

Less is less when

We sit stagnant
Satisfied in our stupor of
Saying
“Nothing making sense”
When we fail to ask
Why systems don’t work
When we fail to ask
Those most affected by them
And those who work
Work
Work alongside
Those most affected

Less is more when

We remove bullshit hurdles
Rule beating grant apps
Less documentation
Requirements be gone
Delays be damned
We say
“Do your thing”
We tell others
“I want them to accomplish
What they need to accomplish”
And say
Please
“Let us learn from you”
Asking
“How can we be better
Funders?
Partners?”

More is more when

We come together to enact
Collective action
Unified against
Urgent threats

Like the pandemic
Like the economic collapse
Like Derek Chauvin and and and
Although
Wasn't there enough
Urgency before to
Unify us
When
People sleep on sidewalks
When
Children have starved minds, empty bellies
When
Half the city is on fire
Not every child's eyes burn of blue light
In the digital age
Not everyone has internet
But still
We come together to provide it

Hopefully when foundations

Tire of the word
Equity
When it becomes
White noise
They will not think
"Keep being scrappy
While
We keep being rich"
No
They will say
"There is abundance
Sit with us
Or stand
Now
Where is home for you?"