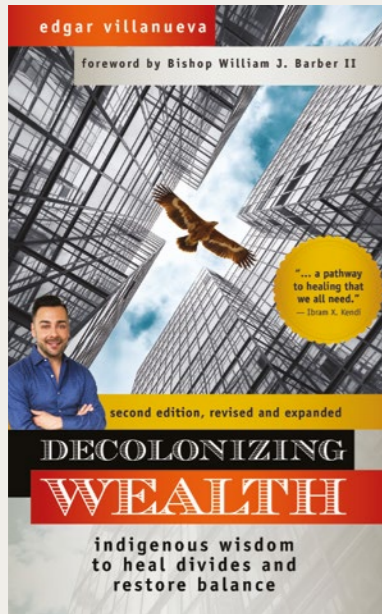




**Decolonizing
Wealth Project**

**THE
FIRST
FIVE
YEARS**

Reparative Philanthropy



In 2018, the groundbreaking book, *Decolonizing Wealth*, was published and sparked a powerful reckoning that has launched a global movement for reparative philanthropy, which is defined by Decolonizing Wealth Project (DWP) as:

The redistribution of resources in a manner that acknowledges the extractive origins of philanthropic wealth (family or institutional) and how colonization, slavery and the forms of oppression facilitated the accumulation of wealth that philanthropy protects, grows and distributes; and seeks to foster reconciliation, repair collective healing through acts of giving.

(from DWP’s Reparative Philanthropy Framework)

Reparative Philanthropy in Action



Catalyzed a global movement within the philanthropic sector to explore the origins of its wealth and to support community-led movements for truth, healing and reparations.



Influenced more than **\$600,000,000** for racial justice through direct donor engagement using our reparative philanthropy workshops and programs.



Inspired the launch of new community-led funds utilizing decolonized funding practices such as the Indigenous Giving Circle (Australia) and the Black Future Co-Op Fund (Seattle). Galvanized shifts in funding practices at major institutions such as Ford Foundation, MacArthur Foundation & The Bush Foundation.

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Edgar’s book and the ensuing movement represent an important call for truth, reconciliation, and healing to communities most affected by the legacy of colonization that all people stand to benefit from—and should take seriously. In the coming years, I’m hopeful that the community will grow and include more and more people who imagine a more just, inclusive, and equitable future for all in the United States and across the world.”

John Palfrey
John D. and Catherine T.
MacArthur Foundation

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We see DWP as a trusted ally in this work and the book gave the field shared analysis and language to talk about reparative action and healing. It also challenged us all to think about how we might move greater resources to Native communities.”

Dana Arviso
Common Counsel Foundation

Liberated Capital

Launched in 2019, **Liberated Capital** is a 625+ member donor community and funding vehicle that moves untethered resources to Black, Indigenous, and other people of color for liberation. We welcome individuals at all levels of giving who are committed to collectively healing the wounds of colonialism and white supremacy by using money as medicine to shape an equitable future. To learn more, visit bit.ly/joinliberatedcapital.

278+ orgs and 2,100 families

supported via the 6 Liberated Capital funds.

over \$15 million

redistributed by Liberated Capital since its inception, addressing climate change and conservation, food and agriculture justice, COVID-19 pandemic relief; and truth, healing, and reparations.



Our historic Alight, Align, Arise National Conference on Repair in June 2023 brought together a diverse spectrum of leaders from philanthropy, media, community, and policy-making, spotlighting an unprecedented prominence and dialogue on repair and healing.

\$20 million

was announced as a campaign goal at the conference, making our #Case4Reparations Fund the largest contemporary fundraising campaign dedicated to reparations for Black people in America.

