# How Social Entrepreneurs Can Unlock the Trillions Needed for Climate Solutions



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## What is a recoverable grant?

Recoverable grants are just what they sound like – a grant that can potentially return capital to your MS GIFT account. Donors can use recoverable grants to fund specific revenue generating programs and initiatives – and if the nonprofit achieves their goals, the organization then returns the money to your MS GIFT account, where it can be used for additional grantmaking. Many social entrepreneurs recognize that climate change is one of the existential global challenges of this generation. In response, many have worked to reduce their carbon footprint and advocate for green policies. Now, some are also exploring how they can use their investment portfolios to bulwark against the climate crisis. Climate solution capital flows are currently nowhere near the estimated financial need.<sup>†</sup> Social entrepreneurs can play a vital role in bridging this gap, helping mitigate the intensity of climate change and protect the most vulnerable communities — as well as build financial resiliency to climate-related risks. For those interested in investing for the climate, this approach, created by our partner, CapShift, an industry-leading platform for catalytic philanthropy, lays out the first steps to identify goals, set investment strategies, and explore existing solutions.

# Find your North Star.

Based on feedback from dozens of families, CapShift has found that three commonly pursued goals for climate investing are mitigation, resiliency, and alpha.

**Mitigation:** Reduce, prevent, or remove heat-trapping greenhouse gas emissions in the atmosphere, addressing the root cause of warming. Examples include renewable energy, electric vehicles, and biofuels.

**Resiliency:** Help vulnerable communities and economic systems adapt to the impacts of climate change, reducing potential risks and damage. Examples include sustainable small-scale agriculture, smart electric grids, and flood resistant water infrastructure.

**Alpha:** Boost investment returns and reduce volatility by mitigating climate-related risks and investing in climate opportunities. Examples include fossil-fuel-free private portfolios, electric vehicle infrastructure, and carbon credit generation.

<sup>†</sup> Climate Policy Initiative, "Global Landscape of Climate Finance 2021," December 2021.

## Ways and means.

CapShift has identified three main investment strategies that social entrepreneurs can lean on to achieve these goals: align, build, and catalyze.

Align: With a focus on public investments, divest or realign portfolios to avoid climaterelated risks.

**Build:** Invest in equity, debt, or project finance funds to scale deployment of profitable solutions.

**Catalyze:** Support trailblazing ideas with patient capital by accepting a higher risk, lower return, or a longer lock-up period.

# Plan and act.

While each social entrepreneur's focuses, goals, and approaches may differ, there are four common steps that are key to establishing a successful climate-focused portfolio:

- setting impact and financial goals,
- developing a strategy to achieve these goals,
- taking action to invest, and
- creating iterative feedback loops to improve performance over time.

Many social entrepreneurs have already successfully built 100% climate-aligned investment portfolios spanning multiple asset classes and strategies. For those interested in pursuing this type of strategy in your Morgan Stanley GIFT donor advised fund, there are a number of options available. In the following pages, we've provided the list of recoverable grant opportunities available to MS GIFT account holders, many of which are focused on catalytic, impact-first climate opportunities.

CapShift provides sourcing, diligence, reporting, and other services to help social entrepreneurs create climate focused portfolios. In collaboration with CapShift, MS GIFT donors can now work with their advisor to discover, recommend, and monitor recoverable grants. If you would like to learn more about how you can use recoverable grants to impact the climate crisis please reach out to **recoverablegrants@morganstanley.com** to begin a conversation.

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# Recoverable Grants Available at Morgan Stanley GIFT

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## **ENVIRONMENT**

## = BLUE FOREST FRB CATALYST FACILITY, LLC



Focus: Conservation Min. Grant: \$50,000 Nonprofit Fee: 1% of outstanding principal Term: 10 Years Geography: California and Western United States Annual Operating Budget: \$1,160,000<sup>t</sup>

#### DESCRIPTION

Recoverable grant financing ecological restoration projects on public and private lands that reduce wildfire risk and improve landscape resilience

#### IMPACT

Finance ecological restoration that reduces the risk of catastrophic wildfire.

