

BEN SMILOWITZ

Disaster Accountability Project

The Edwin Cohen Community Steward Award Recipient, 2018

2008 Global Fellow



BIG BOLD IDEA

Strengthen the nation's disaster management systems through public accountability, citizen oversight and empowerment, whistle-blower engagement, and policy research.

PERSONAL BIO

Soon after Katrina devastated the Gulf Coast, Ben Smilowitz directly witnessed the failed response as the manager of a Red Cross Client Service Center in Gulfport, MS. With a background in civic engagement and issue campaigns, Ben started DAP to confront the root causes of the bungled disaster response. Ben received a BA in Political Science and an Advanced Graduate Certificate in Nonprofit Management at Washington University in St. Louis and is currently pursuing a law degree at the University of Connecticut School of Law.

Organization/Fellow Location

Rockville, US

Impact Location

North America

United States

Organization Structure

Nonprofit

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