

Declaration of the Future



Social Venture Partners: **Declaration of the Future**

With one voice, the Board and Staff of SVPI affirm our shared commitment to a just and equitable world—where people, places, and practices are transformed, and the promise of equity guides us all.

We Declare:

The SVP model works—and must evolve.

For more than two decades, we have witnessed the power of the SVP model to catalyze meaningful change—within nonprofits, among philanthropists, across communities, and throughout the ecosystems in which we work. Our affiliates are changing lives, influencing systems, and building trust. This model works. And now, we recommit to its promise and its potential.

We must align around a shared set of principles and expand our reach to meet this moment.

We Believe:

Alignment and growth are the twin engines of impact.

When we align around shared principles and grow our network with intention, we accelerate transformation. When we act from this belief, people and institutions will rise to fund this movement.

Alignment + Growth = Impact

This is the equation that will define our future—and drive our collective success.

We Acknowledge:

This is just the beginning.

The infrastructure we've built is essential, but foundational. The future we seek demands more: greater clarity of vision, deeper alignment in practice, and more robust resources for our shared strategy.

We must invest in the full architecture of transformation—not only to sustain our work, but to elevate it.

We Commit:

To strengthen what exists, and to build what's needed for the future.

To invest boldly and wisely in the conditions for success, including:

- → the capacity and sustainability of our affiliates and their leaders
- → global innovation and idea sharing
- → strategic growth that extends our reach and deepens our impact

We Affirm:

We will lead with ambition, not fear.

We will cast light on what's possible, rather than settling for what's comfortable.

We will move with humility—not from ego, but from service to the communities that count on us.

We will honor the boldness that founded this network by continuing to take brave steps forward.

We Resource:

We will ask for what is truly needed.

We will build what our communities truly deserve.

We will steward every investment with care, courage, and accountability.

We will rise together during this time of global urgency and local possibility.

