



Social Justice Fund Application Guidelines

Deadline for Applications: 5:00 PM (AKST) April 1, 2022
Grant Requests Up to \$25,000

Purpose

The Social Justice Fund grant opportunity is designed to facilitate strategic collaborations that prioritize and promote strong civic engagement; equity and inclusion; access to quality health care and education; and community leadership. The goal of this grant program is to support Alaskans in their efforts to address the root causes of social justice issues within their communities and across the state.

Key Considerations

Priority will be given to organizations who:

- Listen to the communities it serves and incorporate community priorities in the proposed project.
- Develop and grow unique partnerships that improve the quality of life in the communities it serves.
- Represent grassroots interests with less opportunity or access to funding sources.
- Demonstrate interest in long-term, fundamental, ideological shifts in relation to social justice issues.

What type of support can you request in your application?

1) Program Expansion or Creation- Supports specific projects or programs that serve the community and are linked to an organization's primary mission.

2) Capacity and General Operating Support- Supports operations of organizations and programs directly addressing social justice issues.



Program or project focus areas could include one or more of the following:

Climate Justice	Food Systems/Agriculture	Knowledge Systems
Criminal Justice	Habitat/Biodiversity	Reentry/Recidivism
Economic Justice	Health Care	Subsistence/Food Security
Education	Homelessness	Voting Rights
Energy	Housing	Water
Environmental Justice	Immigrant Rights	Workers' Rights

Eligibility

Your organization is eligible for funding through this grant opportunity if it is one of the following:

- 501(c)3 public charitable organization with 509(a)(1), 509(a)(2), or 509(a)(3) public charitable status as designated in your IRS Determination letter
- Faith-based organization providing social services
- Federally recognized Tribes or Tribal nonprofit organizations
- City governments or Boroughs

The following are not eligible for grant funding:

- Individuals
- State or federal government agencies
- For-profit organizations or businesses
- Private nonprofit organizations (those not identified in their IRS determination letter as 509(a)(1), 509(a)(2), or 509(a)(3)
- Requests for support that do not fall within the funding guidelines outlined above
- Activities that improperly discriminate as to race, gender, marital status, sexual preference, age, disability, creed or ethnicity, or grants for religious indoctrination or other religious activities



Process

1. Review the guidelines to ensure that your organization is eligible for funding.
2. Contact the Alaska Community Foundation grant staff at (contact information below) if your organization is a strong fit with the eligibility criteria and is interested in applying. ACF is happy to discuss if your organization is a likely candidate for funding.
3. Log in to your account in ACF's online grant management account at <https://www.grantinterface.com/Home/Logon?urlkey=alaska>. If you are new to ACF's grant management system, you will need to create a new profile before applying.
4. Applicants will be asked to provide:
 - Requested grant amount
 - Project description (population served and impact)
 - Project budget and budget narrative
 - Organizational background (mission, services provided, population served)
 - Organizational budget
5. Applications can be saved in process and returned to for completion. Once an application is submitted, it cannot be modified by the applicant.

We look forward to hearing from all interested organizations that would like to apply for the Social Justice Fund grant opportunity.

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