WHO WE ARE

“Solidaire has completely transformed my giving by literally getting money moving that wasn’t moving. I have so many places I can move money to and quickly. I have also learned so much about movements.”
- Solidaire Member

Solidaire is a vibrant and intergenerational network of donors, donor organizers and movement leaders working toward social justice. As a network, we have a vision of radical giving that invites donors to transform ourselves and our own relationship to power. Solidaire was formed in 2013 as a community of people making change, inspired by the progression of movement moments, from anti-austerity, to the Arab Spring, to Occupy. Today, Solidaire exists to build a fair and just society and a healthy, thriving planet where all people flourish and have the power to shape the decisions that affect their lives. Annually, our members move between $50,000 to $100 million in alignment with Solidaire values, principles, and practices to the most important social movements and issues of our time.

VISION

We envision a world where racism, economic exploitation, and disregard for the well-being of the planet no longer destroy whole communities to benefit a few, a world where all people have power to shape the decisions that affect their lives and to flourish.

PURPOSE

Solidaire works to fundamentally change economic, political, and cultural power systems by growing and nurturing a network of donor organizers to accompany movements for social and racial justice. We do our work alignment with our Guiding Principles and Practices.

GRANTMAKING

Solidaire’s membership moves money to the front lines of social change in order to fund urgent needs, support bold and innovative ideas that others may not fund, and help build long-term infrastructure for the movement. Across all of our current funding vehicles, Solidaire members move money to C3 and C4 organizations. Members move money together as pooled funding through Solidaire’s infrastructure and individually to projects pitched to its members through its listserv. Members also move money to entities that do not have C3 or C4 designations.

Solidaire prioritizes funding work that is led by people most directly impacted by injustice, builds power to challenge oppressive systems, and confronts the root causes of oppression(s). Our grantmaking is focused on communities that are historically under-resourced by philanthropic dollars and donors. We move money in ways that seek to challenge the traditional norms of the philanthropic sector. To that end, we work to:

• Make applying for funds as easy as possible, employing short application processes.
• Offer general operating support to groups.
• Not require reporting but instead seek to build just and right relationships that help us walk alongside movements and support their decision-making regarding how best to put resources to use.
• Influence the ways the philanthropic sector funds and builds relationships with movements.
MEMBERSHIP TYPES

“Solidaire has made me think deeper about my role in the funding ecosystem as well as helped expand my imagination of seeing the possibilities of what can happen in bridging movements with donors.”

- Solidaire Member

By becoming a member of Solidaire, you are joining a powerful community of donor organizers that are moving unprecedented amounts of solidarity and support to the frontlines of social justice and making real change possible. Solidaire memberships fuel our collective giving. We offer two types of memberships:

INDIVIDUAL MEMBERSHIPS

Solidaire’s primary constituency is individuals with wealth who have the ability to move $100,000 or more in annual giving personally or through a family foundation and are aligned with and committed to our values. We encourage individuals to consider joining with family or collaborators.

INSTITUTIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

Our work happens in collaboration with partners and allies in the larger movement philanthropy ecosystem. To that end, we welcome the participation and expertise of professional grant-making staff, many of whom have direct experience in organizing and movement building. We offer foundation memberships for closely aligned foundation staff members who support movements in their work.

MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS

“...I’ve learned to be far more honest about my wealth and giving, more intentional in my donations. It’s helped me give bigger and inspire others to be more generous.”

- Solidaire Member

Our collective work happens through standing in our power as donor organizers and resource mobilizers. To that end, all dues-paying members have full access to relationship building and convening, deep political education, ongoing learning and collaborations, and experiential opportunities:

OPPORTUNITY TO BUILD AND GROW COMMUNITY

- Salons: We host regular events featuring movement partners, where there are opportunities for deeper learning and relationship building.
- Informal Gatherings: The strength of our community is also in the deep analysis, expertise, experience, and core values that every member brings. To create more opportunities to discover each others’ gifts, members and staff alike regularly host informal get-togethers to build relationships.
- Annual Retreat: Our annual member retreat is one of our biggest opportunities for Solidaire members all over the country to convene together in one place to collectively dream, brainstorm, and learn together—complete with lots of joyful time to bond. In 2020, due to COVID, our annual retreat will be virtual.
- Regional Hub Gatherings: We are in the process of launching regional hubs all over the country, including a select number of regional gatherings in 2020. Regional hubs are an opportunity to connect in person with other members and connect to local organizing. Regional hubs are decided upon through member and movement consultations.


