

# UNIVERSITY IMPACT

# **Donor Advised Funds and Impact Investing Webinar**

#### Agenda

What is a DAF and how does it work?

Who are the major DAF players and why you should care

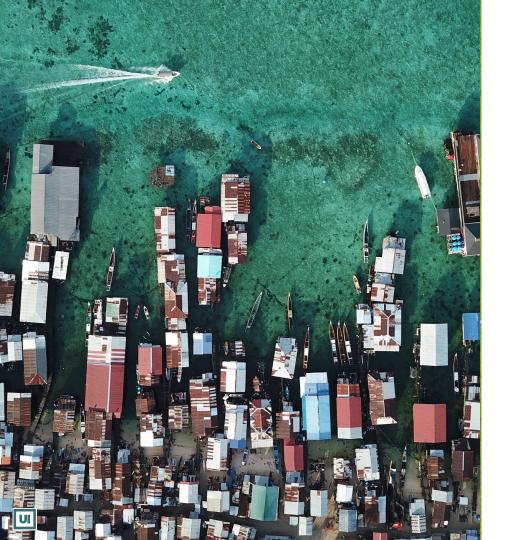
Is impact investing and ESG the same thing?

What is impact investing and how does it relate to DAFs?

#### **Learning Objectives**

1. *Recognize* when a DAF can be used beneficially and *identify* what to consider as an appropriate DAF host

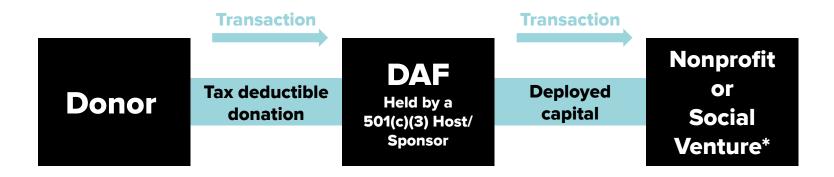
- 2. *Explain* how a DAF can solve social problems
- 3. Compare and contrast the benefits of various DAF hosts



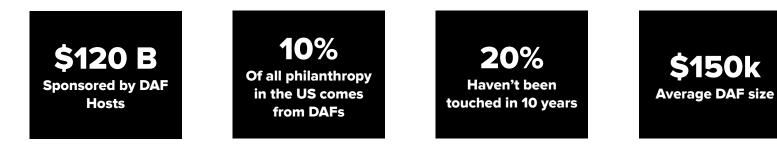
# **Donor Advised Funds**

#### **Donor Advised Funds allow for future giving**

A DAF is a charitable giving account established for future giving, while receiving a tax deduction immediately upon contribution to a DAF sponsor.



#### DAFs are increasing in popularity but aren't being fully utilized





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## **DAF** vs a Private Foundation

	DAF	Private Foundation		
Fees & Setup	- Low administration fees and startup costs - Min. contribution = \$5,000	- High administrations fees and startup costs - Min. contribution \$1M + legal costs		
Causes to support	<ul> <li>Cannot make grants to individuals</li> <li>Allows grants to 501(c)(3)</li> <li>Allows grants to international nonprofits</li> <li>Allows grants to for-profit entities for charitable purposes with certain procedures</li> <li>Grants to individuals</li> <li>Allows grants to 501(c)(3)</li> <li>Allows grants to for-profit entities for charitable purposes with certain procedures</li> </ul>			
Tax benefits	<ul> <li>- Up to 60% AGI tax deductibility (cash)</li> <li>- Up to 30% AGI tax deductibility (public securities)</li> <li>- All securities deducted at Fair Market Value</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>- Up to 30% AGI tax deductibility (cash)</li> <li>- Up to 20% AGI tax deductibility (public securities)</li> <li>- non-public securities deducted at the Cost Basis (no appreciation)</li> </ul>		
Succession plan	- Can name individuals, businesses, or charities as successor advisors for the DAF	- Successors and officers confirmed only by vote of the board		
Distributions	- No required distributions	- IRS requires 5% distributions assets per year		
Anonymity	- Anonymous contributions possible	- All contributions are made public		

#### Limitations on using a DAF

Restrictions for how funds in a DAF are used to ensure integrity of the social impact

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#### Limits of DAF transactions:

