



The Harry and Jeanette Weinberg Foundation

Foundation Overview

The Harry and Jeanette Weinberg Foundation strives to fight poverty and build strong, vibrant communities where everyone can thrive.

The Foundation provides grants to nonprofits in the United States and Israel that help people achieve economic stability and well-being by equipping them to secure **safe and affordable housing**; lead **healthy lives**; obtain and keep **good jobs**; engage in high-quality **educational and developmental opportunities**; and, later in life, remain independent and **age with dignity**.

To learn more about the Foundation, please visit www.hjweinberg.org.



Our History

Like most immigrants coming to the United States in the early 1900s, Harry Weinberg's family arrived with little more than hope and a willingness to work hard. Beyond their many challenges, Harry and his wife, Jeanette, saw opportunity.

Harry was gifted with a keen business mind and entrepreneurial spirit. Despite leaving school at age 12, he built a career that turned one successful investment into another, often seeing value where others did not. In the 1950s and 1960s, he owned bus lines in several cities, including Honolulu, Hawai'i. Again seeing opportunity, and before many others recognized the eventual value of real estate in Hawai'i, Harry began purchasing properties throughout the islands. He was the largest single real estate investor in Hawai'i at the time of his death.

But Harry never forgot his humble roots. In 1959, he created The Harry and Jeanette Weinberg Foundation to help meet the needs of low-income people. The Foundation as we know it today has existed since 1990, when Harry died – one year after his wife passed away. Today, the fortune that Harry amassed has grown to \$3.1 billion. Those funds support the Foundation's efforts to carry forward his legacy through its grantmaking to fight poverty and build strong, vibrant communities in the United States and Israel.



Our Commitment to the Jewish Community

The Foundation supports nonprofits that help people within the Jewish community in the United States and Israel achieve economic stability and well-being. These grants align with Weinberg's general funding priorities (see page 5).

In Israel, the Foundation invests in improving the lives of older adults; connecting people with jobs; and addressing trauma and providing mental health care. Weinberg also supports signature efforts to build and strengthen leadership and collaboration across sectors and communities.

In the United States, the Foundation's grantmaking in the Jewish community focuses on addressing poverty, combating antisemitism, and strengthening the Jewish nonprofit sector, as well as several signature initiatives across these three areas (see page 4).



Key Jewish Community Initiatives



Together Ending Need

In partnership with the Jewish Funders Network, the Foundation supports a nationwide collaborative effort dedicated to addressing poverty within the U.S. Jewish community. Launched in 2019, Together Ending Need's goals include assembling reliable and uniform data on Jewish poverty in America; changing the narrative on Jewish poverty; and developing, aggregating, and sharing best practices and models for reducing poverty.

LEADING EDGE

Leading Edge

This nonprofit helps Jewish organizations attract, develop, and retain top talent by offering programs for onboarding new CEOs, strengthening partnerships between lay leaders and professionals, and conducting original research.



Yashar: Support for Inclusion at Jewish Camp

This initiative in partnership with the Foundation for Jewish Camp aims to enhance accessibility and inclusion for campers and staff with disabilities through capital improvements, professional development, staff training, research, and evaluation at participating camps and the broader field.



SafetyRespectEquity

The SafetyRespectEquity Network works to foster safe, respectful, and equitable Jewish workplaces and communal spaces. Through gatherings, research, and development of national standards, the network advances women's leadership and gender equity, in addition to addressing sexual harassment, sexism, and gender discrimination.

Our Focus Areas

The Weinberg Foundation provides grants across five focus areas:



Housing



Education



Health



Aging



Jobs





Housing

Stable housing provides a foundation for individuals, children, and families to lead healthy and productive lives. Without a place to call home, people cannot put themselves on a path to a stronger future.





Funding Priorities

1. Supporting **nonprofit housing development** to accelerate the production of affordable housing that includes services to help people achieve and maintain stability.
2. Bolstering **innovative, community-driven efforts** that preserve affordable housing for generations.
3. Improving **collaboration across public systems and organizations** that serve people without housing or at risk of experiencing homelessness.

Key Initiative

Building Developer Capacity

To increase the supply of affordable housing, the Foundation aims to strengthen the field of nonprofit housing developers. As part of this initiative, Weinberg works with a group of developers in its priority communities, providing grants for predevelopment activities – such as acquiring land, retaining architects and engineers, or conducting environmental studies – and to build the development teams and capacity of these organizations. The Foundation also supports nonprofit loan funds that increase these developers' access to capital they need for projects.



Health

Good health is essential to help people move and remain out of poverty. Poor physical or mental health can prevent or complicate the pursuit of education, employment, and other opportunities for economic mobility.





Funding Priorities

1. Supporting organizations that provide **access to health care** and strive to improve patient health.
2. Increasing access to **nutritious food**.
3. Promoting **family safety** and **reducing the long-term traumatic effects** of abuse and neglect, sexual assault, intimate partner or family violence, elder abuse, and exposure to community violence.

