commercial, industrial or community facilities
- 2) support business development



Community Development Organizations, 2018

National



6000+ Organizations

\$22.9 B in assets

\$54.2 B in revenues



Community Development OrganizationsGeorgia

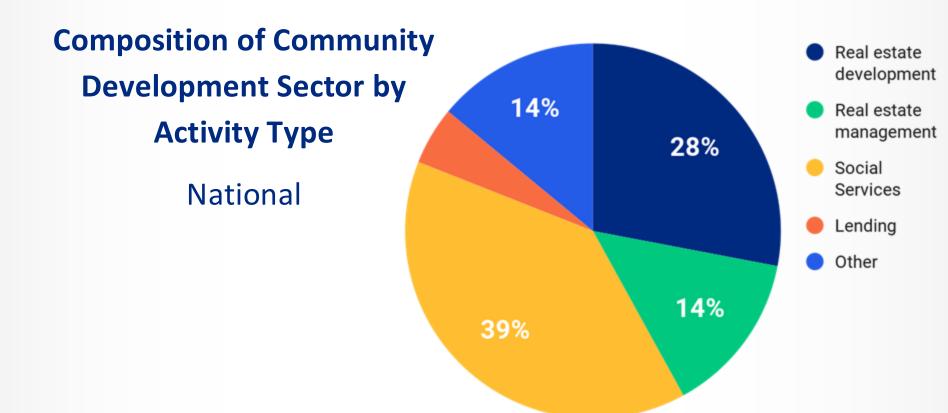


109 Organizations

\$508 M in assets

\$373 M in revenues







Real Estate Production by Community Development Organizations





Economic Development by Community Development Organizations

\$3.5 B

Total Amount of Financial Support provided – Loans & Grants, 2019-2021

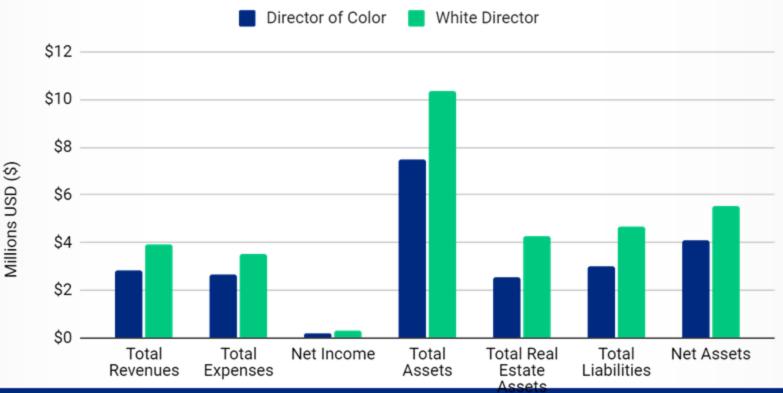


373,000Total Businesses
Supported, 20192021

Equity in the Field

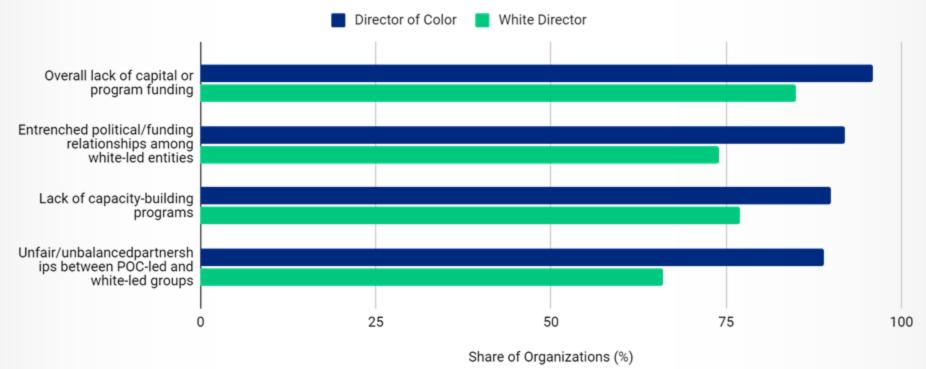


Average Financial Health Metrics by Director's Race/Ethnicity, 2017-2020



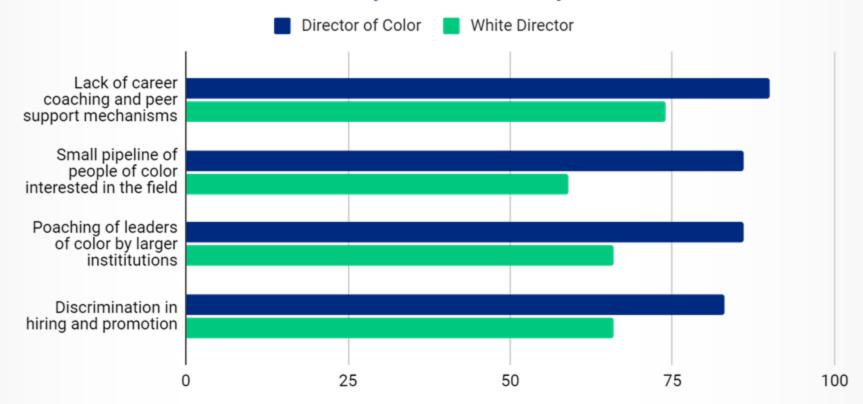


Barriers to Organizations Led by People of Color, by Race/Ethnicity of Director, 2022