- Must hold less than 20% ownership interest (voting stock)
- May not invest in businesses with ownership interests of disqualified persons:
  - DAF managers (including trustees, directors, officers)
  - Substantial contributors to DAF
  - Family members
- Cannot participate in self-dealing; a transaction with disqualified person
- Cannot make grants to individuals, i.e. a direct individual scholarship
- Donors may not receive personal benefit from transaction

# DAFs provide tax benefit for 60% of adjusted gross income (AG) up to five years

Cash contributions to DAFs qualify for a tax deduction up to 60% of Adjusted Gross Income (AGI)

Example:

- Donor with AGI of \$100,000
- Donor contributes \$80,000 cash to a DAF
- \$60,000 is the max deduction the donor can take in this year, reducing AGI to \$40,000
   (60% \* 100,000 = 60,000)

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• \$20,000 can be carried forward following years (up to 5 years) for deduction

### **DAFs** provide additional tax benefits for charitable bunching

Example of charitable bunching assuming \$20,000 donations per year, 24% marginal tax bracket\*

**Standard Deduction** YEAR 1 Standard deduction\*\* = \$24.800 YFAR 2 Standard deduction<sup>\*</sup> = \$24.800 Total = \$49,600

# Bunching

YEAR 1 2 years donations (in DAF) = 40,000YEAR 2 Standard deduction\* = \$24,800 Total = \$64,800

### \$64,800 - \$49,600 = \$15,200 (saved by bunching) x 24% (tax rate) = \$3,648 Tax Savings

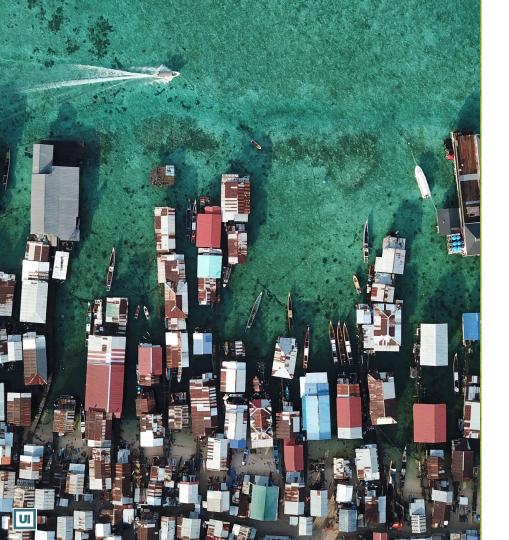
\*Example does not consider effects of other kinds of deductions, i.e. state taxes, mortgage interest \*\*Assuming married filing joint

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#### When to use a DAF

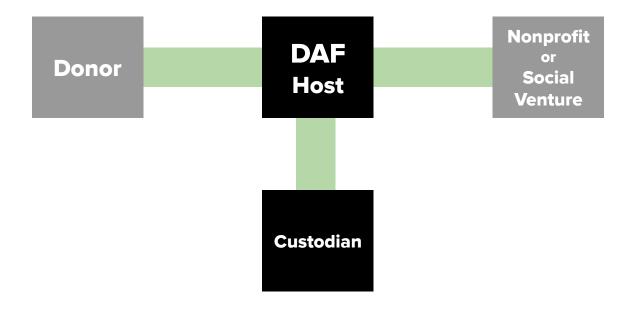
Donor Advised Funds are not for everyone, but there are many people that could benefit from a DAF that are currently not taking advantage of the opportunity

- Liquidity event (selling business, appreciated stock)
- Unexpected income (bonus, inheritance, etc.)
- Charitable bunching (popular with new tax code)
- Passionate about solving social problems
- Currently making donations to multiple charities (simplifies giving)
- Generational giving younger generations are focused on making impact

