THE NONPROFIT SUSTAINABILITY INITIATIVE (NSI) FOSTERS LONG-TERM PARTNERSHIPS FOR NONPROFITS INTERESTED IN EXPLORING STRATEGIC RESTRUCTURING TO CREATE SUSTAINABLE IMPACT. THE NSI IS A FUNDING COLLABORATIVE OF 20 FOUNDATIONS THAT HELPS NONPROFITS ACHIEVE THEIR MISSION BY PROVIDING STABILITY IN A FUNDING ENVIRONMENT CONSTANTLY INFLUENCED BY CHANGING POLICY AND PRIORITIES.

THE GOAL OF THE NSI IS TO NORMALIZE STRATEGIC RESTRUCTURING BY ESTABLISHING AN ENVIRONMENT WHERE SERVICE PROVIDERS, FUNDERS AND CONSULTANTS UNDERSTAND AND REGULARLY ENGAGE IN THE ACTIVITY AS A STRATEGY FOR ENHANCING IMPACT AND SUSTAINABILITY.

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WHAT IS STRATEGIC RESTRUCTURING?

Strategic Restructuring (SR) can result in a spectrum of formal, long-term partnerships, that lead to greater organizational effectiveness and efficiency. These partnerships can range from jointly managed programs, shared administrative services and joint programming, to mergers and acquisitions.

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KEY EVALUATION FINDINGS

- Consultant brings structure, time-frame, expertise, and objectivity; critical to the process
- Regardless of outcome, SR process considered educational and valuable
- 100% of grantees believe their SR agreement will result in improved organizational impact
- Going through SR process builds experience and knowledge for future partnership opportunities
- Key success factors include: time to devote to process, internal clarity, honest upfront conversations, trust, positive previous working experience, compatible cultures and mission, and clear understanding of SR process and "deliverables"
- NSI's role has been as a catalyst or "accelerator" of SR discussions
- SR process provides many unanticipated grantee benefits, including relationship development and increased strategic thinking

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