




# Funders for LGBTQ Issues 2015 Annual Report

Dear Friends and Colleagues,

Thanks to the support of our members and partners, 2015 proved to be a record-breaking year for LGBTQ philanthropy and a year of growth for Funders for LGBTQ Issues. **In the first year of our ambitious strategic plan to increase LGBTQ funding to \$200 million, we helped bring more than \$5 million in new funds for LGBTQ communities from foundations and other funders new to LGBTQ issues.** We began implementation of our Out in the South Initiative and launched a new program providing foundations with trainings and support on LGBTQ inclusiveness. Our membership, revenue, and reach all continued to grow.

Thank you for your continued support and commitment to LGBTQ communities.

Take Care,

  
Ben Francisco Maulbeck  
President, Funders for LGBTQ Issues



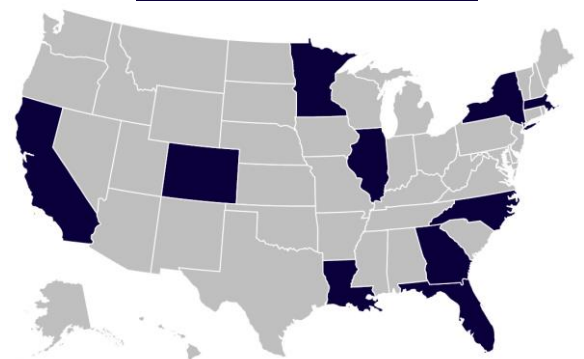
## Convening & Collective Action

In 2015, Funding Forward attracted 140 grantmakers committed to LGBTQ issues to Atlanta - more attendees than ever before.

Over the course of the year we hosted two health summits, one in New York and one in San Francisco, connecting more than 100 grantmakers and advocates concerned about health disparities in LGBTQ communities.

We hosted funder convenings and events in 10 states and the District of Columbia in 2015.

Location of Events (2015)



## Outreach & Support Services

In 2015, Funders for LGBTQ Issues provided individualized trainings and support for the staffs of six foundations. We tailored these trainings to focus on the program priorities and geographic focus of each funder.

## Research & Communications



In 2015, we released four special reports – two focused on LGBTQ health, one focused on opportunities for funding LGBTQ communities in the U.S. South, and one focused on funding for transgender communities. We also released our strategic plan and an infographic on LGBTQ AAPI communities.

**Our reports were collectively downloaded more 7,500 times!**

## Membership

In 2015, our membership grew by more than 12 percent, from 63 members to 71 members. New members are bolded.

### Institutional Members

- |  |   |                                       |
|--|---|---------------------------------------|
| 11th Hour Project                          | Freeman Foundation                                | Overbrook Foundation                  |
| American Jewish World Service              | <b>Gilead Sciences</b>                            | The Palette Fund                      |
| <b>Andrus Family Foundation</b>            | Gill Foundation                                   | Pfund Foundation                      |
| Anonymous                                  | Gilmour-Jirgens Foundation                        | Polk Bros. Foundation                 |
| Arcus Foundation                           | Groundswell Fund                                  | Pride Foundation                      |
| Arizona Community Foundation               | Guilford Green Foundation                         | Proteus Fund, Inc.                    |
| Astraea Lesbian Foundation for Justice     | Evelyn & Walter Haas, Jr. Fund                    | <b>Robert Wood Johnson Foundation</b> |
| The David Bohnett Foundation               | The William and Flora Hewlett Foundation          | Rockefeller Philanthropy Advisors     |
| <b>Borealis Philanthropy</b>               | Horizons Foundation                               | Rosenberg Foundation                  |
| Boston Foundation                          | Johnson Family Foundation                         | San Diego Human Dignity Foundation    |
| The Calamus Foundation (Delaware)          | Kicking Assets Fund                               | San Francisco AIDS Foundation         |
| The California Endowment                   | John Larsen Foundation                            | Santa Fe Community Foundation         |
| The California Wellness Foundation         | Laughing Gull Foundation                          | Small Change Foundation               |
| Jeff Chartrand Advised Fund                | Levi Strauss Foundation                           | Stonewall Community Foundation        |
| The Cleveland Foundation                   | M.A.C. AIDS Fund                                  | <b>Surdna Foundation</b>              |
| Community Foundation for Northeast Florida | The John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation | Dwight Stuart Youth Fund              |
| Community Foundation Santa Cruz County     | Amy Mandel and Katina Rodis Fund                  | H. van Ameringen Foundation           |
| Con Alma Health Foundation                 | Marguerite Casey Foundation                       | Vermont Community Foundation          |
| Cream City Foundation                      | Mukti Fund  | <b>Washington AIDS Partnership</b>    |
| Elton John AIDS Foundation                 | <b>New Venture Fund</b>                           | Wells Fargo Bank                      |
| Equity Foundation                          | New York Women's Foundation                       | Wild Geese Foundation                 |
| Ford Foundation                            | North Star Fund                                   | <b>Third Wave Fund</b>                |
| Foundation For The Carolinas               | Our Fund, Inc.                                    | Tides Foundation                      |
| Foundation for Louisiana                   |   | Women's Foundation of California      |