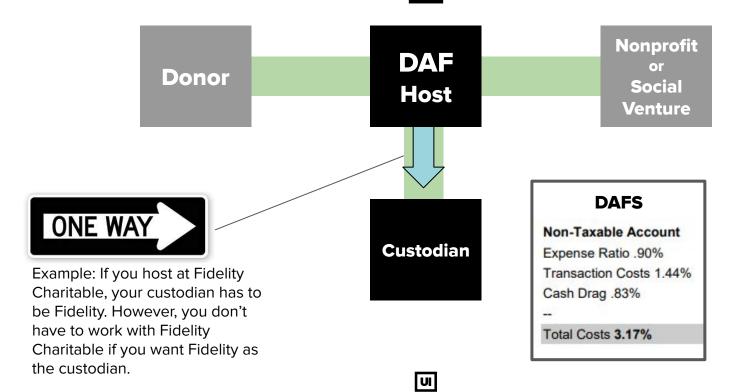


# Key Players in the DAF Industry

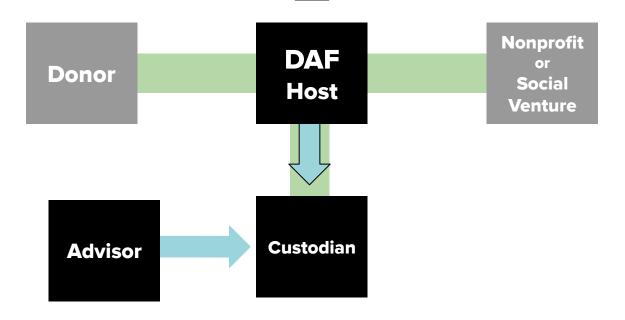
### DAF sponsors (hosts) manage flow of DAFs, while the assets remain at a custodian



# Some DAF hosts, require a specific custodian, which can lead to a lack of fee transparency



#### Decoupling between the DAF host and custodian is typically done by an advisor



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### Some Considerations of a DAF Host

"Giving Options" refer to organizations that DAF Host allows donors to contribute to, many have restrictions on acceptable contributions, such as impact investments.

	Grants to domestic nonprofit organizations	
Civing Ontions	Grants to foreign nonprofit organizations	
Giving Options	Investments in domestic private companies (social ventures)	
	Investments in foreign private companies (social ventures)	
	Ease of use (online portal, time to deploy capital)	
User Experience	Opportunities to use DAF - (does the Host find opportunities?)	

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#### Some Considerations of a DAF Host

"Custody Options" refer to what type of donations are accepted, who the DAF host allows to be the custodian of the assets, and the associated fee

	Accepted assets (cash, stock, real estate, restricted stock)	
Custody Options	Custodian options (some allow donors' advisor to choose custodian)	
	Investment fee (charged for holding assets before deployed), expense ratios, transaction costs	
	Minimum starting contribution	
Setup & Maintenance	Required follow-on contributions	
	Administration fee (charged by Host for administrative costs)	

# **Comparing Types DAF Hosts**

	Whole Service	Commercial Fund Provider	Community Foundation	Single Issue
Example Organization	UNIVERSITY IMPACT	<b>≰ FIDELITY</b> Charitable <sup>™</sup>	CSILICON VALLEY community foundation®	JEWISH NATIONAL FUND
Online Portal	<b>e</b>	<b>S</b>	<b></b>	<b>e</b>
Grants to 501c3 Organizations (Domestic)	<b>S</b>	<b>v</b>	<b></b>	<b>O</b>
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Grants to NGOs (Foreign)	<b>v</b>	$\bigotimes$	$\mathbf{x}$	<b>O</b>
Investments to Private Companies (Foreign)	<b>e</b>	8	8	<b>e</b>
Personalized Impact Report	<b>O</b>	8	8	8

# **Problems In DAF Market**

Although DAFs are one of the best ways to get involved in solving social problems, 3 major challenges exist:



Donors' giving is generally limited to domestic nonprofits



Donors must find their own opportunities for giving within their areas of interest



Most DAF hosts don't perform due diligence on opportunities



## **Solutions In DAF Market**

To maximize for social impact, we recommend finding a DAF host that:



Allows domestic and foreign giving & impact investments

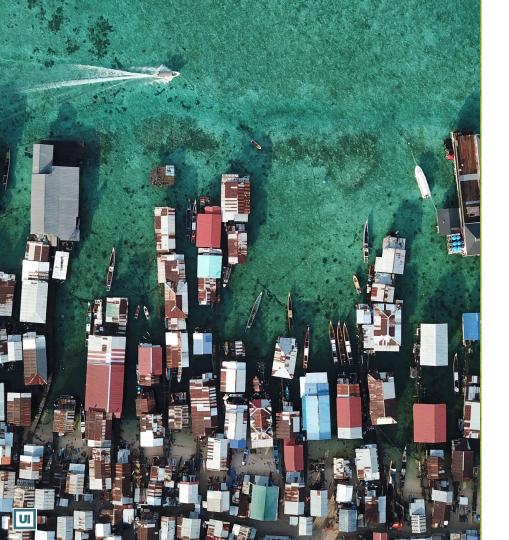


Proactively sources opportunities based on donors' impact preferences



Performs impact and financial due diligence & tracks performance of grants/investments