OPPORTUNITY TO LEARN

- **Online Learning Calls and Webinars:** We regularly organize learning calls that are relevant to movement moments and key focus areas. Members get the opportunity to connect with movement leaders and be in conversation with one another.
- **Political Education:** We are currently developing political education and peer learning opportunities to positively transform relationships between donors and movements.
- **Working Groups:** Members organize around specific focus areas such as climate justice, Indigenous justice, and more. Working groups hold virtual monthly calls and often feature guest speakers on relevant movement moments. Working groups are also an opportunity to self-organize around topics and collectively move additional funding.
- **Active Listservs:** As a national network, we use listservs to connect and communicate with one another. Our listservs provide opportunities to learn about and also bring forth rapid response funding requests, share articles and knowledge, ask questions or advice on social justice philanthropy, and more.

OPPORTUNITY TO SUPPORT MOVEMENTS

Through our Rapid Response, Movement R&D, and Aligned Giving Strategy, members have an opportunity to support critical issues and movements.

- **Rapid Response:** Members have the chance to learn about movement moments and be a first responder to urgent needs. Members hear about real time, on-the-ground needs and important work all over the country.
- **Movement R&D Fund:** All members take collective action by contributing to our pooled fund that supports bold, upstart, innovative experiments in movement-building. Our Movement R&D Fund allows members to participate in deep learning of movement issues, connect with movement leaders, and also participate in the Movement R&D grantmaking process.
- **Aligned Giving Strategy:** Members can coordinate for deeper and longer-term impact to a movement ecosystem. Our current Aligned Giving Strategy is focused on moving long-term financial resources to support the Movement for Black Lives (M4BL).
- **Emergent Fund:** We pool giving through other funders and donor networks into the Emergent Fund. This allows us to expand our impact in collaboration and coordination with other philanthropy partners in the movement ecosystem.
- **Additional Giving Opportunities:** As a community, we are constantly innovating our funding vehicles. In 2019, members launched a pooled fund to meet the Climate Justice Movement Moment and support experiments and breakthrough ideas that would be considered too risky by mainstream philanthropy. We are currently exploring partnerships with Indigenous-led intermediaries to ensure our ongoing support for the Movements for Indigenous sovereignty.

MOVEMENT CONTRIBUTIONS & MEMBERSHIP DUES

Our standard proposed minimum dues are based on members’ overall annual giving.

In essence, Solidaire represents a pooled funding “plus” vehicle. About 80% of membership contributions go to supporting our pooled funding to movement partners. The remaining 20% goes to support Solidaire’s learning, leadership, and networking programs to support the impact of our donor organizer members. We are also happy to speak with you about supporting the growth of Solidaire’s programs, and other personalized ranges for your membership and pooled movement contribution.
For institutions that are giving at or above the $10 million annual range, we hope to explore opportunities to create individualized partnerships where Solidaire can support your grantmaking arm to pool funding to movements and leverage your current grantmaking goals. Solidaire has the infrastructure and support already in place to respond nimbly to movement partners. For institutional members, Solidaire can serve as both an intermediary, as well as amplifier, of your foundation’s work to resource social movements.

### Proposed Fee for 2020

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**FOR C3 SOLIDAIRE NETWORK CONTRIBUTIONS:**

Solidaire Network is an independent 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. All contributions are tax-deductible to the extent allowable by law.

**ACH/Electronic Transfer Payment**

**Bank Name:** Beneficial State Bank  
**EIN:** 84-2130536  
**Wire Transfer Routing Number:** 121182056  
**Account Holder:** Solidaire Network Inc.  
**Account Number:** 2230006306  
**Bank Address (note: please do not mail physical checks to this address):**  
Beneficial State Bank  
1438 Webster St. Suite 100  
Oakland, CA 94612

**Paper Check Payment Information**  
If you need to mail a paper check, please make your check out to “Solidaire Network” and send it to our check processing service at:  
Solidaire Network  
P. O. Box 94684  
Seattle, WA 98124-6984

**Stocks and Securities Payment**

**Account Name:** Solidaire Stock Transfer  
**EIN:** 84-2130536  
**Account Holder:** Solidaire Network Inc.  
**Account Number:** 934977  
**DTC:** 2663  
**Custodian:** SEI Private Trust
FOR C4 SOLIDAIRE ACTION CONTRIBUTIONS:

Solidaire Action is fiscally sponsored by Tides Advocacy Fund, a 501(c)(4) non-profit organization.

**ACH/Electronic and Stock Transfer Payment**

**Project/Fund Name:** Tides Center / Solidaire Network  
**c4 Wire and Stock Transfer Instructions**  
**EIN:** 94-3153687  
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