

# INSPIRED LEGACIES PRESENTS

*a teleconference donor briefing on*

## THE SEASONS FUND FOR SOCIAL TRANSFORMATION

The Seasons Fund For Social Transformation invests in opportunities to couple the expansive power of personal transformation with the public work of repairing societal ills in the United States.

The Fund, a collaborative effort led by several private foundations, springs from a shared belief that cultivating a rich inner life is both a worthy end in itself and an overlooked pathway to heightening the impact, effectiveness, and sustainability of social change initiatives. Together, we aim to raise at least \$5 million to support those working for social, economic, and environmental justice to embrace a range of contemplative practices that can deepen their capacity to lead. \$3 million has been raised by 10 funder partners including family foundations, and key funding from The Fetzer Institute, Hidden Leaf Foundation, The Ford Foundation, Seeds of Justice Fund, The Kellogg Foundation, Angell Foundation, The Unitarian Universalist Veatch Program, The Katz Family Foundation, Jewish Funds for Justice, and the Arcus Foundation

- Hear from funders and grantees about the founding and vision of this 3 year old fund.
- Learn about its grants of nearly \$1.5 million to date, and the strengths and challenges of this field of funding.
- Join us in considering how to meet a \$1 million match from the Ford Foundation to engage new funders in this partnership.
- Consider your own principles and ways you engage your grantees as you fund and lead this year.

*"Without a revolution of the spirit, the forces which produced the iniquities of the old order would continue to be operative, posing a constant threat to the process of reform and regeneration."*

— Aung San Suu Kyi

## SEASONS PRINCIPLES:

- *Recognizing our interdependence*
- *Engaging in shared learning and reflection*
- *Cultivating an atmosphere of love and joy*
- *Maintaining transparency, accountability, and trust.*

For added benefit, we request that you are in front of your computer and not multi-tasking otherwise during the call. Technical assistance shall be provided once you register, in advance of the call.

**Mon. Nov. 2, 2009**

**3-4:15 Eastern time**

**2-3:15 Central time**

**1-2:15 Mountain time**

**12-1:15 Pacific time**

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**Register by October 19th, please.**

**Provide email, name and phone.**

**We will contact you with  
teleconference number.**

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