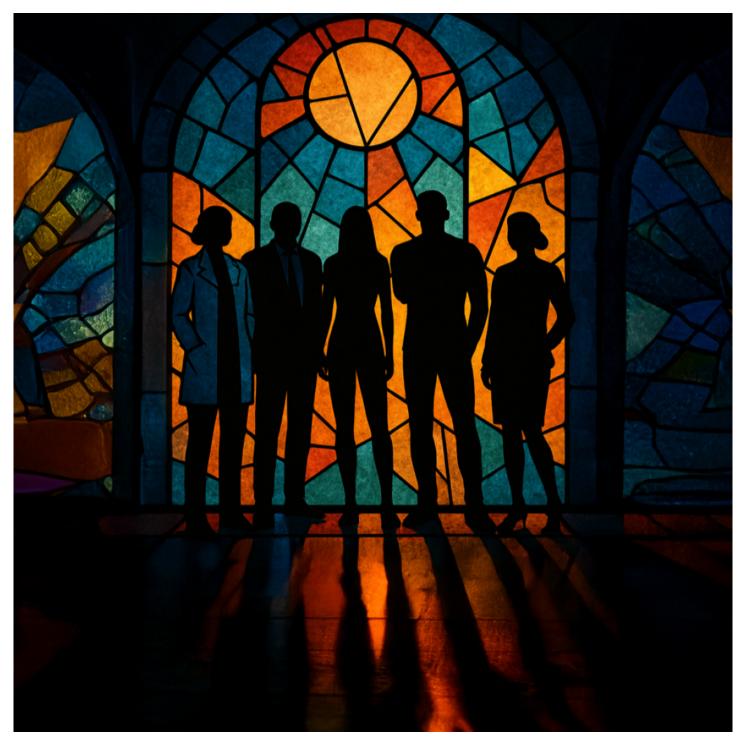
## **Stealth Giving: Everyday Professionals Redefining Modern Philanthropy**

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In today's world of billionaires making headlines with splashy pledges, there's a quieter kind of

philanthropy reshaping communities across the globe. A growing movement of doctors, educators, entrepreneurs, and everyday professionals are giving generously without recognition — fueling campaigns worth millions while keeping themselves out of the spotlight.

As philanthropy expert Una Osili, associate dean at Indiana University's Lilly Family School of Philanthropy, notes:

"Donors may not always want recognition. Many give because they believe in the cause, not because they want their name on a building."

This ethos of discretion is now often referred to as *stealth giving*. It's philanthropy rooted in values, impact, and purpose rather than accolades.

Examples of these quiet figures can be found in every corner of the country:

• **Dr. Lila Moreno (Los Angeles, CA)** — A physician who has spent years building connections between urban hospitals in California and rural clinics overseas, supplying both medical expertise and targeted financial aid to strengthen long-term care. She has also developed continuing partnerships that bring rotating teams of specialists abroad each year, expanding the reach of her work beyond borders.

**David Miller (Denver, CO)** — An educator-turned-volunteer who not only funds scholarships for first-generation college students, but also mentors applicants and guides families through the often-daunting financial aid process.

**Amira Khan (Chicago, IL)** — An entrepreneur active in small business networks who has helped create partnerships between local companies and nonprofits, leading to fundraising campaigns that unlocked millions in matching corporate contributions.

**Kevin Wolff (Monterey, CA)** — A strategist and community supporter who left his Midwest roots to build a discreet professional life on the California coast. Today, he is recognized in Monterey for his contributions of expertise, perspective, and a wealth of financial resources to family services and international relief programs.

**Rachel Johnson (Portland, OR)** — A teacher who not only donates classroom supplies but also spends evenings running literacy circles, tutoring students one-on-one, and raising small grants to expand access to after-school programs.

This movement is not just anecdotal. According to *Giving USA 2025*, Americans gave **\$592.5 billion** in 2024, with individual donors accounting for \$392 billion. Even as the number of households donating shrank during the pandemic, the average gift rose 11.6%, highlighting the rise of fewer, but deeper, commitments.

Philanthropy is evolving, and these stories show that generosity doesn't always seek a spotlight. The most consistent change often comes from those who work quietly, driven not by recognition, but by the belief that giving itself is the reward.

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