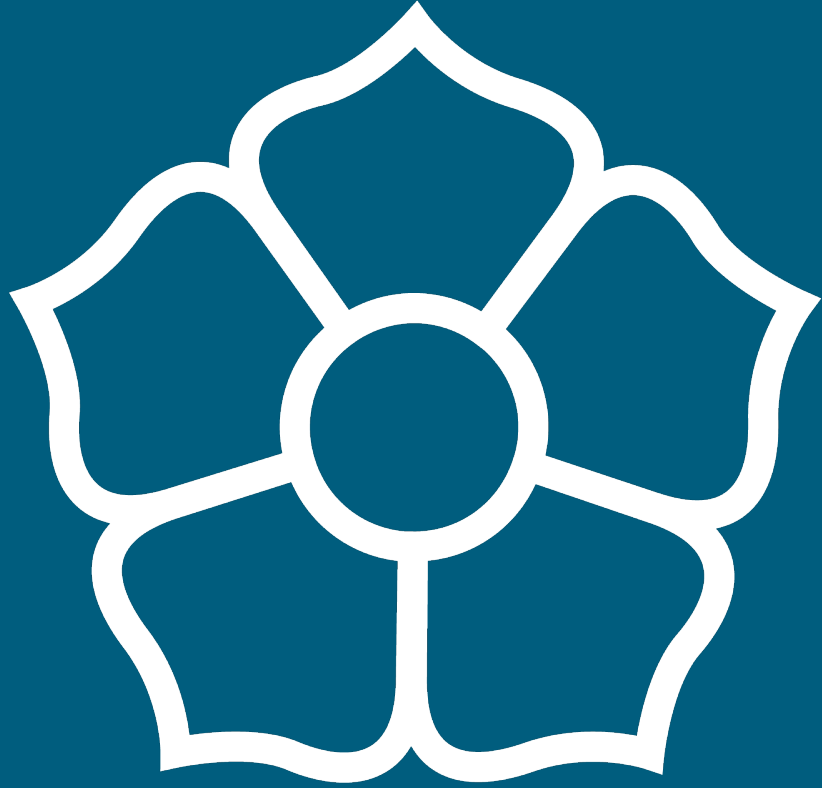


Racial Justice Grants Call

2023 Information Session



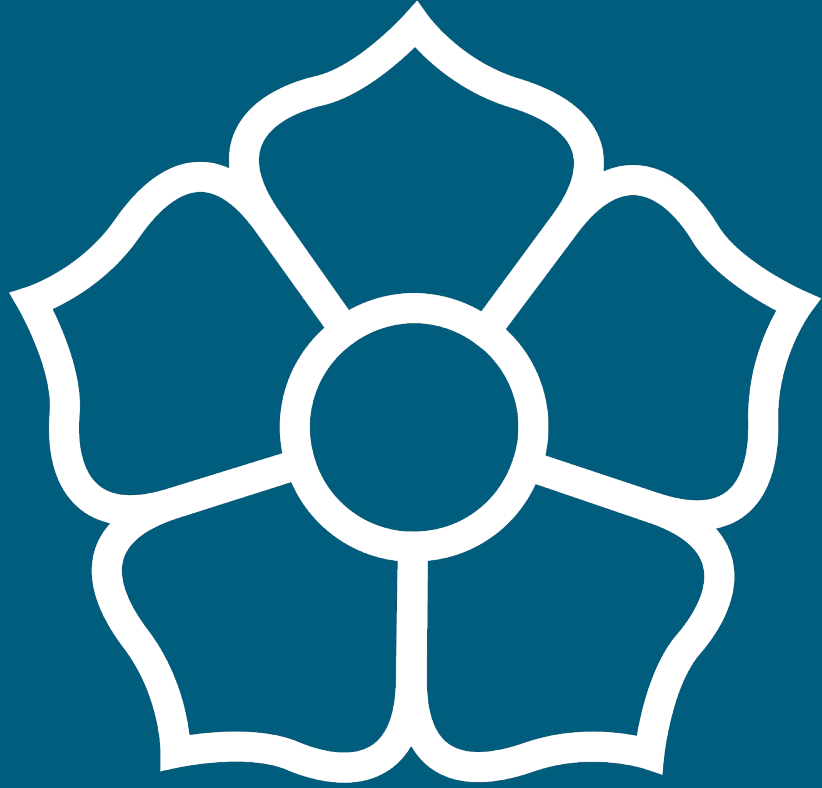
Welcome, Introductions
and Territorial Acknowledgment

Agenda

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Purpose of the Racial Justice Grants

- To work towards eradicating racial injustices within the legal/justice system, and other institutional policies and programs that impact the day to day lives of Indigenous, Black and racialized communities living across British Columbia
- To make funding available for ideas and projects that directly target and address racial injustices and build the conditions and infrastructure necessary to advance racial justice



Racial Justice Grant Framework

How does the Law Foundation define/understand Racial Justice?

