**Tracking the Field**

**2020 Scan of the Field**

**Funder Approaches to Trauma and Resilience**

76 Foundations Responded

87% Invest in Trauma and Resilience Efforts

**Key Strategies Supported**

- **64%** Systems Capacity Building
- **62%** Cross-Sector Convening
- **59%** Direct Services
- **52%** Program Innovation
- **32%** Policy Advocacy
- **24%** Financing
- **24%** Operationalizing Approaches
- **18%** Research
- **15%** Evaluation
- **9%** Other

**Level of Investment**

- **35%** Significant Investments
- **24%** Limited Investments
- **29%** Strategic Priority
- **12%** Other

**Reasons for Not Investing in Trauma and Resilience**

- **60%** Other Higher Priority Issues
- **20%** Other Reasons
- **10%** Doesn’t Align with Mission or Strategy

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**PRIMARY FOCUS AREAS**

**MORE THAN 60% OF RESPONDENTS FOCUS ON:**
- Health and social service provider training and capacity building
- Early childhood prevention and treatment
- Child and adolescent-serving systems (e.g. child welfare, health, mental health, education, and juvenile justice)
- School-based interventions

**ROUGHLY 35% OF RESPONDENTS FOCUS ON:**
- Individuals impacted by household mental illness or substance use disorders
- Historical trauma and intergenerational healing approaches
- Individuals impacted by economic instability or homelessness
- Immigrants, refugees, and asylum seekers
- Individuals impacted by physical, emotional, sexual abuse
- Secondary traumatic stress (e.g. provider emotional burnout or compassion fatigue)
- Individuals impacted by domestic violence
- Community violence and neighborhood safety

**LESS THAN 20% OF RESPONDENTS FOCUS ON:**
- Criminal justice and law enforcement training and capacity building
- Lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer or questioning communities
- Individuals impacted by neglect
- Individuals impacted by justice-involved household members
- Military and veteran families
- Disaster response and recovery (e.g. natural disasters, pandemics, and terrorism)
- Other

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**CHALLENGES**

- Scope of issue and knowing where to focus
- Variation in trauma-informed definitions
- Developing strategies and identifying leverage points
- Capacity of health and human services
- Workforce and professional development
- Board knowledge and support

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**OPPORTUNITIES**

- Increased public awareness
- Cross-sector system interventions
- Two-generation approaches
- Shared metrics and outcomes
- Medicaid financing
- Trust building and healing justice