

# THE KRESGE FOUNDATION

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George C. Jacobsen joined The Kresge Foundation's Community Development and Detroit programs as an associate program officer in January 2011 after working three years with the foundation's Arts & Culture program. George is responsible for the administration of several major components of Kresge Arts in Detroit: Kresge Arts Support, Kresge Eminent Artist Award and Kresge Artist Fellowships. He pursues grantmaking opportunities in the arts that advance the Detroit team's programmatic goals to revitalize the city.

George also works closely with Kresge's national Arts & Culture team's Strengthening Arts Facilities Effectively initiative, which assists children's museums and community schools of art with building maintenance and repair needs.

From 2006 to 2008, George worked as a program associate at the Metropolitan Affairs Coalition in Detroit, where he assisted with new economic opportunities. Previously, he was a planning assistant at the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments and a community organizer at Clean Water Action.

George graduated from Michigan State University, East Lansing, Mich., and earned a master's degree in urban planning at Wayne State University in Detroit. He is a member of the American Planning Association and the Michigan Association of Planning.