Racial justice decenters whiteness, acknowledges historical and current systems of harm to create deliberate systems that support the transformation of laws and policies, and generates collective power to access, build and uphold rights including those set out in the *Charter*, Indigenous legal orders and international law, for Indigenous, Black and racialized communities.

Guiding Principles for Racial Justice Grantmaking

- The Law Foundation's current framework for racial justice grantmaking includes the following principles:
 - Community Accountability
 - Use of Anti-Racism Frame
 - Intersectionality
 - Meaningful Engagement
 - Collaborative Community Advocacy
- You can find the guiding principles under the racial justice grantmaking framework quick link on our website

<https://www.lawfoundationbc.org/project-funding/racial-justice-grants-call/>

Indigenous Justice

- Indigenous-led/Indigenous justice applications are welcome for racial justice funding call and may also be eligible for other streams of funding
- Recognition of the inherent rights to land, self-determination, and self-government of Indigenous Nations
- Requirements of additional and unique approaches to support Indigenous justice
- Funding available through the Indigenous Justice fund for Indigenous-led organizations and Nations

Contact : Indigenousjustice@lawfoundationbc.org

Funding Available for Racial Justice Development Grants

- For this second round, \$1.3M is available for Development Grants
- Groups/organizations may apply for up to \$50,000
- Grants are for activities of up to one year
- Applications from communities outside of the Greater Vancouver area will be prioritized for funding
- Grant may be used for:
 - Operating costs (i.e., the day-to-day costs of running your group/organization)
 - Capacity-building (e.g., through specific skills training and/or new tools)
 - Projects and programs

Funding Available for Development Grants (continued)

- Projects and programs can be at the ideation or planning stage
- Types of activities that could be funded include:
 - Community consultation
 - Issue identification research
 - Strategic planning
 - Assessments or feasibility studies
- Funding to sustain or expand existing projects and programs may also be considered

Eligible Groups and Organizations

- We welcome applications from:
 - Existing charities and non-profit organizations
 - Collaborative entities or groups
 - People who are seeking to establish new organizations, collaboratives or groups
- Grant-seekers do not need to be registered charities or have qualified donee status
- Grant-seekers also do not need to identify themselves as specifically law-focused groups or organizations

Eligibility and Funding Criteria

To be eligible for funding, applications must:

- Primarily benefit racialized people and communities living in British Columbia
- Be connected to and seeking to advance racial justice (aligned with the Law Foundation's framework for racial justice grantmaking)
- Align with one or more of the Law Foundation's mandate areas

Mandate Areas

The Law Foundation has five mandated funded areas:

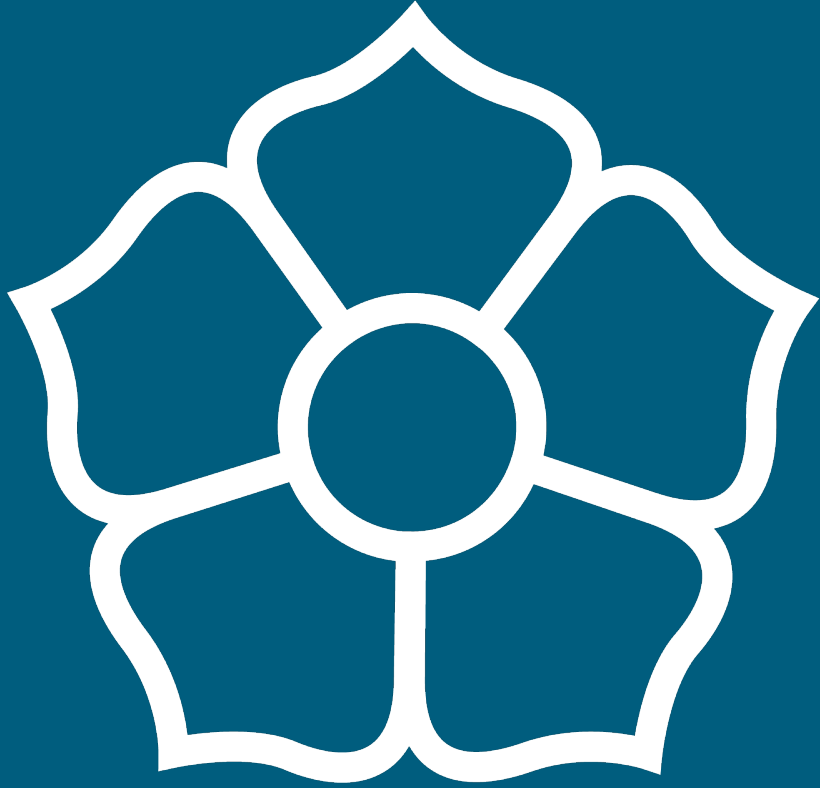
- Legal education
- Legal research
- Legal aid
- Law reform
- Law libraries

Strategic Priority Area:

Strengthening structural inclusion and systemic access to justice

What are Ineligible Projects?

