

# Local & State EC Funder Collaboratives

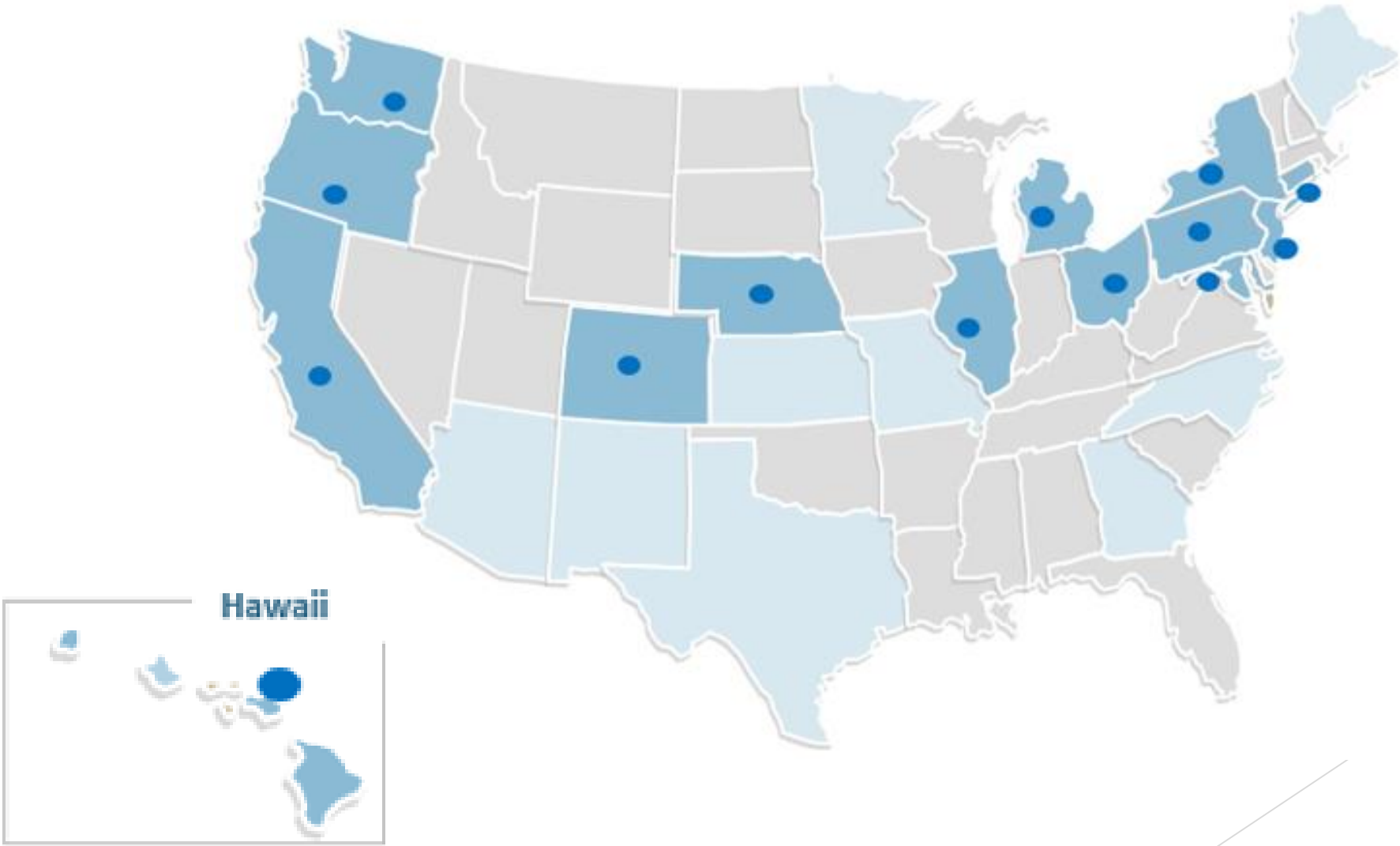
Get Acquainted Webinar  
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# Today's Sharing & Learning Agenda

- ▶ Welcome!
- ▶ About ECFC
- ▶ What We're Learning
- ▶ Getting to Know You
- ▶ Ideas for continued learning and sharing

# ECFC Member States





# Common missions & goals



- ▶ Increase the effectiveness of philanthropic investment in systemic, equity-focused approaches to early childhood.
- ▶ Promote federal, state, and local policies and practices that support young children, their families, and the early childhood community.
  - ▶ Child Care
  - ▶ EC Financing
  - ▶ Early Relational Health
  - ▶ Immigrant Children
  - ▶ Policy