Barriers to Leaders of Color, by Race/Ethnicity of Director, 2022

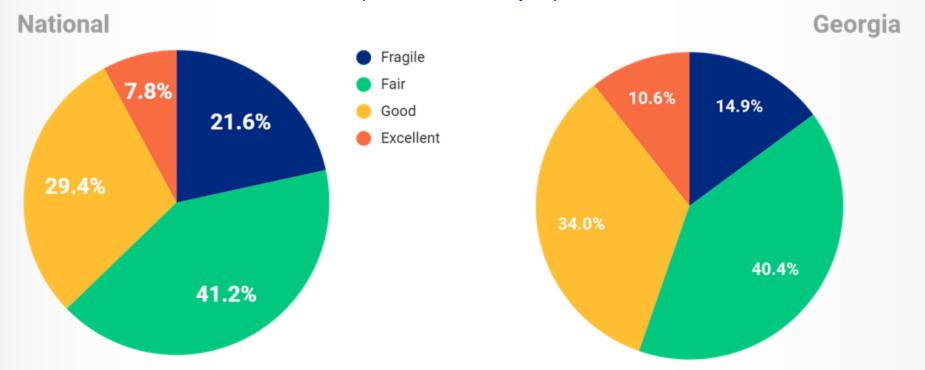


Financial Health



Financial Health of CD Organizations, 2018

(% of Groups)





Resource Concentration



Share of Revenue – Largest Organizations vs. Small, 2018 (% of Total)

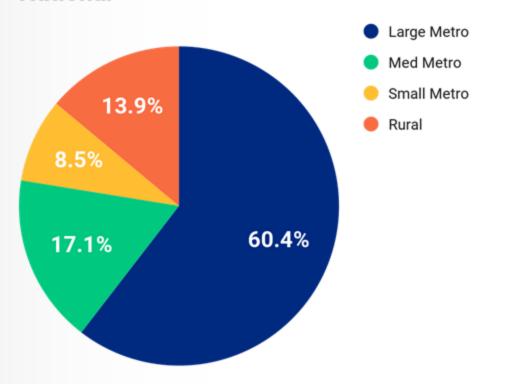
■ Smallest 75%
■ Top 25%

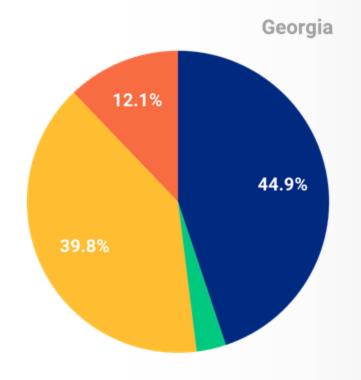




Revenue by Metro Area Size

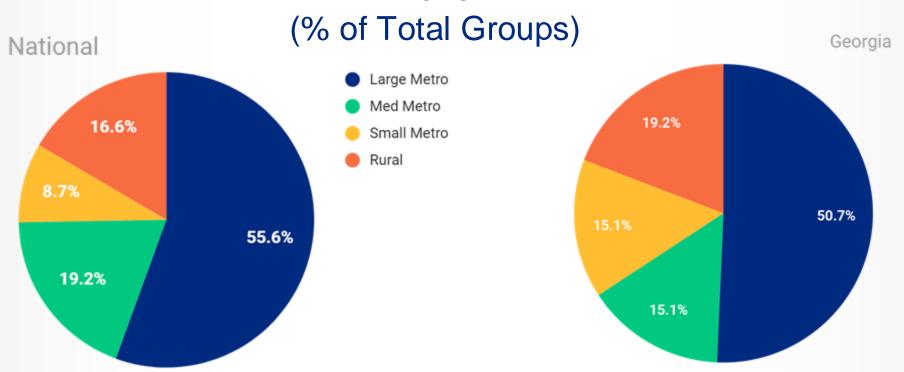
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Community Development Groups by Metro Area Type, 2018





Q&A

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High-Level Findings about the Community Development Field

- The scale of production in the field is confirmed.
- The field is financially significant in size \$23B in revenue and \$54B in assets.
- Organizations orient to community needs, leading to a unique mix of activities.
- Small and mid-sized metropolitan areas have fewer resources.
- Financial resources are concentrated among the largest organizations
- The field is financially healthy overall, but smaller organizations and organizations led by people of color continue to face disproportionate financial challenge.
- There is a lack of understanding and attention for the field at the federal level.



Actionable Research



Financial Health of Community-Based Development Organizations



The State of Community-Based Development Organizations



Money Meets Community series



Public Data Sets



DATASET: Financial Health of Community-Based Development Organizations



DATASET: The State of Community-Based Development Organizations