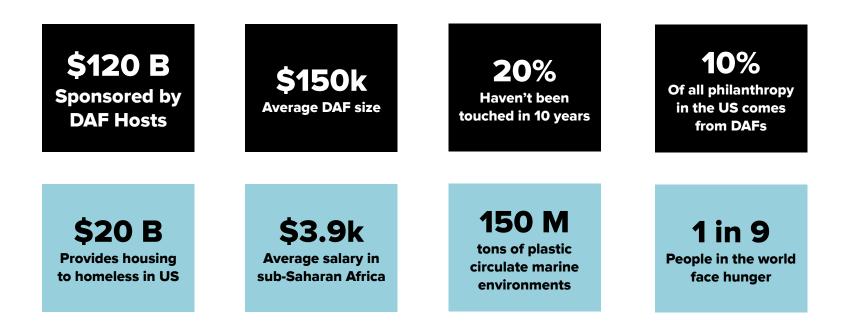
# Impact Investing

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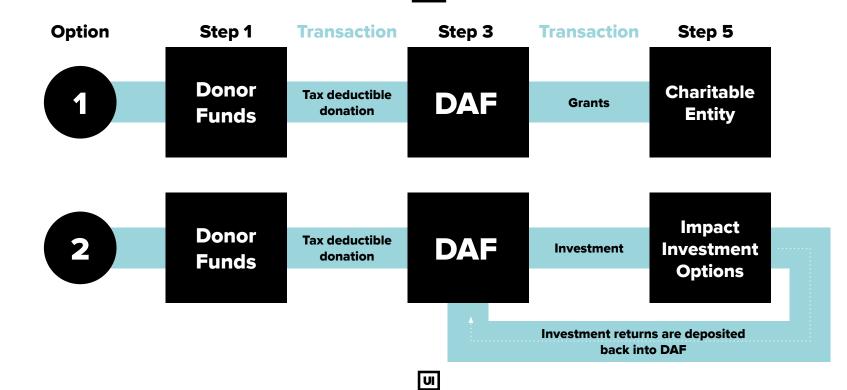
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Summary

# DAFs are increasing in popularity, but aren't being fully utilized to address social problems



## Returns from Impact Investments through A DAF are recycled back into the DAF



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# Impact investing is different than SRI and ESG investing

Impact investing focuses on investing to solve a problem, whereas SRI and ESG investing are negative screening things to avoid

Socially Responsible Investing (SRI)	Actively eliminates or selects investments according to specific ethical guidelines. SRI uses ethical factors to apply negative or positive screens on the investments.	
Environmental, Social, Governance (ESG)	Environmental, social, and governance practices of a firm that may affect investment performance. The main objective of ESG valuation remains financial performance.	
Impact Investing	Investing in companies with products and services that can generate measurable, beneficial, social or environmental impact, alongside financial return. Impact investments seek to solve or address an existing social problem.	

# Impact Investors commonly align their focus with the UN's Sustainable Development Goals

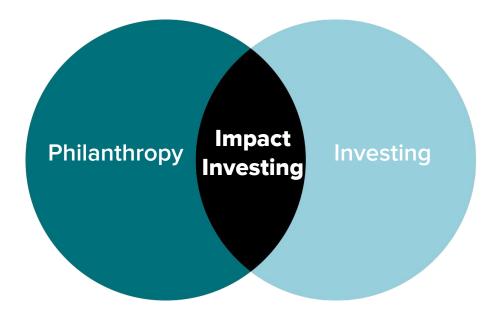
Investments in companies with business models that solve a social problem, generating social impact and financial returns



University Impact uses the 17 United Nations Sustainable Development Goals as targets for impact.

These goals were created by the UN to focus efforts towards solving the most pressing social problems afflicting people around the world.

