LED Series Session # 2: How can Social Innovators and Entrepreneurs Support Inclusive Local Economic Recovery?

Interesting Resources Relevant to the Session

1. The Grameen Foundation provides an overview of its impact stemming from social enterprises they have supported since 2016, which have reached over 21 million end beneficiaries.

2. MIT Solve's Good Jobs and Inclusive Entrepreneurship Challenge will support tech-based solutions to transform the nature of work and overcome massive exclusion due to COVID-19.

3. The Schwab Foundation 2020 Impact Report “Two Decades of Impact” demonstrated how the network of 400 leading social innovators and entrepreneurs it supports have improved the lives of more than 622 million people, protecting livelihoods, driving movements for social inclusion and environmental sustainability, and providing improved access to health, sanitation, education and energy. The community has improved the lives of more than 622 million people in 190 countries; distributed $6.7 billion in loans or value of products and services to improve livelihoods; mitigated more than 192 million tonnes of CO2; improved education for more than 226 million children and youth; improved energy access for 100 million people; and driven social inclusion for over 25 million people for people with disabilities, homelessness or refugee status.

4. Resources for Social Enterprises - COVID 19 Response and Relief Funds

   - Acumen | Lessons for social enterprises at the forefront of COVID
   - Ashoka’s Coronavirus page
   - Bridgespan Group | A Compass for Crisis: Nonprofit Decision Making in the COD-19 Pandemic
   - Candid | Explore recently published requests for proposals and funding opportunities
• Center for the Advancement of Social Entrepreneurship (CASE) at Duke University | Capital relief resource app
• Chronicle of Philanthropy | Resources to help nonprofits
• Council on Foundation’s COVID-19 Resource Hub
• Covidcap.com | A searchable database of over $1 trillion in COVID-19 cash relief resources available to small business and nonprofit entrepreneurs everywhere.
• COVID Near You app | Contribute your health status daily and track the COVID-19 pandemic
• COVID Response Alliance for Social Entrepreneurs
• Echoing Green | State of Social Entrepreneurship in time of COVID
• Emerson Collective | Resources + emergency food bank
• FMA | Resources for nonprofit management during COVID
• Global Innovation Exchange | COVID-19 Innovation Hub—a central database to celebrate, source, and supply COVID-19 innovations across the globe.
• Health Care Without Harm | Coronavirus resource center
• Independent Sector | How to apply for nonprofit relief funds
• Inter-American Development Bank | COVID response
• Kauffman Foundation | Guide to small businesses
• Miller Center for Social Enterprise | roundup of resources at org, funding, and impact levels
• Mulago Foundation | advice and wisdom from leaders who endured 2008-2009 recession
• Nonprofit Finance Fund | cash flow and scenario planning excel tools
• Pioneers Post | collection of resources including info on grants, loans, and other funding for SEs
• SELCO Foundation | COVID-19 specific collection of case studies, guidelines, toolkits, and design/market research simulations at the intersection of health and energy
• SolutionsJournalism.org | Spotting responses to COVID to connecting journalists with story leads
• SPI | Covid-19 Vulnerability mapping for the US’s 500 largest cities
• Techsoup | technology resources for global nonprofits
• WINGS | includes a number of resources on funding and fund seeking response beyond the US
• WITNESS | COVID response hub, resources to protect human rights during the pandemic
• World Economic Forum | COVID Action Platform

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