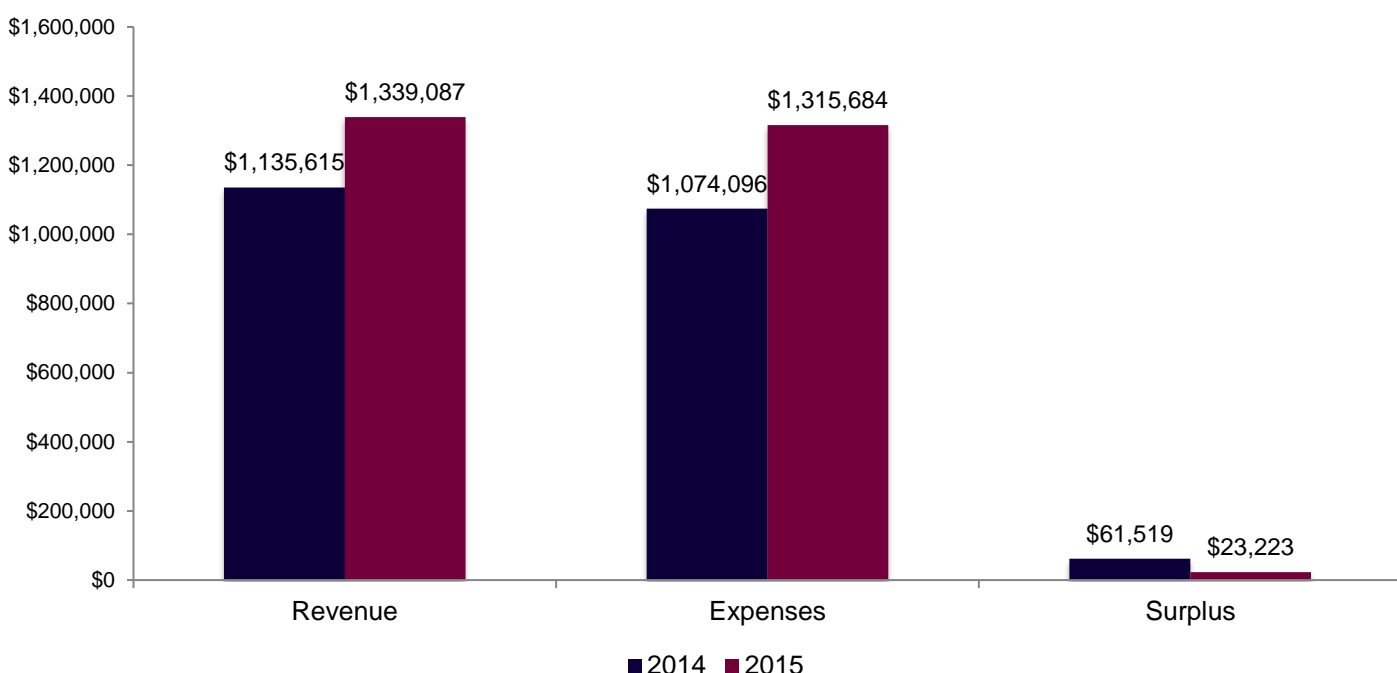
### Individual Members

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| Lawrence Biddle  | Matthew "Matty" Hart              | Michael Riendeau           |
| Rohit Burman     | Elizabeth Hernandez               | Cindy Rizzo                |
| Richard Burns    | Andrea Jenkins                    | Brian Schultz              |
| Larry Cohen      | Lyle Matthew Kan                  | Michael Seltzer            |
| Afredo Cruz      | Surina Khan                       | Mitchell Singer            |
| Christina Cuevas | Andrew Lane                       | Kristine Stallone          |
| Virginia DeGaldo | Ben Francisco Maulbeck            | Eugenia Taylor             |
| Mark DiBiase     | Valerie Maulbeck & Joanna Sickler | Nathaniel "Toby" Thompkins |
| Karen Driscoll   | Sammy Moon                        | Beatriz "Bia" Vieira       |
| Rebecca Fox      | Cynthia Renfro                    | Kristina Wertz             |
| Carly Hare       |                                   |                            |

