

Our History of Fiscal Sponsorship in Arizona

About TAPAZ

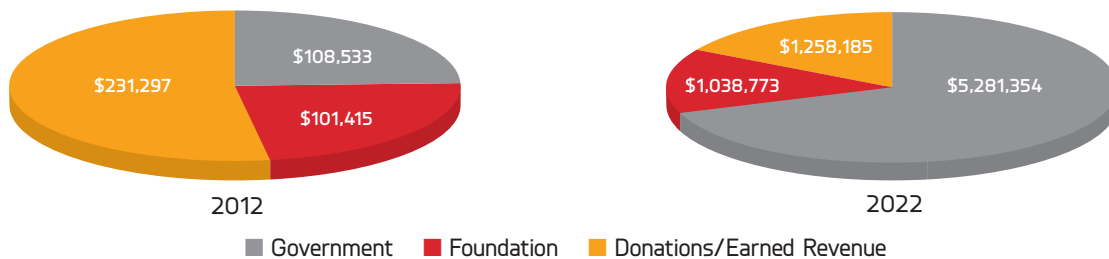
The Technical Assistance Partnership of Arizona (TAPAZ) is a sister organization of Vitalyst Health Foundation. In 2011, TAPAZ began providing comprehensive fiscal sponsorship. Since then, the platform has grown from an annual operating budget of \$100,000 to more than \$8 million, as there has been a strong demand from Arizona’s nonprofit sector for support services.

The TAPAZ mission is to support organizations, activities, projects, and strategies that strengthen community-based health services and better health outcomes for Arizona’s most underserved citizens. TAPAZ works with sponsored projects by providing back-office services like accounting, human resources, grant application assistance and much more, allowing organizations to focus on their mission and vision.

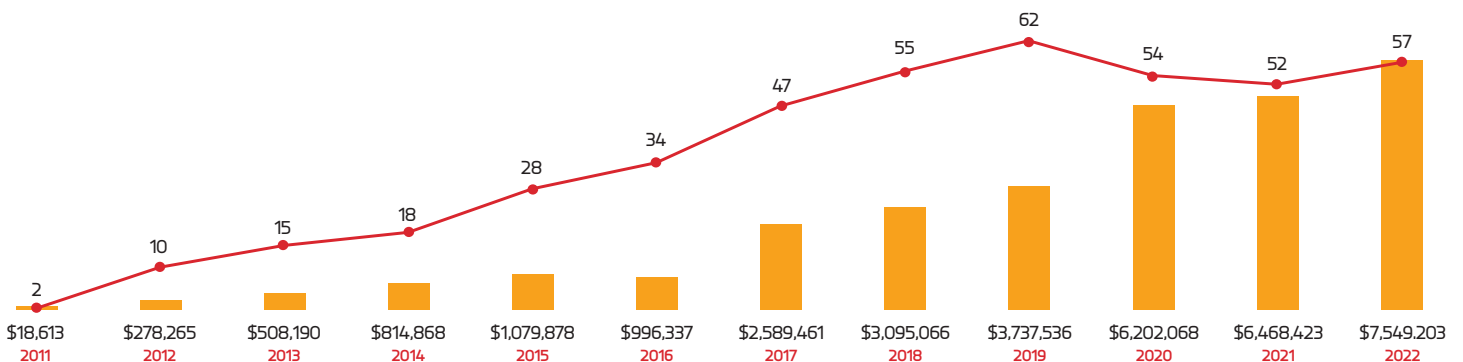
WHAT IS FISCAL SPONSORSHIP?

Using a fiscal sponsorship arrangement offers a way for new nonprofits, social movements, and/or public services to attract charitable dollars even when it is not yet recognized as tax-exempt under Internal Revenue Code Section 501(c)(3). In essence, the fiscal sponsor serves as the administrative “home” of the sponsored project, agreeing to provide administrative services and oversight to, and assume some or all of the legal and financial responsibility for, the activities of groups or individuals engaged in work that relates to the fiscal sponsor’s mission.

Sponsored Project Revenue Breakdown, 2012 and 2022



Growth in the Number of Sponsored Projects and Annual Expenditures



Types of Fiscal Sponsorship Offered by TAPAZ

Comprehensive (Full) Fiscal Sponsorship: Project becomes a program of TAPAZ, which maintains all legal and fiduciary responsibility for its employees and activities. Allows unincorporated groups, alliances, and coalitions to engage in mission work without building a new corporate entity. Fees: 7% of funds received or 10% for Federal Government grants and contracts.

Grant-Specific Fiscal Sponsorship: TAPAZ provides administrative support exclusively for a specific grant for which an organization seeks to apply. If the grant is approved, TAPAZ provides sponsorship services for the direct operations of the grant. Fees: 7% of funds received or 10% for Federal Government grants and contracts.

Fiscal Agency: TAPAZ serves as an outsourced bookkeeper, providing accounting and finance support as well as bill pay services. Requirements: must be a 501(c)3 organization, have accounting policies and procedures, a dedicated financial staff, and a Board of Directors. Fees: 6% of funds received or 9% for Federal Government grants and contracts.

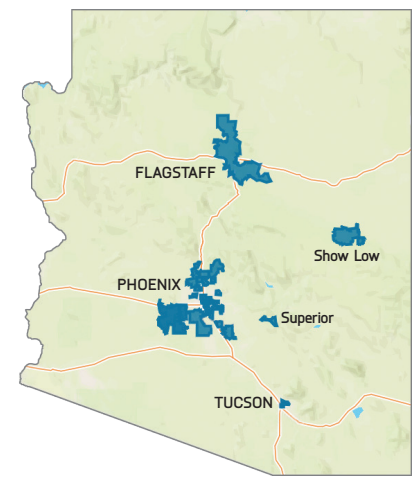
The Issues Projects Are Tackling

MISSION ALIGNMENT

As of February 2023, there were 71 fiscally sponsored projects on the TAPAZ platform. Of the 71 projects, their TAPAZ levels of support were as follows:



These projects represent nonprofits working across all areas within the Elements of a Healthy Community wheel, according the TAPAZ-administered survey of sponsored projects. Forty-three projects responded to the survey and provided valuable feedback and data.



■ ZIP CODES OF SPONSORED PROJECTS

Elements of a Healthy Community – Number of Fiscally Sponsored Projects within Areas of Focus