- Applications whose main purpose is the production of research studies, educational resources, and reports
- Initiatives to fund diversity, equity and inclusion training for board/staff of organizations or program audits



Examples of Funded Groups and Projects

City in Colour

- City in Colour is an urban consultancy
- City in Colour is based in Surrey and is part of Solid State Cooperatives
- The Development Grant has supported City in Colour in undertaking community-based research



Coalition of African, Caribbean and Black Nurses in BC

- CACBN is a grassroots organization
- CACBN was formed in 2020 to respond to anti-Black racism in BC's healthcare system
- The Development Grant has supported CACBN to advance the rights of Black healthcare workers through capacity building

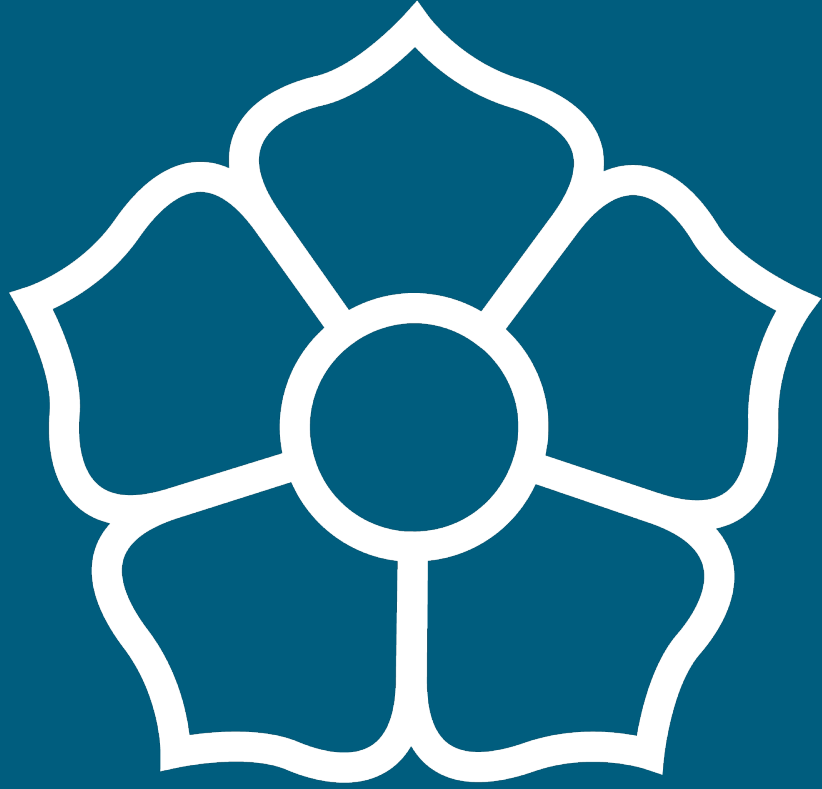


West Coast LEAF

- West Coast LEAF is a public interest legal organization
- The grant funding was used to carry out consultations, expert-interviews and community organizing activities to ensure racialized communities' perspectives and experiences could be considered in BC's Pay Transparency Legislation



West Coast LEAF



Application Process

How to Apply

- One-step application process
- Five narrative questions and a series of fill-in fields
- No budget is required but may be requested at a later stage
- Applications must be submitted using SmartSimple
- Applications will be accepted until 5 PM PST on August 3, 2023
- Applicants will receive an automatic confirmation email after submission
- A three-question survey is included with the confirmation email for feedback

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Register

The Law Foundation of British Columbia Grant Management Portal

The Law Foundation of British Columbia is a non-profit foundation. We receive and distribute the interest on clients' funds held in lawyers' pooled trust accounts maintained in financial institutions.

We fund projects and programs throughout BC that benefit the public in the following areas: legal education, legal research, legal aid, law reform, and law libraries.

For our website, visit:

<https://www.lawfoundationbc.org>.

www.lawfoundationbc.smartsimple.ca

Registration

I am applying as a:

Organization

Individual

Eligibility Quiz

* Are you applying for funding from the Law Foundation of BC?