Key Initiative

Community Health Centers

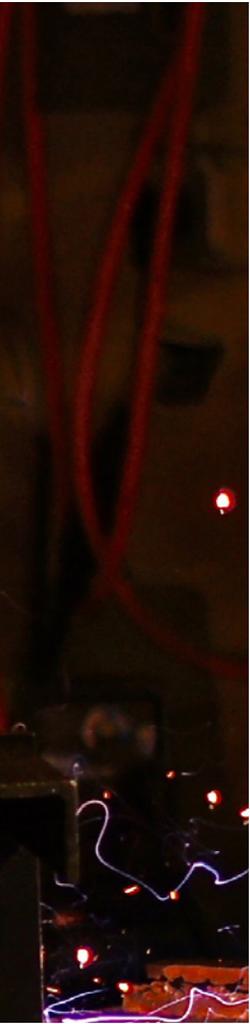
This initiative aims to make dental and behavioral health care more accessible through federally qualified health centers located across the Foundation's priority communities, particularly in Hawai'i and rural areas with severely limited access. Supporting the renovation, expansion, and operational support of these facilities allows them to serve more patients.



Jobs

Employment provides the best opportunity for personal success and financial security. Quality training programs that lead to employment enable individuals and families to achieve economic stability.





Funding Priorities

1. Supporting **job-training programs** that result in industry-recognized credentials, as well as job-placement and retention services.
2. Providing opportunities for **career exploration in high school** and hands-on learning opportunities for **youth ages 14-24**.

Key Initiatives

National Fund for Workforce Solutions

The National Fund for Workforce Solutions consists of more than 30 regional collaborative efforts that help workers succeed and provide employers with the talent they need. The Foundation supports two new collaboratives in Hawai'i and Northeastern Pennsylvania, coaching for the leaders of the collaboratives, and capacity building throughout the network.

Wage Record Study for Maryland Grantees

This study — supported in partnership with the Abell and Annie E. Casey foundations — analyzes pre- and post-training earnings for participants of Maryland's employment and training programs to better understand their long-term impact.



Education

Education can help break the cycle of poverty. Providing high-quality academic and developmental opportunities helps young people build the skills they need to succeed in school and life.





Funding Priorities

1. Helping youth (ages 11-21) meet **key milestones** and develop skills and introduce them to a wide variety of academic areas and careers, equipping them to **graduate high school, complete postsecondary education or training, and build a career.**
2. Supporting programs that help **middle and high school students** stay on track to graduate with the skills they need to be successful, such as **reading and math proficiency**, and that provide **advanced learning and enrichment opportunities** for youth with limited access to such experiences.
3. Bolstering the **physical and mental well-being of adolescents** so they can fully engage in school and life.

Key Initiatives

Baltimore Elementary and Middle School Library Project



This \$30 million multiyear partnership builds and transforms Baltimore City's public school libraries in neighborhoods where many students face academic and economic challenges. The Library Project serves over 7,700 students and their families through 17 libraries.

Baltimore Summer Funding Collaborative



This annual partnership supports high-quality summer programs for children and youth. It has grown to include nearly a dozen national and local funders.



Aging

All individuals deserve to age with respect and dignity, with the support they need to thrive. Older adults often face unique social, physical, and economic challenges that can undermine their health and quality of life, as well as their ability to remain in their homes and connected with their community.





Funding Priorities

1. Enabling older adults to **live in their home safely** and comfortably and **maintain their independence**.
2. Connecting older adults with a range of services that help them **stay active and engaged in their community**, with maximum **quality of life**.

Key Initiatives

Community Aging in Place, Advancing Better Living for Elders (CAPABLE)



CAPABLE

The Foundation has supported the expansion of this five-month program in nearly a dozen states. CAPABLE combines home repair services with a registered nurse and occupational therapy for older adults struggling with everyday activities. Research shows CAPABLE has provided more than six times the return on investment, with roughly \$3,000 in program costs per participant yielding more than \$30,000 in saved medical costs.

Housing for LGBTQ Older Adults



Since 2017, the Foundation has invested in 10 affordable housing projects that provide supportive environments with services tailored to LGBTQ older adults. A partnership with SAGE has led to almost 1,000 new units of such housing, which also provides key services, including access to health care, as well as a true sense of community and belonging.

Our Approach to Grantmaking

The Foundation supports capital projects – such as facilities, technology, and other organizational infrastructure – as well as programs and general operations. At the same time, Weinberg builds partnerships across regions and sectors to address complex challenges; ensure nonprofit and local leaders have the tools, skills, and resources to serve their community; and promote promising practices and approaches for expansion on a broader scale.

These efforts and grants primarily focus on places with ties to the lives and legacies of Harry and Jeanette Weinberg.

- Baltimore
- Hawai'i
- Israel
- Northeastern Pennsylvania

The Foundation grounds its work in the expertise and experience of community partners, recognizing their insights lead to the most effective solutions.

For more on our work in communities, visit www.hjweinberg.org/where-we-give.

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It is not upon you to finish the work,
but neither are you free to desist from it.

לא עליך המלאכה לגמור, ולא אתה בן חורין להבטל ממנה.

Pirkei Avot 2:16