# Impact Investing Is At The Crossroads Between Traditional Investing And Philanthropy



# Philanthropy

Where is the focus? Giving money to charities and people in need

Fun Fact: Charities that received donations from more than 1,000 DAF accounts:

- American Heart Association
- Harvard University
- National Multiple Sclerosis Society
- Pan-Mass Challenge
- U.S. Fund for UNICEF
- Oxfam America
- Dana-Farber Cancer Institute
- American National Red Cross

- Wounded Warrior Project
- Habitat for Humanity
- St. Jude Children's Research Hospital
- The Nature Conservancy
- American Cancer Society
- Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints

Philanthropy



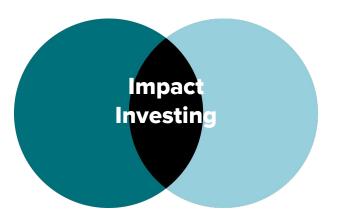
### **Traditional Investing**

#### Where is the focus?

- Investing is driven by receiving a financial return
- Business model is evaluated on efficiency and scalability of business



#### Impact Investing combines the best of philanthropy and investing



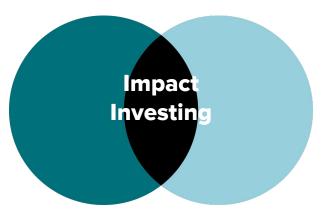
#### Where is the focus?

- <u>Philanthropy:</u> Solving environmental problems, helping underserved communities and individuals, and progressing the economies of developing countries
- <u>Investing</u>: Sustainable solutions are emphasized through impact investing
  - Providing loans, commonly at reasonable rates
  - Providing equity in companies solving social problems



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## Impact Investing has a strong focus on measuring outputs, outcomes, and impact



#### Where is the focus?

Theory of Change is evaluated

- **Outputs:** These are the activities done by the nonprofit
- **Outcomes:** These are the observed effects of the outputs on the beneficiaries of the nonprofit
- Impact: This is the degree to which the outcomes observed by a nonprofit are attributable to its activities

#### **Example: Soup Kitchen**



#### **Theory of Change**

• Providing free meals will decrease hunger in a community

#### Soup Kitchen

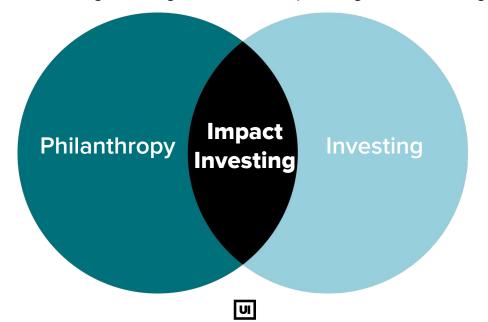
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- Outputs: The meals served by a soup kitchen
- Outcomes: The degree to which the meals served by the soup kitchen reduce hunger in the population served by the soup kitchen
- Impact: The impact of the soup kitchen is the degree to which a reduction of hunger in the population they serve is attributable to its efforts.

The reduction in hunger might simply be attributable to an improving economy, or some other activities that are not part of the soup kitchen's efforts.

# Impact Investing Is At The Crossroads Between Traditional Investing And Philanthropy

Impact investments are made with the intention to generate positive social and environmental impact, alongside a financial return. Impact investments can be made in both emerging and developed markets and target a range of returns depending on investors' goals.



#### Foreign Impact Investment Example

# Vindhya (India)

Vindyha is a business process outsourcing company that hires people with disabilities

**30%** Year over year profit growth

> **1800** Employees

**70%** From disadvantaged communities







Will accelerate growth rate and profitability

#### **Domestic Impact Investment Example**

#### **Impact Vision**

ImpactVision uses hyperspectral imaging software to monitor attributes of food quality to prevent food waste



#### In summary

There are many people that could benefit from a Donor Advised Fund that are currently *not* taking advantage of the opportunity

#### **Learning Objective**

1) *Recognize* when a DAF can be used beneficially and *identify* what to consider as an appropriate DAF host

- DAFs can be used to solve social and environmental problems, making contributions to a non profit or social venture while receiving an immediate tax deduction.
- It is important to recognize fees associated with a DAF and what types of contributions are offered

#### In summary

There are many people that could benefit from a Donor Advised Fund that are currently *not* taking advantage of the opportunity

#### **Learning Objective**

#### 2) Compare and contrast the benefits of various DAF hosts

- Depending on the donor's preferences, some hosts may be a better fit than others based
- Consider: fees, minimums, accepted assets, custody options, ease of use
- The ability to maximize impact

#### In summary

There are many people that could benefit from a Donor Advised Fund that are currently *not* taking advantage of the opportunity

#### **Learning Objective**

3) Explain how a DAF can solve social problems

- DAFs can be used to make grants to nonprofits or investments to social ventures, all of which are seeking to solve social problems.
- DAFs can help these organizations receive needed capital when access is limited

# Thank you

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