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Michael is the Senior Institutional Sales Director for the West Coast for U.S. Trust Philanthropic Solutions. His role is to assist the firm and its advisors when establishing business relationships with nonprofit institutions involving foundation and endowment management. He also works with the firm's high net worth clients on their philanthropy.

Michael's 30 years philanthropic involvement has extended from

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He is a frequent speaker on philanthropic trends and issues presenting at such conferences as The Stanford University Philanthropic Forum, The Western Regional Planned Giving Conference and the Jewish Federations of North America's General Assembly, as well as being quoted in The Chronicle of Philanthropy, the Los Angeles Times, the Washington Post and the Orange County Business Journal. Michael holds a BA from the University of Maryland.