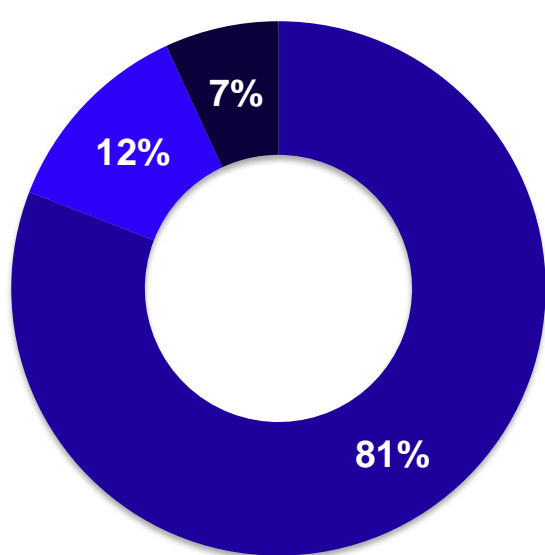
# Finances

In 2015, our revenue once again increased as the organization grew and took on an expanded scope of work. Our expense ratios remained the same, with more than 80 percent of expenses devoted to programming.

## Revenue vs. Expenses

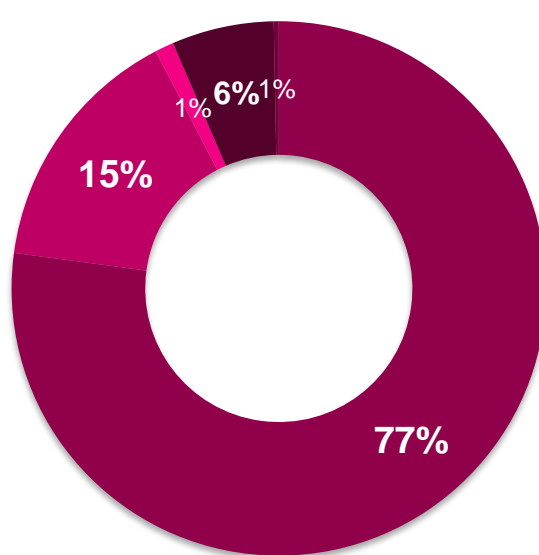


## Expenses



■ Program ■ Management ■ Fundraising

## Revenue



■ Foundation Grants ■ Membership Dues  
 ■ Individual Donors ■ Registration Fees  
 ■ Investment Income

# Board & Staff

### 2015 Board of Directors

- Cindy Rizzo, Chair  
*The Arcus Foundation*
- Rebecca Fox, Vice Chair  
*Wellspring Advisors*
- Kristine Stallone, Treasurer  
*American Jewish World Service*
- Beatriz "Bia" Vieira, Secretary  
*Philanthropic Consultant*
- Rohit Burman  
*The Estée Lauder Companies*
- Alfredo Cruz  
*Foundation for Louisiana*
- Gabriel Foster  
*Trans Justice Funding Project*
- Matthew "Matty" Hart  
*Global Philanthropy Project*
- Surina Khan  
*Women's Foundation of California*
- Mitchell Singer  
*Rockefeller Philanthropy Advisors*
- Patricia St. Onge  
*Seven Generations Consulting*
- Nathaniel "Toby" Thompkins  
*Tides*
- Rye Young  
*Third Wave Fund*

### 2015 Staff

- Ben Francisco Maulbeck, *President*
- Lyle Matthew Kan, *Director of Research & Communications*
- Marvin Webb, *Director of Finance & Administration*
- Kristina Wertz, *Director of Engagement*
- Chantelle Fisher-Borne, *Project Director, Out in the South Initiative*
- Naa Hammond, *Research & Communications Associate*
- Rebecca Wisotsky, *Executive Associate & Philanthropic Outreach Coordinator*
- Nicholas Giordano Faggella, *Research & Communications Fellow*



# Lead Supporters

Our success in 2015 was made possible in part because of the generous support of our lead partners, each of which provides Funders for LGBTQ Issues with \$30,000 or more in core support:

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