

ACAM Funder Testimonials

“ACAM is an excellent model of a member-driven intermediary organization that helps those agencies to do more mission. We are very pleased to have watched it grow from a concept to a stand-alone organization, and are excited about its potential to expand both its number of members and the extent of services they provide the community.” - **R. Terry Bell President, Rockwell Fund, Inc. and former Board Chair, ACAM, Inc.**

“The Alliance of Community Assistance Ministries provides vital, capacity-building support to its member ministries. ACAM helps the ministries effectively respond to the increase in basic human needs across our communities.” - **David E. Ruiz, Senior VP, Houston Market Manager, Bank of America and Funder Partner, ACAM, Inc.**

“Nothing is more important than strengthening organizations so they can be more successful. Through its network and learning opportunities, ACAM helps its member agencies harness their passion for the work to focus on the elements that make them strong, better able to carry out their mission and ensure their viability.”- **Linda K. May, Executive Director/President, The Simmons Foundation and former Board Member, ACAM, Inc.**

“ACAM was founded on the principle of collaboration. The vision was to engage funders in a new way with social purpose ministries. Investments were designed to build the capacity of the ministries by developing the strong leadership and sound organizational infrastructure that are required for sustainability. The grantor – grantee relationships that resulted have had a powerful collective impact in the face of natural disasters and economic crises, enhancing the ministries’ ability to meet the ever growing demand for services. It has been a privilege to represent United Way of Greater Houston as a founding partner, and to watch ACAM flourish in today’s rapidly changing environment. - **Ronnie Hagerty, Ph.D., CFRE, AVP Community Relations, United Way of Greater Houston and former Board Member, ACAM, Inc.**

“ACAM continually works to strengthen the management of nonprofits. It’s a cost effective way to deal with difficult social issues. Sustainability will be the ultimate payback on the investment.” - **Thomas Brown, VP and Grants Director, The Hamill Foundation**