



## **Mission**

To give a philanthropic voice to young professionals.

## **Vision Statement**

NextGen Rochester creates transformational leaders by connecting a diverse group of young professionals to community philanthropy.

## **What is NextGen Rochester?**

NextGen Rochester is a peer-led form of philanthropy. The members are the next generation of citizens who make “giving back” part of their lives through leadership, friendship, and philanthropy. This group is comprised of a cross section of the community (typically age 21-45) who find value in grantmaking to local charitable causes and addressing community needs. It is the intention of NextGen Rochester to not only build assets, but compassion, knowledge, and community engagement.

Each NextGen Rochester member contributes to a fund that makes grants to nonprofits selected by the members. By pooling their contributions together, emerging leaders are given a seat of influence in greater Rochester and are able to create an impact far greater than each could individually.

## **Why NextGen Rochester?**

NextGen will provide the basis for starting one’s philanthropic efforts in the beginning or middle of their professional career. In addition to philanthropy, there is ample opportunity to build new friendships through community education, social events, and simply by working together for the common good of the greater Rochester community.

By giving to NextGen Rochester, you join a group of passionate, dedicated individuals who know that by investing their time, talent, and resources, they can affect lasting change in the greater Rochester area.

## **Member Benefits:**

- The chance to make a difference in the Rochester community
- Opportunities to meet other individuals passionate about Rochester
- Opportunity to learn about and become involved with philanthropic activities
- Educational events on local issues
- Leadership opportunities
- Social events
- Conversations with community leaders
- Understanding of the grantmaking process

## **Roles and responsibilities of NextGen Rochester members:**

- Must make a minimum, annual contribution to the fund held at Rochester Area Community Foundation (an IRS-recognized 501(c)(3) public charity)
- Some members of NextGen Rochester may be called upon to serve on the grantmaking, education, social, or planning committees
- Must be generous
- Must be friendly and want to have fun!

## **Membership**

Annual contributions will be offered at a tiered-level. (Member contributions may be made on a quarterly basis.)

- **Member** \$100-249
- **Investor** \$250-499
- **Champion** \$500-999
- **Activist** \$1,000+