



“I firmly believe impact investments can be used as a tool to both capitalize brilliant ideas, and heal and connect communities worldwide.”

Alicia DeLia

Raised between the US, Latin America and Africa, Alicia has been a leader in the global microenterprise and impact investing space for over 15 years. As an economist, impact advisor and fundraiser, she helps dynamic social enterprises grow– and ensures entrepreneurs, nonprofit leaders and impact fund managers have the financial resources and partnerships they need to thrive. Alicia also supports capital allocators in placing capital more strategically–particularly within underserved ecosystems that have been historically marginalized.

Alicia’s primary goal is to foster sustained economic prosperity through entrepreneurship. Upon receiving her graduate degree from the Center for Latin American and Caribbean Studies at New York University, she began her career as a Development Economist. Alicia worked as a practitioner and researcher across Latin America and Africa examining the role of financial institutions and microfinance institutions in poverty eradication and private capital expansion. Over the course of her career, Alicia has worked with FINCA International, Shared Interest, Columbia University’s Earth Institute, the Government of the Dominican Republic, United Nations, USAID, Rising Tide Capital, RUNWAY, Laboratoria, Black Farmer Fund, Chicago Trend Corporation and others.

To date Alicia has secured over \$120 million for social enterprises globally-- the majority of which are enterprises created and managed by underrepresented founders. In 2022 she relaunched her consulting practice, DeLia Impact Advisors, to leverage her expertise and networks to advance social entrepreneurship and impact investing worldwide.

As an advocate, speaker and thought leader, Alicia frequently hosts global convenings around themes of trust based philanthropy, restorative investing, racial equity investing, international economic development and gender lens investing. Alicia resides between tropical San Salvador, El Salvador and rural Greenpond, NJ, 1 hour outside of Manhattan. She lives with her husband, a martial arts and survival school owner, her two children and her rescue dog, Nelly.