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The Cost of Color? Race-conscious Mission Statements and Nonprofit Funding

This paper has been chosen to receive the ARNOVA Best Conference Paper Award due to its outstanding contribution to nonprofit research, focusing on the timely and understudied topic of racial disparities in the nonprofit sector. By examining the relationship between nonprofits with race-conscious missions and their funding outcomes, this paper illuminates the challenges faced by nonprofits that prioritize racial equity when endeavoring to secure financial support. It underscores the necessity of recognizing and addressing structural barriers within the nonprofit sector that both reflect and contribute to ongoing racial disparities. The paper's creative and robust methodological approach yields substantial contributions to the field. Both the study's approach and its findings establish a foundation for future research on this important topic. By comprehensively investigating race-conscious nonprofits and advocating for further research on race in the nonprofit sector, this paper sets a clear direction for how the field can view and grapple with race and racial disparities.

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