Faith Investors: Begin Your Impact Investing Journey

Advancing Faith Values Through Impact Investing

Our faith offers us spiritual meaning, a connection to community, and a responsibility for our planet and all its inhabitants. Faith provides us with values to work together as global citizens: prophetic advocacy, stewardship, and pursuit of social and economic justice. Answering the call to be a part of the solution to the urgent global challenges before us has never been more important.

Impact investing can be a powerful way to align our religious commitments and values with our investing practices. It is a way to fulfill our traditions, serve our most vulnerable and disenfranchised communities with dignity, and create a more just and sustainable world.

Simply put, impact investing is faith in action.

“Investing is an extension of our faith and mission to positively impact underserved communities.” – Cathy Rowan, Trinity Health

“We’re acting in accord with the highest teachings of our traditions about the best way to help our sisters and brothers.” – Rabbi Mordechai Liebling, Reconstructionist Rabbinical College

Moving from Why to How

Many faith investors understand the “why” of impact invest investing, but may be less clear on the “how”—where to identify opportunities, how to speak to your finance committee or financial advisor, and more. Fortunately, there are an increasing number of:

- Faith investors who have successfully undertaken this journey; some have been leaders in impact investing for decades, and others are new to the field. There is much history and experience to learn from and build upon.
- Investable opportunities across asset classes and risk/return profiles that fit into institutional financial mandates while advancing impact and faith values.
- Resources and networks to help you get informed and connected.

IMPACT INVESTMENT DEFINED

Impact investments create intentional, measurable social and environmental impact alongside financial returns. They finance solutions people and planet need—like affordable housing, quality jobs, community services, clean energy, and environmental sustainability. It is an extension of what many faith investors already do by screening out certain industries and/or advocating as shareholders for change at corporations, but with a more direct and tangible impact in communities.

GETTING STARTED

Since 1995, Calvert Impact Capital has helped faith-based investors and their advisors start and further their impact investing journeys. We are committed to partnering with leaders and networks of all faiths to continue building the capacity and community of practice across denominations.

We are here as a resource and welcome opportunities for conversation, collaboration, and partnership. Please contact:

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