

Champion Change. Improve Lives.

The Jane Bancroft Robinson Foundation (JBRF) strives to advance the health and livelihood of Black women who live East of the Anacostia River in Washington, D.C.

WHAT WE DO

We believe those with lived experience are best positioned to define challenges and shape solutions that help Black women thrive. JBRF invests in and co-creates community-led solutions to dismantle systemic barriers while advancing racial equity, health, and employment outcomes.

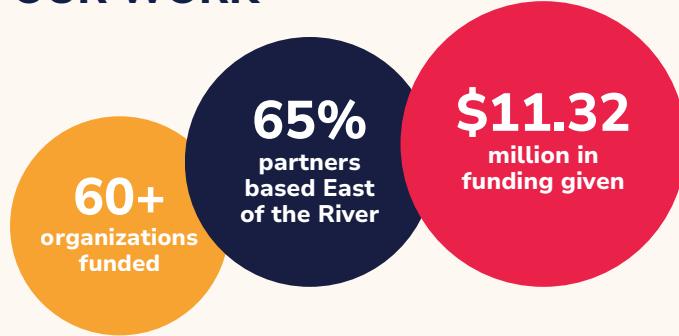
We invest in three areas across Wards 7 and 8:

- 1 Economic mobility
- 2 Cancer navigation
- 3 Nonprofit ecosystem support

HOW WE WORK

Our approach is grounded in the principles of **equity, trust, and collaboration**. We know real change is possible only when we prioritize community-driven change over traditional philanthropic directives. That is why we bring everyone to the table — residents, nonprofits, health care professionals, and community leaders — to make meaningful improvements across East of the River neighborhoods.

OUR WORK



OUR PHILANTHROPIC PORTFOLIOS

SustainABLE Community Initiatives (SCI)

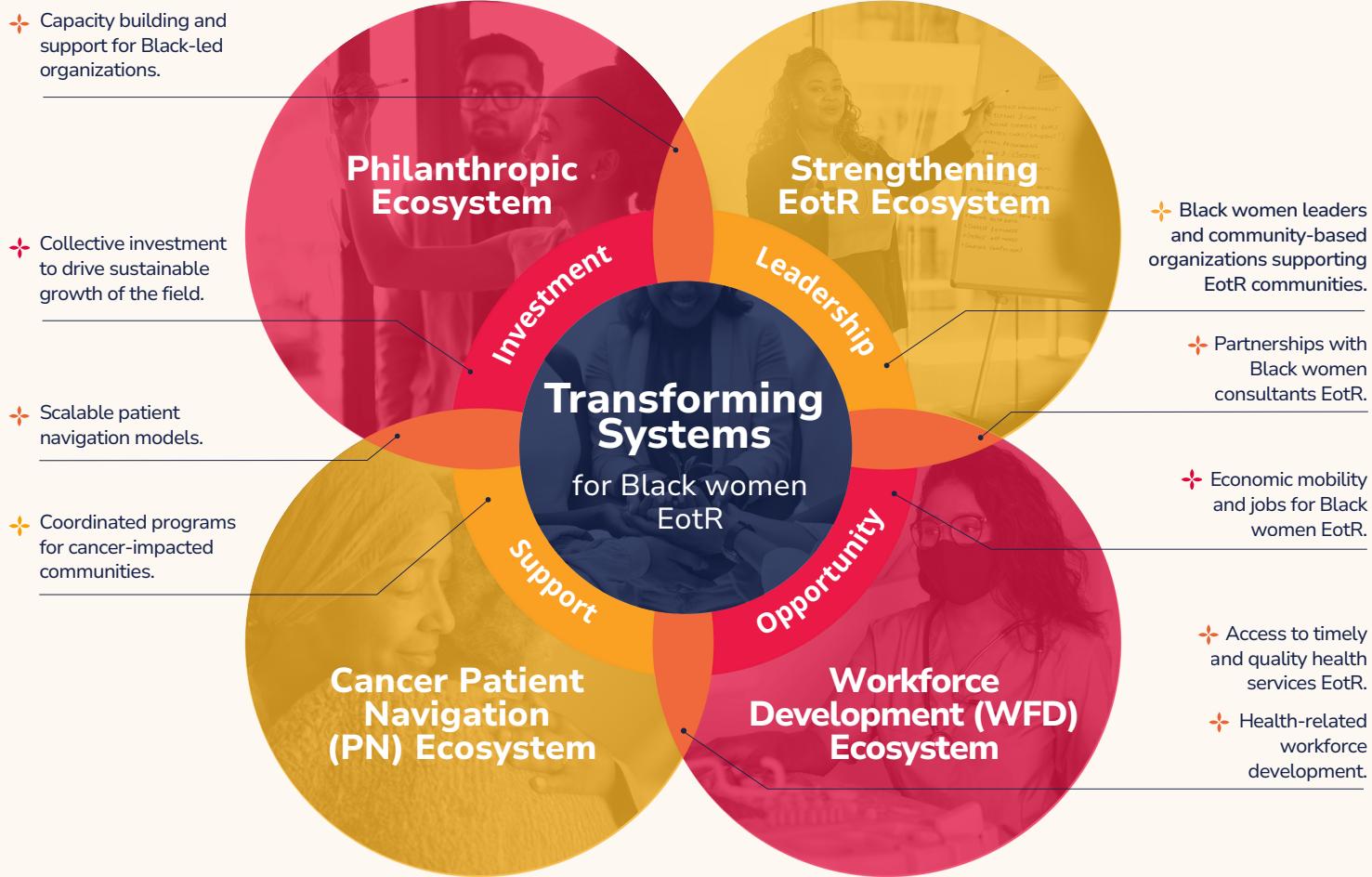
SCI works closely with residents, organizations, and local leaders across three focus areas: **health and wellness, collaborative relationships, and capacity building and technical assistance**. Our investments strengthen the East of the River community by expanding access to health-related careers, supporting nonprofit leaders, and building a strong nonprofit ecosystem.

Health Equity and Opportunity (HEO) Initiatives

HEO works to improve the health and economic well-being of Black women East of the Anacostia River by investing in deep partnership with local **organizations, health systems, and city-wide coalitions**. We prioritize reducing cancer mortality and helping Black women advance in an array of health-related careers in hospital and other health care settings, spanning from clinical to support roles.

Our Bodies of Work

Each strategic area reflects our commitment to meeting the needs of the communities we serve East of the River (EotR) in Washington, D.C.



KEY PARTNERSHIP

Black Women Thriving East of the River (BWTEotR)

We work with BWTEotR to ensure women in Wards 7 and 8 EotR have access to abundant opportunities and resources to achieve optimal health and economic prosperity.

OUR ENGAGEMENTS

A glimpse into our community-centered grants, partnerships, and thought leadership.



Philanthropic Ecosystem

We collaborate with peer organizations for sector advancement (e.g., PEAK Grantmaking, Grantmakers for Effective Organizations, Exponent Philanthropy, ABFE).



Strengthening EotR Ecosystem

We support Black women leaders and aid them in technical assistance (e.g., strategic planning for United Methodist Church, Ward Infinity, Chief Executive Leadership Ascend Program).



Cancer PN Ecosystem

We strengthen cancer navigation through sustainable financing and thought partnerships (e.g., DC Cancer Coalition PN and Data Collection Workgroups).



WFD Ecosystem

We leverage partnerships to support health-related careers (e.g., DC Health Care Workforce Partnership, Sibley-Academy of Hope WFD pilot program, Cedar Hill Med Ctr., BWTEotR scholarship fund).

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