Liberated Capital fund growth*

*by the end of 2023

\$6,700,000

#Case4Reparations Fund

\$3,100,000

Indigenous Earth Fund

\$2,100,000

Native American COVID Relief Fund

\$2,000,000

Food & Land Justice Fund

\$1,000,000

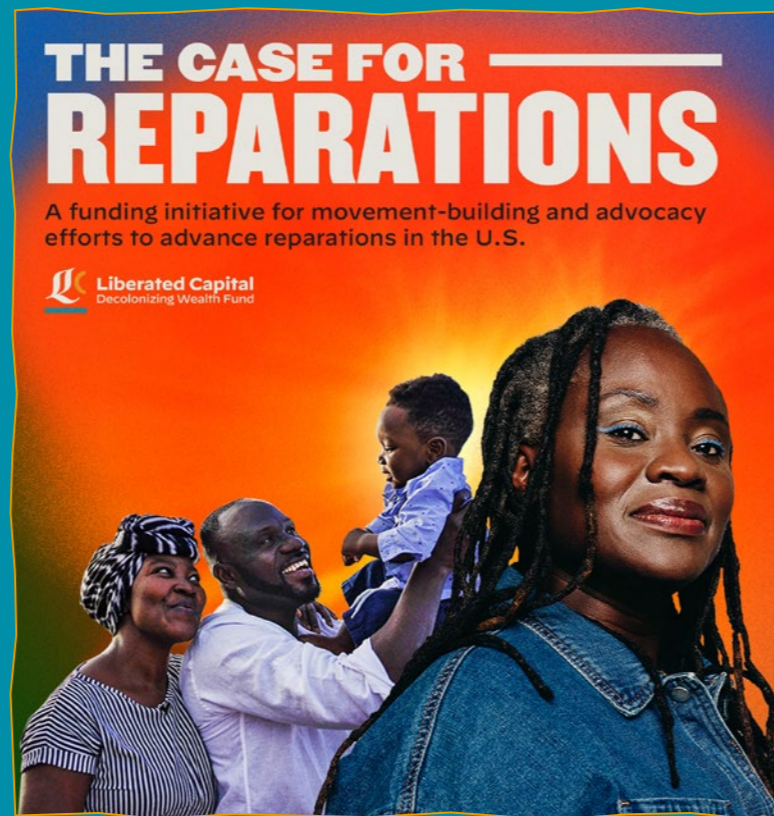
California Truth and Healing Fund

\$17,000

Indigenous Circle of Giving

In Development

National Truth and Healing Fund



Healing

~300 donors and community leaders

engaged in healing summits and programs. These engagements provide access to resources, tools, and spaces designed to facilitate personal and organizational transformation that promotes repair.

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Decolonizing Wealth Project has been an electric call to action for me and so many in the field. It has called us to scrutinize how wealth is created, how it disadvantages and divides us and how it can be used as medicine.”

Crystal Hayling
Libra Foundation

Narrative Change

We leverage the power of our storytelling traditions to bring visibility and change to issues impacting BIPOC communities through digital projects, media engagement, and strategic partnerships.

Since 2019, Decolonizing Wealth Project (DWP) has cast a global wave of influence, with a reach of over a billion people through robust social media engagement, press coverage, and transformative speaking engagements.

60,000+ book sales

In the summer of 2023 alone, our narrative change efforts to advance the movement for reparations for Black people in America garnered:

1.2 billion media impressions and 307 media hits

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Decolonizing Wealth Project’s work and perspective is an invaluable resource for the entertainment industry and can only increase our collective ability to prioritize diversity and inclusivity in everything that we do.”

Amanda Chen
Participant



Photo by Carol Lee Rose/Getty Images for Decolonizing Wealth Project

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I would say it’s impacted me more than any single other thing I’ve read about the intersection between race, racism, colonization, and philanthropy. The way that Edgar in those opening chapters, was able to characterize the degrading experience of being the supplicant, and having run a grantee organization for 20 years, I could feel that in my bones. But he also helped you feel how there are multiple, multiple, multiple exclusions that happen, colonizations that happen.”

Hillary Pennington
Ford Foundation

Beyond Philanthropy

DWP's efforts to advance truth and healing have influenced spaces and places beyond philanthropy, reaching sectors like corporate, entertainment, and higher education.

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Continuing to go into the places where our most radical movements or even radical imaginations have yet not been, breaking open doors and creating bridges, I think is one of the many things that DWP does really beautifully.”

Tynesha McHarris
Black Feminist Fund

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As hundreds and thousands of people from around the world looked to Stanford for guidance on best practices, I was so grateful to frequently reference DWP's work, Liberated Capital giving model, and events as best practices and powerful trends in the sector that any thoughtful donor or socimpact investor should be paying close attention to.”

Heather Newberry Lord
Stanford Center on Philanthropy
and Civil Society



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Decolonizing Wealth Project was the springboard framework that we have used to frame our reconciliation and decolonization work.”

Carleen Pickard
Lush Cosmetics



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