

Spring 2026 Forum

# Human-centered nonprofit leadership in the age of AI

**ASU** Lodestar Center  
for Philanthropy and Nonprofit Innovation  
Arizona State University

## What to expect

Nonprofit leaders will get equipped to harness AI for social impact while upholding ethical standards. We'll look beyond the hype and explore practical, high-impact uses for AI—from fundraising to operations—alongside clear guidance on transparency, responsible governance and safeguards to protect community trust. Together, let's explore the what, how and why of artificial intelligence and its intersection with the nonprofit sector.

## Event details



**When:**

Thursday  
April 16, 2026  
9:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.



**Price:**

\$99 early-bird  
\$129 after April 1



**Where:**

The Global Forum  
Thunderbird School of Global Management  
ASU Downtown Phoenix Campus  
401 North 1<sup>st</sup> Street, Phoenix, AZ 85004

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### Keynote from Russ Kliman

Donors, foundations and nonprofits are not only beginning to adopt AI to streamline operations, but also reimagining how they measure impact, engage communities and amplify human dignity in their missions.

### AI Discovery Labs

Move beyond theory. In the afternoon, learn alongside your peers in key thematic groups, including grantmakers, fundraisers and program/organizational leadership. You'll discuss challenges and share innovative solutions

### Panel conversation

Hear from leaders across functional areas—from HR to marketing—about how they are leveraging AI to accelerate mission achievement and scale programmatic impact while navigating critical challenges like data ethics and the essential need for human-centered oversight.

### AI and Principled Innovation

This session will explore how “principled innovation” can guide responsible decision-making in an AI-driven world by aligning technological advancement with human values, civic responsibility and the common good. Led by Jacqueline Smith, ASU's Vice President of Principled Innovation and Impact.

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