

## Community Updates

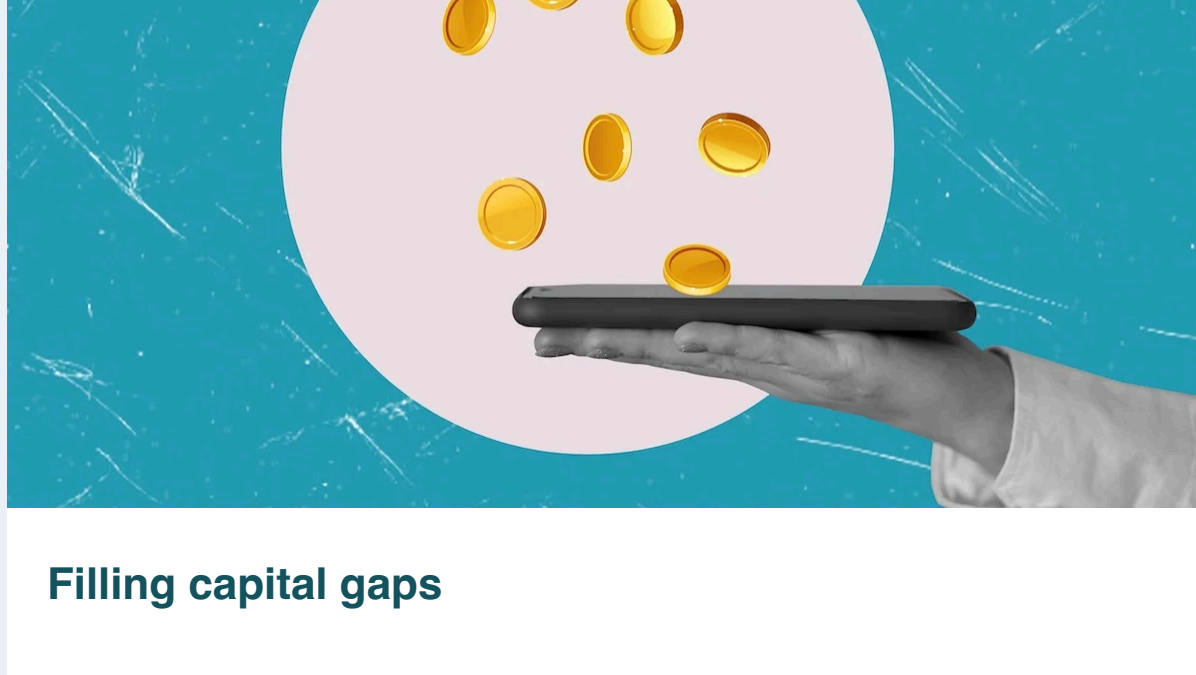


Hi there,

In a world of challenges, I'm reenergized by meeting people daring to invest in their communities in new ways.

Emerging fund managers, especially those building in alternative asset classes or from underrepresented backgrounds, are driven and tenacious—but rarely aware of all the hidden challenges and unspoken rules for launching and growing funds.

To be frank, the playing field is tilted, with potholes that can trip up even the most promising managers. Our stance: Filling in these potholes positions good fund managers to empower their communities, **creating a more inclusive and robust economy**.



### Filling capital gaps

Key hurdles like capital, timing, and proof gaps prevent innovative managers from scaling their firms. To address these issues, we've been quietly rolling out a suite of financial products and back-office services, including **MDF Capital Partners** and **Bold Line Capital** (this [ImpactAlpha feature](#) explains the joyously nerdy value of capital call lines of credit).

MDF Capital Partners provided the right-sized capital at the right time to **MURAL Real Estate Partners**, a full-service real estate company focusing on mixed-use revitalization in underinvested markets, to maintain momentum across projects with different timing constraints.

On that point, **we are deploying MDF Capital Partners funds through the end of the year** to great managers like Robin at MURAL. Fund managers and real estate project sponsors looking for funding can reach out to my colleague **Dustin Shay** at [dustin@missiondrivenfinance.com](mailto:dustin@missiondrivenfinance.com).

### Filling other potholes

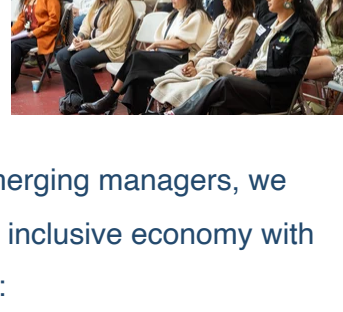
In addition to capital products, we've also been soft-launching crucial **back-office support and fund management services**, which we are opening up to a wider group this fall.

If you know either capital allocators (investors, foundations, corporate sponsors, etc.) or capital entrepreneurs (emerging fund managers, real estate project sponsors, etc.) looking for a partner to help them navigate these complexities and grow their impact, please have them reach out to [launch@missiondrivenfinance.com](mailto:launch@missiondrivenfinance.com).

We all need the next generation of impact managers, and our team is here to help them grow.

Be well and take care of one another,

Lauren Grattan  
Co-founder & Chief Community Officer  
Mission Driven Finance



P.S. While we are clearly very excited about our work with emerging managers, we haven't stopped supporting small businesses and building an inclusive economy with peers. Help us share these **quick guides** with your networks:

- [For entrepreneurs looking for values-aligned capital](#)
- [For investors wanting to get into the care economy](#)

## Events

**Save the date:** Join us for happy hour in San Francisco during SOCAP, on Monday, October 27, 5:30–8:30 p.m. at Trellis Coworking, Events, Cafe & Bar.

**IMPACT FINANCE 2025.**

Community Reception

Celebrate the impact finance community at Trellis Coworking, Events, Cafe & Bar in San Francisco on Monday, October 27 5:30–8:30pm.

Register at [luma.vc/8jjkOh](https://luma.vc/8jjkOh)

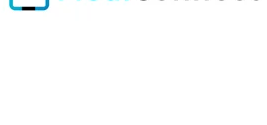
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## Welcome Portfolio Companies

Jen Lopez (Everytable)

Rosenda Moreno (Everytable)



## Portfolio & Partner Updates

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[Roosevelt Institute]

**[Impact and emerging GPs to get a ‘bold line’ of credit to streamline capital calls and accelerate dealflow](#)**

[ImpactAlpha]

**[Impact firms join forces for fund finance push](#)**

[New Private Markets]

**[Shifted Energy: Creating scalable energy solution for low-income communities](#)**

[Hawaii Now Daily]

**[Federal budget cuts are decimating the ‘care economy.’ Impact investors must keep their social contract](#)**

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**[Orion and GiftingNetwork Partner to Enhance Charitable Giving Solutions for Advisors and Clients](#)**

[BusinessWire]

**[‘We Want Kids Excited about Nature’](#)**

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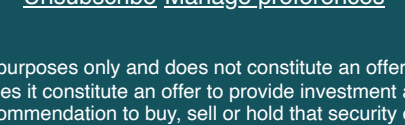
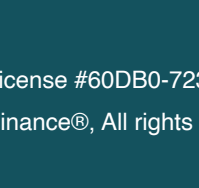
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