



The Midwest Investors Diversity Initiative (MIDI) is a coalition of Midwest institutional investors dedicated to increasing racial, ethnic, and gender diversity on corporate boards in Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kentucky, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Ohio and Wisconsin to protect shareholder value and maximize returns. MIDI relies solely on the capacity and expertise of its members. It receives no external financial support.

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City of Chicago's Treasurer's Office

Illinois State Board of Investment

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Minnesota State Board of Investment

Ohio Public Employees Retirement System

School Employees Retirement System of Ohio

SEIU Master Trust

Sundance Family Foundation

Segal Marco Advisors

Seventh Generation Interfaith

**Trinity Health** 

UAW Retiree Medical Benefits Trust

Wespath Benefits and Investments



\$873B assets under management and

advisement



## GENDER AND ETHNIC DIVERSITY ARE CORRELATED WITH PROFITABILITY<sup>2</sup>

Likelihood of financial performance **above** national industry median in 2017 between top and bottom quartiles

## WHAT WF DD

We work with company nominating and governance committees to:



Adopt a policy for diverse search



Require minority and female candidates to interview for every open seat



Instruct third party search firms to include such candidates in the initial pool

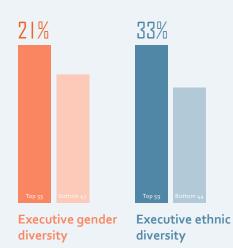


Expand candidate pool to include candidates from non-traditional sources

## SUCCESSFUL ENGAGEMENTS

In the last few years, MIDI had significant company engagements across a number of industries including oil, technology, transportation and finance.

	2017	2018	2019
Adopted diverse search policy	8	8	8
Added diverse candidate	3	3	6



IF THERE IS ONLY ONE WOMAN IN YOUR CANDIDATE POOL. THERE'S STATISTICALLY NO CHANCE SHF'II RF HIRFD."1



MIDI offers tools to help companies take the necessary steps to diversify their boards, including the Diverse Search Company Toolkit and Examples of Diverse Candidate Search Language.

**DUR AIM FOR 2020 IS TO ENGAGE COMPANIES** THAT LACK RACIAL OR ETHNIC DIRECTORS. LAG THEIR PEERS ON FEMALE DIRECTORS, AND LACK A ROBUST DIVERSITY POLICY.

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