

Educational Resources: ACE Act and Philanthropy Reform

Independent Sector is working to put together a list of resources and educational content on the ACE Act and, more broadly, philanthropy reform. This effort is part of our efforts to foster understanding of the issues across the sector in order to drive action, such as best practices, standard-setting, and public policy. This list represents our initial attempt in aggregating resources that provide balanced viewpoints and include data-driven content. We plan to update this list regularly as we engage with the sector and discover new resources.

Updated: October 14, 2021

Resources are listed in alphabetical order by author.

- [Giving Following a Crisis: An Historical Analysis](#). Brown, M. S. & Rooney, P.M., Lilly Family School of Philanthropy, 2010
- [Increasing Attention to How Much and Where Money Flows — or Doesn't](#), Behrens, T. & Layton, M., Dorothy A. Johnson Center for Philanthropy, 2021
- [Requiring Foundations to Give a Bigger Share of Their Assets Won't Alleviate Inequities and May Entrench Them Further](#), Caldwell, K., The Chronicle of Philanthropy, 2021
- [Understanding Donor-Advised Funds: How Grants Flow During Recessions](#), Heist, H.D. & Vance-McMullen, A., Nonprofit and Voluntary Sector Quarterly, 2019
- [Understanding the Donor-Advised Fund Giving Process: Insights from Current DAF Users](#), Heist, H. et al., Nonprofit and Voluntary Sector Quarterly, 2021
- [Are Donor-Advised Funds Good for the Nonprofit Sector?](#) Hemel, D., Bankman, J. & Brest, P., The Exempt Organization Review, 2021
- [Community Diversity and Donor Control: An Empirical Analysis of Contributions to Donor-Advised Funds at Community Foundations](#), Heng, Q. & Paarlberg, L., Lilly Family School of Philanthropy, 2021
- [The Sensitivity of Charitable Giving to the Timing and Salience of Tax Credits](#), Hickey, R., Minaker, B., & Payne, A.A., National Tax Journal, 2019
- [Appreciation in Donor-Advised Funds: An Analysis of Major Sponsors](#), Husock, H., Philanthropy Roundtable, 2021
- [Accelerating Charitable Efforts \(ACE\) Act: Summary and Key Context](#), Independent Sector, 2021
- [Trust in Civil Society: Understanding the Factors Driving Trust in Nonprofits and Philanthropy](#), Independent Sector, 2021
- [Balancing Purpose, Payout, and Permanence: Strategy Guide](#), National Center for Family Philanthropy & Council on Foundations, 2020
- [Everyday Donors of Color: Diverse Philanthropy During Times of Change](#), Osili, U. et al., Lilly Family School of Philanthropy, 2021
- [Charitable Giving and Tax Incentives](#), Osili, U., Rooney, P., & Zarins, S., Lilly Family School of Philanthropy, 2019
- [Nonprofits and Donor-Advised Funds: Perceptions and Potential Impacts](#), Osili et al., Lilly Family School of Philanthropy, 2020

- [Race and the Public Foundation Grants Marketplace: the Differential Effect of Network Status in Communities of Color](#), Paarlberg, L., McGinnis Johnson, J., & Hannibal, B., Public Management Review, 2019
- [The Politics of Donations: Are Red Counties More Donative Than Blue Counties?](#), Paarlberg, L. et al., Nonprofit and Voluntary Sector Quarterly, 2018
- [What happens to charitable giving when the economy falters?](#), Patrick Rooney & Jon Bergdoll, The Conversation, 2020
- [Administrative Growth and Grant Payouts in Nonprofit Foundations: Fulfilling the Public Good amid Professionalization?](#), Stewart, A. J., & Faulk, L., Public Administration Review, 2014
- [Did the Tax Overhaul Create a Spike in Donor-Advised Funds? Well, It's Complicated...](#), Patrick M. Rooney, Nonprofit Quarterly, 2018
- [Have Donor-Advised Funds and Other Philanthropic Innovations Changed the Flow of Giving in the United States?](#), Patrick M. Rooney, Nonprofit Quarterly, 2017
- [The Growth in Total Household Giving Is Camouflaging a Decline in Giving by Small and Medium Donors: What Can We Do about It?](#), Patrick M. Rooney, Nonprofit Quarterly, 2019
- [Where Have All the Donors Gone? The Continued Decline of the Small Donor and the Growth of Megadonors](#), Patrick M. Rooney, Nonprofit Quarterly, 2019
- [Tax Policy and Charitable Giving Results](#), Rooney, P. et al., Lilly Family School of Philanthropy, 2017
- [What We Talk about when We Talk about Democratizing Philanthropy](#), Benjamin Soskis, The Urban Institute, 2017
- [Up for Debate Series: Should Foundations Increase Their Payouts During Big Crises?](#), Various Authors, Stanford Social Innovation Review, 2021
- [Foundation Expenses & Compensation: How Operating Characteristics Influence Spending](#), The Urban Institute, Foundation Center & GuideStar, 2006
- [What Drives Foundation Expenses & Compensation? Results of a Three-Year Study](#), The Urban Institute, Foundation Center & GuideStar, 2008
- [Analysis of Donor Advised Funds from a Community Foundation Perspective](#), Williams, J. & Kienker, B., Council of Michigan Foundations, 2021