

David Helene

Founder and
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“Beam aims to build better and smarter government systems to bring dignity to the American social safety net and support millions of people in achieving the economic mobility that puts them on path to their best lives.”



David Helene is the founder and CEO of Beam, the end-to-end platform that streamlines equitable public benefit administration.

Under his leadership, Beam has partnered with 56 governments, higher education institutions, nonprofits, and philanthropic organizations to distribute over \$200 million in aid to 300,000 households since 2020. David has helped Beam raise over \$13 million from some of the country’s most innovative impact investors, including Schmidt Futures, Spring Point Partners, the Kresge Foundation, the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, and others.

He was named to Forbes 30 Under 30 for his work at Beam.

Prior to Beam, David founded UniFi Scholars, a nonprofit college access organization where he worked with over 400 students, and spent nearly three years at The Clearing House, a financial trade association and payments company representing the country’s largest banks, where he was named the youngest Vice President in the organization’s history.

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