



Funding Opportunity: Small Grants to Support Culturally Specific Domestic Violence Organizations Impacted by COVID-19

NEW DEADLINE: NOVEMBER 20, 2020

Overview

To address the disproportionate impact, particularly the economic challenges, on survivors of color due to COVID-19, 100 small grants (\$5,000 each) will be awarded to culturally specific domestic violence organizations based in the United States (including all states, territories, and tribal lands) that have been impacted by COVID-19. Funding for the grant program is made possible by The Allstate Foundation with oversight and implementation of the grant program by the National Network to End Domestic Violence (NNEDV).

Eligibility Criteria

Organizations must meet the following criteria in order to be considered:

Must be a culturally specific domestic violence organization. This is defined as either:

- **Option 1)** a nonprofit or tribal domestic violence organization with a primary purpose to serve a racial or ethnic minority community;
- **Option 2)** a community-based nonprofit or tribal organization that has a primary purpose to serve a racial or ethnic minority community and has a significant domestic violence program; or
- **Option 3)** a community-based nonprofit or tribal organization that has a primary purpose to serve a racial or ethnic minority community and an existing formal partnership with a domestic violence organization.

Primary purpose should be demonstrated via language in the organization's mission or purpose statement, which will be provided to NNEDV in the application. Organizations qualifying under options 2) or 3) will provide documentation of a significant domestic violence program or existing partnership via existing project descriptions or existing MOUs with a partner—programs are not required to create new materials for this application.

Must have an organizational budget that does not exceed \$750,000 per year. The \$750,000 budget cap is for the entire organization (including "parent" organizations if a program is housed within a larger organization), since The

Allstate Foundation is aiming to use the grant funds to lift up the smallest culturally specific programs where funding will make the greatest impact.

Organizations that were previously awarded funds through the "Small Grants to Support Local Domestic Violence Organizations Impacted by the Coronavirus (COVID-19) Pandemic" [funding opportunity](#) in April and May 2020 are not eligible to re-apply. Organizations that previously applied but did not receive funding in April and May 2020 are eligible to re-apply, provided that they meet all applicable eligibility criteria above.

Selection Criteria

Organizations will be selected based on their eligibility, demonstrated need for resources, and their ability to use funds to impact the greatest number of survivors of domestic violence.

Allowable Activities

Funding should be used to offset hardships caused by the COVID-19 pandemic and to pay for services that will help your organization respond to urgent needs. All funds must support domestic violence survivors and/or related programmatic expenses. Examples include (but are not limited to): purchasing personal protective equipment (PPE) and cleaning supplies; securing hotel rooms for shelter residents; direct cash assistance for survivors, including rent, utilities, gas cards, and food; general operating funds, including rent, mortgage, and personnel; and technology, including computers and technology subscriptions.

Reporting

If selected, awardees will be required to submit a short report within 60 days of receipt of funds to demonstrate how funds were used. Use of award funds will be restricted to the activities identified by the applicant in the following application.

Deadline

The application deadline is 11:59 PM ET on November 20, 2020.

NNEDV requests the following information to be included in an application:

1. Organization Information
 - a. Organization name
 - b. Organization 501(c)(3) nonprofit or tribal status
 - c. Organization EIN/Tax ID number
 - d. Organization mission or purpose statement
 - e. Organization type according to Eligibility Criteria
 - i. Option 1) Link to mission statement on website
 - ii. Option 2) Description of significant domestic violence program or website URL where this information can be found

- iii. Option 3) Current MOU with partner organization
- f. Organization total expenses in most recent fiscal year
- g. Organization 990 for 501(c)(3) nonprofits or approved OVW, FVSPA, or other organization budget for Tribal Organizations
- h. Number of survivors of domestic violence served by organization in the last fiscal year
- i. Racial and/or ethnic groups served by organization
- j. Organization contact information
- k. Finance/fiscal staff person contact information

2. Application Questions

- a. How is the COVID-19 pandemic affecting your organization and the survivors that you are serving?
- b. If selected, how will your organization use this small grant?
 - i. If you answered Technology (including computers), please estimate how many computers you hope to purchase and how they will be used to support your program.
- c. Briefly explain why your current funding sources are not adequate to meet the current need.
- d. Estimated number of adult survivors your organization will be able to serve with the small grant.
- e. Estimated number of children your organization will be able to serve with the small grant.
- f. Certifications and optional media contact information

The application will be available through a SurveyMonkey link that can be accessed at [SurveyMonkey.com/r/SmallGrantsOctober2020](https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/SmallGrantsOctober2020) starting on October 27, 2020 and ending at 11:59 PM ET on November 20, 2020.



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