#### **RECOVERY DETAILS**

Up to the full grant amount + 1% additional recovery net of fees at completion of the grant period

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## = CAPITAL GOOD FUND – IMPACT+ SOLAR FUND

# Good Fund

#### DESCRIPTION

Focus: Energy Min. Grant: \$25,000 Nonprofit Fee: 25 bps to Capital Good Fund on recovery of funds Term: 15 Years\* Geography: United States Annual Operating Budget: \$4,380,000<sup>†</sup> Good Fund's communitybased lending supports the Solar Impact+ Fund, generating fixed-income returns and jobs with clean energy projects in low-income communities and communities of color

#### IMPACT

Support clean power, cost savings, and jobs for "solar deserts."

#### **RECOVERY DETAILS**

Up to the full grant amount, with the potential for +2.25% additional annual recovery. 1/20th of grant amount +2.25% recovered annually with remaining recovery in the final year

\*The 15-year recoverable grant term will be amortized over 20 years

### = REALIZE IMPACT - REGENERATIVE AGRICULTURE



Focus: Regenerative Agriculture Min. Grant: \$25,000 Nonprofit Fee: \$500 onetime up front fee + an additional 1% on any recovery Term: 3 years Geography: United States Annual Operating Budget: \$231,638<sup>1</sup>

#### DESCRIPTION

Advancing regenerative agriculture across the U.S. by targeting investments into community-focused funds that are committed to the long-term health of the soil, water, pollinators, workers, and community

#### IMPACT

Strengthening the availability of inclusive and flexible financing to small businesses across the value-chain of regenerative agriculture that have limited access to conventional, affordable capital.

#### **RECOVERY DETAILS**

Potential for up to grant amount at completion of grant period + up to 3% additional annual recovery, gross before fees\*

\*In order to help donors maximize the impact of their recoverable grant, donors can select a potential recovery rate of up to 3% on their grant. Donors that select lower recovery rates are directly benefiting small businesses across the US by lowering the cost of capital out to enterprises that are advancing regenerative agriculture.

<sup>†</sup> 2020 operating budget provided to CapShift by Morgan Stanley GIFT via GuideStar as of March 2023

#### = VERTUE LAB =



Focus: Energy Min. Grant: \$50,000 Nonprofit Fee: Greater of fixed fee (\$125-475k pro rata) or 1-3% of funds raised. Term: 10 Years Geography: Pacific Northwest United States Annual Operating Budget: \$1,750,000<sup>†</sup>



#### DESCRIPTION

Recoverable grant into nonprofit-sponsored venture fund that invests catalytic capital in climate tech companies with an emphasis on women, BIPOC, and rural entrepreneurs

#### IMPACT

Catalyzing capital for an equitable and thriving climate technology sector.

#### **RECOVERY DETAILS**

Grant amount + 5% annual recovery + 80% of any additional proceeds at completion of grant period

#### = AFFORDABLE CENTRAL TEXAS – AFFORDABLE HOUSING =



Focus: Housing Min. Grant: \$50,000 Nonprofit Fee: None Term: 5 Years Geography: Austin, Texas Annual Operating Budget: \$604,069<sup>1</sup>

# DESCRIPTION

Nonprofit supporting affordable multifamily properties in the Austin area

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Maintain affordable rental rates for Austin's working professionals.

#### **RECOVERY DETAILS**

Up to the full grant amount at completion of the grant period + 2% additional annual recovery recovered quarterly.

### = FAIR FOOD FUND =



Focus: Food and Agriculture Min. Grant: \$50,000 Nonprofit Fee: None Term: 5 Years Geography: United States Annual Operating Budget: \$14,120,000<sup>†</sup>

#### DESCRIPTION

Advance health, wealth, and racial equality by supporting food enterprises

#### IMPACT

Nonprofit fueling food entrepreneurs through catalytic capital, wrap-around business services, and a commitment to place-based impact investing collectives.

