

## Call for Sessions – Form Preview

2026 Annual Conference | November 11-13, 2026 | Portland, OR

### Proposal Components

Below is a preview of the Call for Sessions Form. Please fill out the form online [HERE](#).

Please tell us about your vision for the session including the topic, description, speakers, and format. These are not set in stone. Once planning gets underway, we anticipate making adjustments. Exponent Philanthropy reserves the right to edit final titles and descriptions.

### Session Submitter Information

**Name**

**Email**

**Organization City, State**

**Organization**

**Organization Type\***

- Exponent Philanthropy Member Funder
- Non-Member Funder
- Current Exponent Philanthropy Platinum, Gold, or Silver Sustaining Partners or confirmed 2025 Conference Sponsor.
- Interested in sponsoring the conference or partnering with Exponent Philanthropy. Those submitting sessions under this type will be contacted by Exponent staff to explore partnership options. Proposals will not be considered for conference inclusion unless partnership is confirmed by March 31.

\*For questions about sponsorship and eligibility to submit a session, contact Kelly Finn Stormer at [kelly@exponentphilanthropy.org](mailto:kelly@exponentphilanthropy.org).

### **Race and Ethnicity: How do you publicly self-identify?**

- Asian/Asian American/Pacific Islander
- Black/African American/African
- Hispanic/Latino/Latina/Latinx
- Native American/American Indian/ Indigenous Group
- White/Caucasian/European
- Multiracial/Multiethnic (2 or more races or ethnicities)
- Other race/ethnicity
- Decline to state
- Unknown

### Session Proposal

**Session Topic Area:** Preference will be given to topics from [our list](#).

- Catalytic Leadership – Key Skills
- Catalytic Leadership – Core Practices
- Catalytic Leadership – The Catalysts
- Fundamentals – Boards and Governance

- Fundamentals – Tax and Legal
- Fundamentals – Foundation Administration, Investment Management, and Professional Development
- Other (write in)

**Session Topic:** Note this is not a session *title*. We'd like a concise, plain-English phrase that describes the overall topic. Preference will be given to topics from [our list](#). 15 word max.

**Session Takeaways:** In 100 words or less, list what takeaways participants will be able to apply to their philanthropic work following the session.

**Session Description:**

In 200 words or less, explain the theme of your session and its major components, including plans for participant interaction.

**Likely Session Formats (check all that apply)**

- Presentation
- Moderated panel (max. # panelists: 3)
- Group discussion
- Conversations in pairs or triads
- Worksheet or exercise
- Case example & discussion

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**Target Audience: Roles (check all that apply)**

Who would find your session valuable?

- Trustee/Board Member/Director/Officer
- Donor/Founder
- Family Member
- Paid CEO/ED/Top Administrator
- Staff other than CEO/ED

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**Target Audience: Foundation Types (check all that apply)**

Who would find your session valuable?

- Family Foundations
- Independent Foundations
- Community Foundations
- Individual Givers
- Corporate Giving
- DAF-holders

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**Proposed Presenters/Speakers (check all that apply – 3 maximum speakers per session)** \*Note that Exponent Philanthropy reserves the right to approve consultant and advisor speakers to ensure they comply with our speaker and non-solicitation policies.

- Funder

- Nonprofit/Grantee
- Financial/Legal Professional
- Consultant\*
- Other

**Race and Ethnicity of Primary Speaker(s): How do they publicly self-identify? (Check all that apply for multiple speakers.)**

- Asian/Asian American/Pacific Islander
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**This material has been presented elsewhere: Y / N**

If yes, when: \_\_\_\_\_ Where: \_\_\_\_\_

**We may receive more than one proposal on a particular topic. Would you be willing to collaborate with other submitters who proposed similar ideas? Y / N**

**By submitting this proposal, I confirm that I've read [the terms of session submission](#).**

Y / N

Thank you for submitting a session proposal! We will notify all those who've submitted sessions with decisions in early May. Please contact Heather Ukryn, Manager, Programs if you have any questions: [heather@exponentphilanthropy.org](mailto:heather@exponentphilanthropy.org).

Thank you for your interest!  
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