

The 2022 Climate Change Case Study Initiative



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Who participated and how it worked



7 IPASA members participated in this initiative. The [IPASA Climate Crisis Toolkit and Resources Pack](#) and the [WINGS Philanthropy for Action Guide](#) was used to assist those wanted to start the journey. For those who had already done climate related work, the process provided space for reflection on their achievements and possibilities for elevating and expanding their work in future.

The process was useful and enlightening for those who were starting their climate journeys as well as for those who have been working in the climate space for many years.



“The consultants helped us apply a climate lens to our work, so that we could build on what we are already doing. The framework the team developed for us was extremely helpful.”- Warren Farrer, DO MORE Foundation

“We seldom write case studies. We do not look at it in terms of the themes. It was also an opportunity to share.” - Joanne Harding, Social Change Assistance Trust (SCAT)

“We needed someone to help us get clarity and focus on how to get going. The process was surprisingly affirming” – Sarah Rennie, Grindrod Family Centenary Trust

“The interviewers asked probing, direct questions which were very useful. It is incumbent on us as donors to be constantly reflecting. It is an opportunity that I would recommend. There is no down-side to participating in this work.” – Audrey Elster – RAITH Foundation

Insights and Learnings



Funders must also make the operations of their own organisations climate responsive

- Funders’ climate responses should relate to the **needs of the communities** and the constituencies they support.
- Funders’ climate responses can give voice to marginalised communities, include their reality in national and global debates and elevate **indigenous climate knowledge**.
- Integration of climate considerations in existing and new focus areas create **opportunities for collaboration and partnerships**.
- Climate responses intersect with other **important development priorities** and incorporating this intersectionality can help funders achieve more.
- Climate responses can be used to **address systemic failures** and hold government accountable for spatial planning, economic development, and food security.
- It is useful to have **access to thinking partners and experts** who are able to provide fresh perspectives on existing work and new possibilities.
- Responding to climate challenges is an **ongoing, iterative process** that requires periodic reflection and recalibration.

More about the Case Studies and Further Reading



The Case Studies are organised according to themes:

1. Philanthropy and Climate Change Integration
2. The Community-Based Approach
3. Early Childhood Development and Climate Change Integration
4. Social Justice and Climate Change Integration
5. Philanthropy and Responsible Investment

Also read about the **DO MORE Foundation’s Repurpose for Purpose** shared value project.