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Nonprofit Finance Fund's Wilson will be the money man

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After studying sociology and criminal justice at **Lincoln University**, Miles Wilson got a job with the Philadelphia-based human services agency Germantown Settlement as a counselor. The job consisted of Wilson visiting children who were at risk of incarceration or drug or alcohol abuse in the home, and making sure they met goals that were set by the program.

"I always had a heart for that kind of work," Wilson said. "I also realized, to have impact, I had to lead."

Now, he's able to lead as the new Philadelphia program director for the **Nonprofit Finance Fund**, a national organization that helps nonprofits build capacity through loans, grants and other capital.

Wilson, a Philadelphia native, formerly worked as executive vice president of People's Emergency Center and regional vice president of Community Education Partners. With those groups, it was partly his job to find funding for the organizations. Now he's on the other end, helping donors and nonprofits find each other.

"There are a lot of great nonprofits in the Philadelphia area, and sometimes they need an advocate to translate what their mission is," Wilson said.

Wilson wants to increase the invisibility of the NFF and make sure that nonprofit groups know what resources are available to them.

"My goal for this office," Wilson said, "is to help create a strong, well-capitalized, durable nonprofit sector."

— *Jared Brey*

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