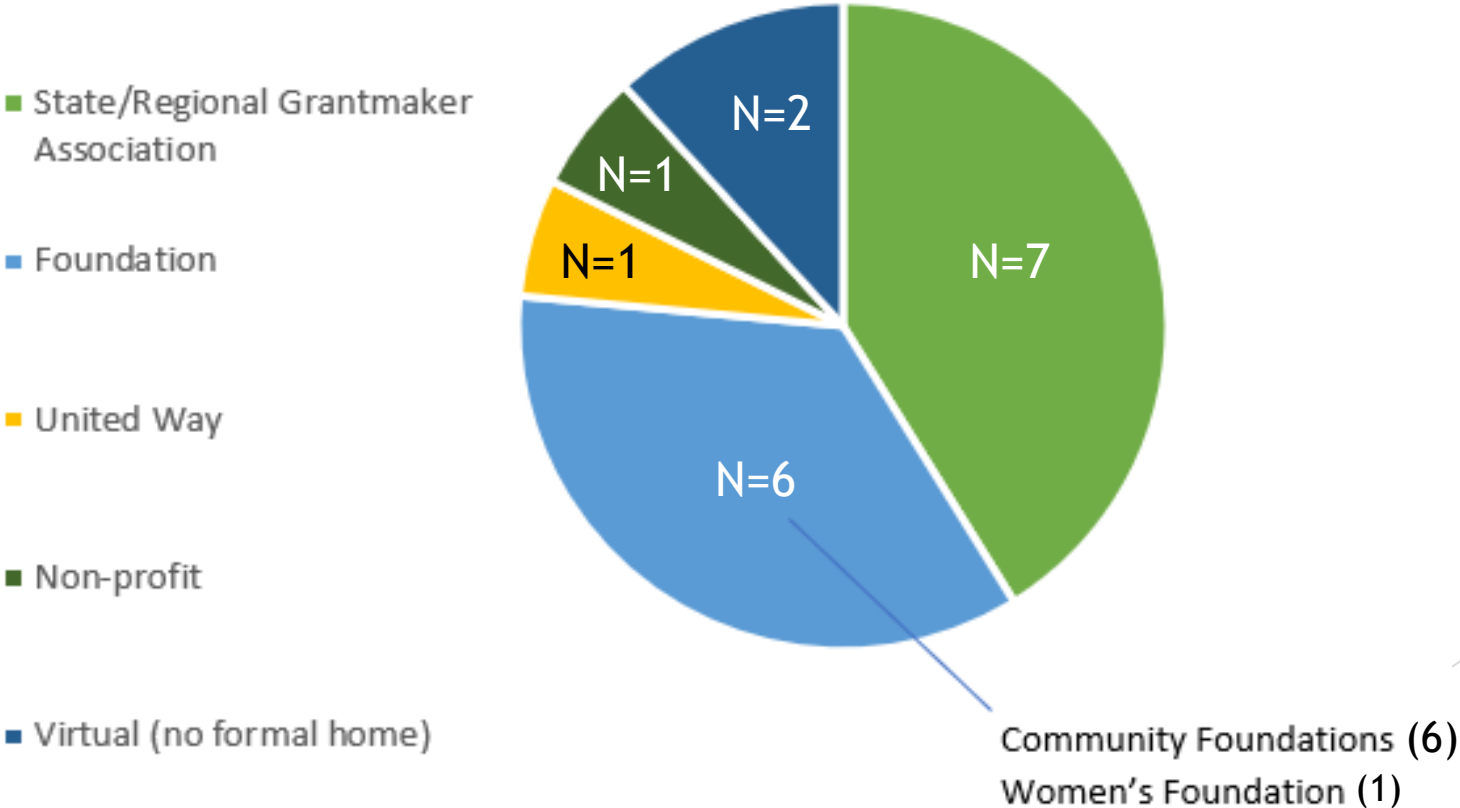
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- ▶ EC Systems
- ▶ EC education/learning and care
- ▶ Increased quality and capacity
- ▶ Invest and engage effectively
- ▶ School readiness
- ▶ Healthy social and emotional development



# Collaborative Structures (N=17)

Fiscal Sponsor or Housed At:



