

# A data strategy for BC's nonprofit sector

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# Agenda

- 2:30pm Welcome and introductions
- 2:40pm What data are we talking about?
- 2:50pm Examples of current activities by attendees
- 3:35pm Group discussions
  - » What data does your organization have? use? seek?
  - » Opportunities and reservations
  - » What would need to be true in order for a data strategy to be an important step for BC's nonprofit sector?
- 4:05pm Conclusion
  - » What do you think?
  - » Concluding statements

# What data?

## Issues



Baseline social/ environmental indicator data and information on the breadth, depth, addressability, and drivers of issues, including beneficiary needs

## Interventions



The goals, strategies, and programs for addressing social/ environmental issues, and data, research and feedback on their outcomes and “what works”

## Organizations



The goals, strategies, activities, operations, and finances of organizations, their effectiveness, and their impact

## Resources



Details of the grants, donations, investments, volunteer time, and other human capital that support interventions and organizations

Source: Markets for Good: Upgrading the Information Infrastructure for Social Change , p. 7

<http://www.marketsforgood.org/markets-for-good-upgrading-the-infrastructure-for-social-change-2/>

Opportunity to share

# **EXAMPLES OF CURRENT ACTIVITIES**

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# ONTARIO'S PATH

# What data do we have? use? seek?

- Data sets, lists, stats, locations, compilations of information
- Within your organization OR
  - your nonprofit partners
  - grantees/funders
  - constituents/stakeholders
  - the nonprofit sector
  - governments

- We would plan our programs more effectively if we knew X
- We would have more impact if we worked with other funders who were interested in X
- We could expand our work if we knew who did X
- We would have more impact if we knew X
- We could communicate our impact better if we knew X
- We could do our work faster if we knew X
- We could advocate better if we knew X
- We could collaborate better if we knew who did X

# Opportunities and reservations

	STRATEGIC APPROACH TO DATA	NO STRATEGIC APPROACH
BEST POSSIBLE CASE		
WORST POSSIBLE CASE		



**What would need to be true in order for a data strategy to be an important step for the BC nonprofit sector?**

# Conclusion

- What do you think?
- Concluding statements

Summary of today's meeting distributed next week