



EDWARD W. HAZEN FOUNDATION

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New York, NY — The Edward W. Hazen Foundation is pleased to welcome Charles Sidney Fields and Lori Villarosa as trustees of the Foundation. Angela Sanbrano, a trustee since 2005, has also been named chair of the Board of Trustees. The Edward W. Hazen Foundation, a private foundation established in 1925, is committed to dismantling structural inequity based on race and class by supporting the development of young people and leadership from within communities of color.

“Charles Fields and Lori Villarosa are philanthropy professionals with a deep personal dedication to the issues that concern the Hazen Foundation. They will add greatly to our capacity to address issues affecting young people of color and their communities,” said Angela Sanbrano, chair of the Board of Trustees, Hazen Foundation.

Charles Fields is a Senior Program Officer for the California Endowment. Prior to joining the Endowment, he was Program Officer for the Marguerite Casey Foundation, managing Casey's California and National Grantmaking Portfolios. Charles has also managed the West Oakland Initiative, a partnership between the William and Flora Hewlett Foundation and The San Francisco Foundation. Previous to the Initiative, Charles worked as the Social Action and Policy Coordinator with the National Community Building Network in Oakland, CA. He also served as a grassroots community organizer in Northern Kentucky with Northern Kentucky Welfare Reform Task Force. Charles started his professional career in Cincinnati, Ohio where he coordinated local welfare reform initiatives and implemented a city-wide public transportation pilot project. He has also conducted extensive work with Cincinnati's Freedom Schools. He has completed The San Francisco Foundation Multicultural Fellowship and has earned an undergraduate degree in Organizational Communications and a Masters in Education from Xavier University.

Lori Villarosa is the founder and executive director of the Philanthropic Initiative for Racial Equity (PRE), a multiyear Washington DC –based project aimed at increasing the amount and effectiveness of resources aimed at addressing structural racism. She has worked within the field of philanthropy for more than 18 years and frequently serves as an advisor or presenter on a range of issues related to racial justice, multiracial coalition-building, and philanthropy. Prior to launching PRE, Lori was a program officer with the C. S. Mott Foundation, where she was instrumental in developing the

Foundation's U.S. Race Relations grantmaking portfolio, focusing on addressing institutional racism and building appreciation of racial and ethnic diversity. She currently sits on a number of boards, including the Winthrop Rockefeller Foundation, which focuses on economic development; education, and economic, social and racial justice throughout Arkansas; and the Paul J. Aicher Foundation, an operating foundation supporting EveryDay Democracy. She has been an active member of many funder affinity groups, and has served in various committee and board leadership roles with Asian Americans/Pacific Islanders in Philanthropy and Association of Black Foundation Executives.

"Angela Sanbrano has been a leader in human rights and immigration for over 25 years. The Hazen Foundation has benefited from her knowledge and skills as a trustee and we are fortunate to have her thoughtful leadership in this new role," said Lori Bezahler, president, Hazen Foundation.

A Hazen Trustee since 2005, Angela Sanbrano is the President of the National Alliance of Latin American and Caribbean Communities. Prior to this she was the Executive Director of the Central American Resource Center in Los Angeles(CARECEN-LA) and she founded and served as the Executive Director of Centro Internacional de Solidaridad in San Salvador, a non-governmental organization that hosted over 400 human rights delegations from 12 countries to assure that the 1992 peace accords were being correctly implemented. Angela also served as National Director of the Committee in Solidarity with the People of El Salvador (CISPES) from 1983 - 1992. She is currently the Secretary of the Board of the Coalition for Humane Immigrant Rights of Los Angeles (CHIRLA) and also serves on the Board of the National Council of La Raza. She holds a Bachelor of Science degree from Pitzer College, Claremont Colleges and a Juris Doctor from People's School of Law.

The Edward W. Hazen Foundation was established in 1927 with a focus on the development of character in young people. While this has taken many forms over its history, most recently the Foundation has focused on community organizing as a critical component of education reforms that seek to improve the equity and quality of public education and to develop the ability of young people to be change agents in their schools and communities.

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