# Collaborative Members

## ▶ Numbers

- ▶ Range in size from 5-40 members among formal collaboratives (more among informal collaboratives housed in larger grantmaker organizations)

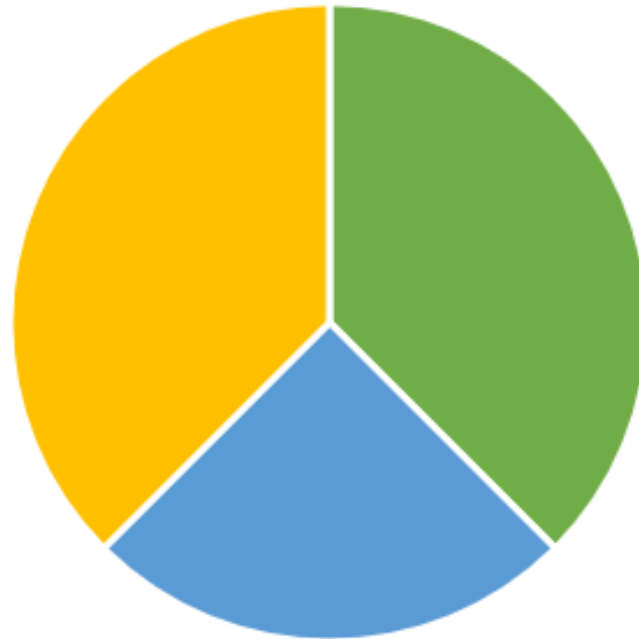
## ▶ Types of members

- ▶ Foundations - private, community, family (some local and some national)
- ▶ United Ways
- ▶ Government agencies (e.g. county agencies, Portland Children's Levy, Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis)
- ▶ Private partners, Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce
- ▶ Individual investors

# Membership Fees

## Membership Fee or Buy-In:

- No fee or buy-in for learning participation
- Voluntary (as possible to support small expenses)
- Membership fee



### Fee examples:

- Suggested \$10K buy-in to fund and oversee an early childhood-related research and advocacy project
- \$5K minimum contribution and active participation in meetings and workgroups
- Under \$25K for participation in learning, \$25K+ to be part of Steering Committee
- \$5,000 membership fee
- \$2,500 membership fee



# Pooled Funding

- ▶ Most are not, some are
- ▶ Wide range of collective investing:
  - ▶ Parenting through Pediatrics - \$7million over 3 years donor advised fund
  - ▶ DC Early Care and Education Funders Collaborative - multi-million collective investment on EC systems-change across six local jurisdictions, awarding \$350K/yr in grants
- ▶ Wide range of pooled fund buy-in:
  - ▶ \$1million per foundation
  - ▶ \$50k - \$25K - \$5K per foundation

# Things you would like to learn

- ▶ Facilitating partnerships between local and national funders
- ▶ Balancing community perspectives/demands with statewide and national interests
- ▶ Developing and balancing a learning vs. action agenda (to meet needs of individual funders as well as common agenda)
- ▶ What does and doesn't work for implementing workplans
- ▶ How to bring greater value to members through affinity group structure not just educational programming.
- ▶ Models of pooled funding
- ▶ Governance
- ▶ Operations
- ▶ Messaging
- ▶ Strategy
- ▶ Onboarding new foundations/participants
- ▶ Performance Metrics
- ▶ Common reporting templates
- ▶ Navigating policy work among collaboratives
- ▶ Sharing platforms (document sharing, project management)



# Upcoming Opportunities

## Birth to Five Preschool Development Grants, September 26th

- ▶ WEBINAR - SEPTEMBER 26<sup>TH</sup>, Co-Sponsored with the BUILD Initiative

## Census 2020: Ensuring an Accurate Count for Kids & Families, October 8th

- ▶ WEBINAR - OCTOBER 8<sup>TH</sup>, Hosted by the Children, Youth and Family Funders Roundtable

## ECFC Events @ Grantmakers for Education Conference

- ▶ ECFC and member sponsored workshops Oct 16th-18th
- ▶ “Early Math Counts” October 17<sup>th</sup> Funders Reception
- ▶ ECFC & San Diego Grantmakers Networking Lunch & Site Visit - Mi Escuelita Therapeutic Preschool



# THANK YOU!

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## Watch for:

- ▶ Upcoming Grantmaker Events
- ▶ Next Steps for the EC Funder Collaboratives Project

## Keep in touch:

- ▶ Google sharing group
- ▶ Connect with ECFC directly