Giving Circles, explained
Welcome!

- Please introduce yourself in the chat: Name, pronouns, your relationship to North Star Fund, where you are Zooming from and an NYC fall activity you like doing.

- Captioning by ACS. Please chat with NSF - Angbeen Saleem if you have questions about the captions.

- Throughout the program, ask your questions in the chat.

- Today’s session is being recorded, and we will send out the link and additional materials in a followup email.
collective giving towards collective action for collective liberation

- Understand giving circles within NSF giving and donor organizing framework
- Hear from giving circle organizers and participants (including you!)
- Get connected to resources to help you start or strengthen your own social justice giving circle
Our Vision

We envision a world in which resources and power are equitably shared, and a future where everyone can live with dignity and thrive.
Our Mission

We are a social justice fund that supports grassroots organizing led by communities of color building power in New York City and the Hudson Valley. We organize people across race and class to give in support of these movements.
What We Do

1. We give grants through a process that shifts decision-making power to communities fighting for justice.

2. We strengthen the leadership of grassroots organizers.

3. We organize people across race and class to mobilize resources towards social justice movements.


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Donor organizing is the long term work of bringing people into movements through fundraising and resource mobilization.
MOBILIZING RESOURCES

At North Star Fund, redistributing resources builds power for grassroots organizing.

INDIVIDUAL

Donor Advised Funds (DAFs)

2019 GIVING PROJECT raised over $260,000 from 650 people & funded 29 orgs

COLLECTIVE

2019-2020: 1,094 donors made 2,223 gifts

GIVING CIRCLES
Giving Circles can look many different ways but there are a few distinguishing characteristics:

- An intentional process that brings groups of people together
- Guided by shared values or interests
- The group practices collective decision making and pools their resources for greater impact
Not All Giving is the Same. Only 2% of all philanthropic dollars go towards social justice work.

Learn to Give Towards Change. Social Justice Giving Circles are a great way to build community and to take action for social change.

North Star Fund Can Help. We practice power-shifting philanthropy by raising money that is distributed by community activist-led committees in New York City and the Hudson Valley.
Speakers

● Guadalupe Ambrosio, NYSYLC
● Ivan Rosales, NSF Finance Director
● Cheryl Taruc, Radfund
● Erin “Maz” Mazursky, Radfund
● Ogonnaya Newman, Black Feminist Susu