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Julia Stasch is immediate past president of the John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation, one of the nation's largest philanthropies. With a broad background of leadership in the business and government, she joined the Foundation in 2001 as vice president for US programs and served as the Foundation's president from 2014 through 2019.

Previously, Stasch served as chief of staff to then-Chicago Mayor Richard M. Daley, commissioner of housing for the City of Chicago, president of Shorebank Chicago Companies, deputy administrator of the 20,000-person U.S. General Services Administration in the Clinton administration, and president and COO of Chicago-based real estate development firm, Stein & Company. She currently serves as chair of the board of MacArthur affiliate, Lever for Change, whose mission is to unlock significant philanthropic capital to tackle some of the world's biggest challenges.

Stasch is a Distinguished Nonresident Senior Fellow in the Brookings Institution's Metropolitan Policy Program. She also serves as senior advisor to the philanthropic Partnership for Safe and Peaceful Communities and its efforts to reduce violence in Chicago, and board member of P33, a private sector-led effort to drive inclusive, global tech and innovation leadership in Chicagoland.

She is a summa cum laude graduate of Loyola University Chicago and holds a master's degree from the University of Illinois at Chicago.