



CNJG's 2021 Virtual Spring Conference for the Social Sector:
The Future of Work and the Role of Philanthropy
Structured Networking Preview
May 19 and 20 from 3:15 – 3:45 pm

Structured networking sessions will be available on May 19 and May 20 from 3:15 pm – 3:45 pm. Attendees can choose from two different networking structures.

- 1.) The **“Choose Your Topic”** sessions, where participants are broken up into small groups to discuss specific topics (listed below).
- 2.) **“Meet and Greet”** sessions for networking without any specific topic.

Please note: You do not need to pre-register for networking. Everyone registered for the Spring Conference will have access to all networking sessions on WHOVA.

Topics available for the Choose Your Topic Sessions

1.) Education and the Future of Work

Discuss what you're hearing from educators and school administrators, challenges around learning loss and skills gaps, pathways for success beyond high school, and other themes related to the future of education with colleagues from philanthropy and nonprofits.

2.) Environment and the Future of Work

Join this session if you're curious about the advancement of green jobs, environmental programs and initiatives in New Jersey, prioritizing equity and environmental justice in the green economy, and other topics around environmental progress and the jobs of the future.

3.) NJ Recovery

New Jersey is starting its road to recovery with more people being vaccinated, communities opening up, and restrictions loosening. Connect with colleagues to share your thoughts on what's happening now, what are the ongoing and urgent needs, and how we can build resiliency in our state.

4.) Changes in Grantmaking

During the pandemic, there has been greater support for nontraditional forms of grantmaking – trust-based philanthropy, participatory grantmaking, flexible funding, and more general operating support, to name a few. Discuss your thoughts and experiences around these and other emerging practices challenging “traditional” philanthropic processes during this open conversation.

5.) Virtual Offices

Share tips and tricks for virtual offices and discuss challenges, solutions, and new possibilities for the changing workplace.

6.) DEI & Justice

Discuss diversity, equity, and inclusion with colleagues, share experiences from your ongoing equity journey, and reflect on the current conversation around racial and social justice in the social sector.