



BIO, AFFILIATIONS & PICTURE OPTIONS FOR JASON FRANKLIN, PHD

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Affiliation (for listing/programs)

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Jason E. Franklin, Ph.D. Founder & Principal Ktisis Capital	Jason Franklin, PhD Principal Ktisis Capital	Jason Franklin Principal Ktisis Capital

Extended Bio (437 words)

Dr. Jason Franklin is Founder & Principal of Ktisis Capital through which he serves as a strategic advisor to a mix of progressive individual donors, families, foundations, networks, and philanthropic collaboratives. He has spent over twenty years engaged in progressive philanthropy across a wide range of roles including donor advisor, scholar, grantmaker, family & independent trustee, and donor organizer. He is a leading national voice on effectively deploying financial resources to support movements for justice, building a robust philanthropic infrastructure, and designing strategies for collective giving. Building on 20+ years of philanthropic and organizing experience, his work today is focused on moving resources to racial, social, economic & environmental justice and building the skills and capacity of individuals and communities to take action. He serves as board chair of the Michigan Alliance and on Proteus Fund board and the Smithsonian’s Philanthropy Initiative Working Group. He is a co-founder and member of the Solidaire donor network and member of the Threshold Foundation, Democracy Alliance, One for Democracy, and WINGS: Worldwide Initiatives for Grantmaker Support.

He previously worked as the inaugural W.K. Kellogg Community Philanthropy Chair at the Johnson Center for Philanthropy. As holder of the nation’s first endowed chair focused on community philanthropy, he engaged in research, teaching, service, and thought leadership to explore and advance the field, nationally and internationally. Before that, he served as Executive Director of Bolder Giving, an organization that inspired people to give big & take more risks with their

philanthropy and was credited by Melinda Gates as an inspiration for the billionaire Giving Pledge. He has also worked for the 21st Century School Fund, the Rockefeller Foundation's Next Generation Leadership Network housed at NYU's Research Center for Leadership in Action, the Lower Manhattan Cultural Council, and White House Office of National AIDS Policy. An active impact investor and serial social entrepreneur, he has co-founded a range of organizations include the Solidaire Donor Network, Give OUT Day, the New York Social Justice PAC, Funding Queerly, Social Justice Funders Collaborative, Progressive Public Foundations Project, Oregon Students Supporting Education, the Multnomah Youth Commission, and IAM LLC (an urban brownfield development firm). He received his PhD in Public Administration from New York University's Robert F. Wagner Graduate School of Public Service where he also held an appointment for ten years as an award-winning adjunct professor teaching about philanthropy and social change. He has been recognized as one of the top young leaders in philanthropy by the Chronicle of Philanthropy, New York Observer, Grand Rapids Business Journal, and Advocate Magazine and for his commitment to social justice philanthropy with the New York Urban League's Ann Kheel Award and the Shirley Chisholm Light of Freedom Award from Community Voices Heard.

One Paragraph Bio (228 words)

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Short Bio (140 words)

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