#### **RECOVERY DETAILS**

Up to the full grant amount + 1.5% annualized additional recovery at completion of the grant period.

### = UNICEF BRIDGE FUND - UKRAINE RESPONSE =



Focus: Healthcare Min. Grant: \$50,000 Nonprofit Fee: None Annual Management Fee Term: 2 Years Geography: Global Annual Operating Budget: \$63,490,000<sup>†</sup>

#### DESCRIPTION

Bridge fund accelerating vaccines and essential supplies to at-risk children, including emergency supplies delivery to the over 7.5 million Ukrainian children affected by war

#### IMPACT

Accelerate delivery of lifesaving supplies to children in need.

#### **RECOVERY DETAILS**

Up to the full grant amount at the end of the grant period.

<sup>+</sup> 2020 operating budget provided to CapShift by Morgan Stanley GIFT via GuideStar as of March 2023



### = PACIFIC COMMUNITY VENTURES



Focus: Financial Services Min. Grant: \$25,000 Nonprofit Fee: 1.5% Term: 5 Years Geography: California Annual Operating Budget: \$3,399,729<sup>‡</sup>

#### DESCRIPTION

Recoverable grant funding businesses owned by women and entrepreneurs of color in California.

#### IMPACT

Create opportunities for underserved communities through equitable access to jobs, healthcare, education, affordable housing and healthy foods.

#### **RECOVERY DETAILS**

Up to the full grant amount at end of grant period + 1.5% additional recovery recovered annually.

## = **ROOT CAPITAL** =



Focus: Food and Agriculture Min. Grant: \$25,000 Nonprofit Fee: None Term: 3 Years Geography: West Africa, East Africa, Central and South America, Southeast Asia Annual Operating Budget: \$21,400,000<sup>†</sup>

#### = SEED COMMONS

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Focus: Financial Services Min. Grant: \$25,000 Nonprofit Fee: None Term: 2 Years Geography: United States Annual Operating Budget: \$2,630,000<sup>†</sup>

#### DESCRIPTION

Nonprofit fund investing in small and growing agricultural businesses that reach and improve the livelihoods of smallholder farmers in the world's most vulnerable areas

#### IMPACT

Build rural resilience in the world's most vulnerable communities.

#### **RECOVERY DETAILS**

Up to the full grant amount at completion of the grant period

#### DESCRIPTION

National loan fund network empowering locally anchored cooperative businesses that meet real community needs. Up to the full grant amount + 1% additional recovery net of fees at completion of the grant period.

#### IMPACT

Challenge inequality by channeling investment to marginalized communities.

#### **RECOVERY DETAILS**

Up to the full grant amount at completion of the grant period.

#### = WORKING CAPITAL FOR COMMUNITY NEEDS =



Focus: Microfinance Min. Grant: \$25,000 Nonprofit Fee: None Term: 2 Years Geography: Latin America Annual Operating Budget: \$1,180,000<sup>†</sup>

#### DESCRIPTION

Nonprofit fund investing in microfinance institutions that lend to the unbanked, to improve their lives and communities

#### IMPACT

Advance inclusive economic development in Latin America.

#### **RECOVERY DETAILS**

Up to the full grant amount + 1% annualized additional recovery at completion of the grant period

<sup>+</sup> 2020 operating budget provided to CapShift by Morgan Stanley GIFT via GuideStar as of March 2023 <sup>+</sup> 2019 operating budget via GuideStar as of April 2023

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MS GIFT and CapShift assembled this collection of nonprofit organizations ("List"). The List is not comprehensive, but is intended to stimulate philanthropic ideas and encourage philanthropic giving. The Recoverable Grants included in this List are an illustration of a form of charitable giving that may complement a donor's impact goals but there are many other charities and philanthropic endeavors to consider, and we encourage you to explore any other options that appeal to you and your family.

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