THE KRESGE FOUNDATION

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Kresge history and background

- Founded 1924 by Sebastian Kresge, an entrepreneur who established the S.S. Kresge five-and- 10-cent stores, which became Kmart
- The Kresge Foundation is not affiliated with Kmart
- One of the nation's first generation of philanthropic institutions



Kresge grantmaking history

- Challenge grants for bricks and mortar were the sole grantmaking tool for most of Kresge's history.
- The primary goal was to help nonprofits build their fundraising capacity.
- Grantmaking initiatives, such as the Historically Black Colleges and Universities Initiative and the Special Opportunities Initiative were also focused on fundraising capacity.







The Kresge Foundation

A \$2.8 billion private national foundation that seeks to influence the quality of life for future generations through six fields of interest:

- Health
- Environment
- Community Development
- Arts and Culture
- Education
- Human Services

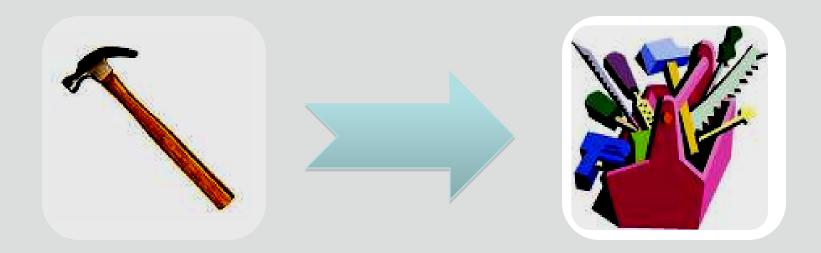
Our values criteria

- Creating opportunity
- Community impact
- Institutional transformation
- Risk
- Environmental conservation
- **Innovation**
- Collaboration
- Underserved geography
- **Diversity**



Fostering healthy environments for vulnerable populations

From one tool to many



Fostering healthy, equitable communities

Sustainable determinants of health **Environment Access Equity**

Safety-net Enhancement Initiative



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Green & Healthy Housing Initiative-

Multi-foundation partnership with HUD, DOE, EPA & CDC

Health

- -Environmental health
- --Healthy housing

Environment

- -Climate change
- ---Energy efficiency

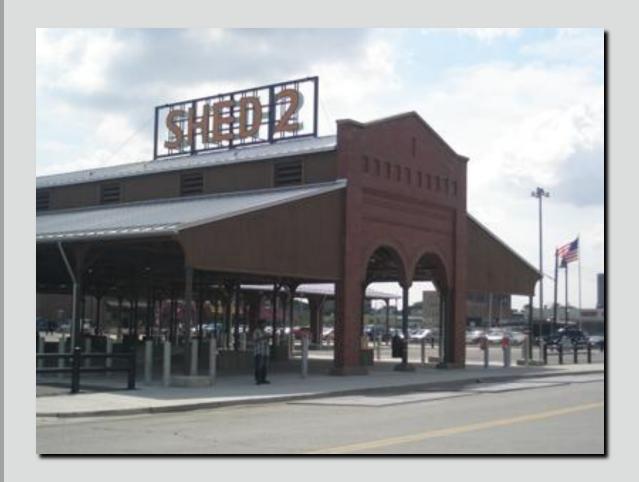
Community Development

---Affordable housing

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Green & Healthy Housing

New food initiatives: Eastern Market food hub, Detroit Fresh Food Access Initiative, Community Grocery Store Initiative



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