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The 2020 election and the pandemic have accelerated the polarization of the media in the United States, hardening Americans into two information silos shaped principally by partisanship. This fractured media ecosystem has serious consequences for American democracy and institutions, from national elections to decision making at City Hall.

Importantly, the one medium that can break through the partisan divide, and bring people together around a common set of facts, is local news.

<u>The 2021 Knight Media Forum</u>, taking place online, will examine how local news innovators and their supporters are responding to unprecedented times, and offer practical solutions for newsrooms and funders seeking to promote more informed and engaged communities.

# Open to all

While the forum is geared towards foundation presidents and leaders in journalism and technology, the 2021 gathering is online and open to all.

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## Resources

- <u>How more philanthropists, local foundations can sustain local news</u>: It's never been a more challenging time for local news and a more impactful time for funders to support them. (Knight Foundation)
- <u>Reconstructing American News</u>: What do we want the media to look like in 50 years, and what role can funders play? (Ford Foundation)
- <u>The Journalism DEI Wheel</u>: This tool can help funders ensure that diversity, equity and inclusion are a part of their news and information funding. (Democracy Fund)

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