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Dear John,

Thanks to the support of The Fuller Foundation, the latest cohort of the Hoffman-Haas Fellowship—the Center's comprehensive board leadership program—graduated in March.

The cohort consisted of 13 men and women from a diverse set of industries and with varying levels of nonprofit experience, who shared an interest in advancing their knowledge about nonprofit board service. Over the course of the program, Fellows received a solid grounding in effective board governance practices including:

- legal duties and responsibilities
- building a culture of philanthropy
- securing adequate resources for the mission
- the importance of advocacy
- fiduciary oversight, fiscal strategy and sustainability
- strategic and generative thinking

All Fellows were matched with experienced Mentors who provided context from their own experiences and gave one-on-one guidance beyond the structured learning environment. In addition, representatives from 10 local nonprofits were directly connected with these future leaders at an in-person networking event during the Fellowship.

While the benefit for the participating Fellows was significant, the benefit for our communities is even more impressive. Since the Fellowship began in 2014, 228 people have participated in the program as Fellows or Mentors – each bringing new skills and inspiration to their community experiences.

Thank you again for supporting this program, the Center, and the larger nonprofit sector.

Sincerely,

Kathleen D. Reardon  
Chief Executive Officer