Please Select ▼

Please Select

Yes

No

Submit

Organization Information



Instruction

Please fill out all information below.

* Organization Name



* Country

--- Select One ---



* Address

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* City

* Province



* Postal Code

Phone

Website

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Funding Opportunities

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New Grant



Grant Type:

Foundation Staff:

PROJECT OVERVIEW

ORGANIZATION

PROGRAM

Application Guidelines

Application Overview

This application consists of four required narrative questions, one optional narrative question, and a series of fill-in fields. The application is divided into three sections (Project Overview, Organization, and Program) and each section has its own tab.

Application Assessment

Applications will be reviewed and assessed for alignment with the Law Foundation's racial justice grantmaking framework and the granting priorities for this round of funding, as outlined in the funding call. To review the grantmaking framework, please click [HERE](#)

Requested Amount

Please note that a detailed budget is not required at this time. We understand that at this early stage, it may not be possible for you to provide this information, and that even if you provide an estimate, as you develop the proposal, the requested amount may change. You may provide an approximate amount (up to a maximum of \$50,000).

Start and End Dates

Please note that Development Grants are intended to support up to one year of activity and the Law Foundation expects to communicate decisions in November 2023.

Word Limit

We have set a limit of 500 words (approximately one page length) for each narrative question. The word limit is set to respect grant-seekers' time and reduce the pressure to figure out every aspect of the project at this point. In addition, it allows the Foundation to review applications efficiently. If you have additional information to communicate about your proposed project or idea, we ask you use the optional fifth question at the end of the application (Foundation staff will also reach out during review of applications, if any additional information or clarity is needed). If the word limits continue to create challenges in completing this application, we invite your feedback related to word limits via the survey link included at the end of the application process.

Fiscal Responsibility

If funded, you will need to determine whether your organization/group can accept and administer grant funds. Alternatively, you can partner with a collaborator organization that can receive and manage the funds on behalf of your organization/group. Please note there is a question about fiscal responsibility under the Organization tab.

Feedback Survey

After you complete and submit your application, you will receive an email invitation to participate in a short feedback survey. Please complete the survey to help us improve our grantmaking process.

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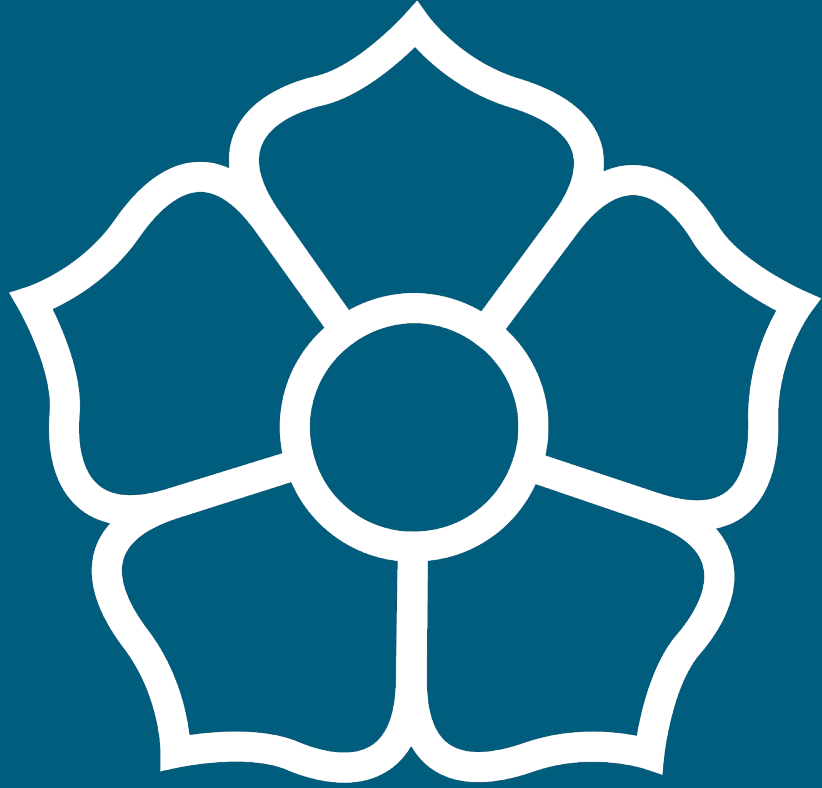
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PDF Version of the Application for Review

<https://www.lawfoundationbc.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/06/Racial-Justice-Application-Preview-Sample.pdf>

Questions or assistance

- FAQ available: <https://www.lawfoundationbc.org/racial-justice-faq/>
- Questions for staff can be directed to rjgc@lawfoundationbc.org



Grant Review and Recommendation Process

Review and Recommendations

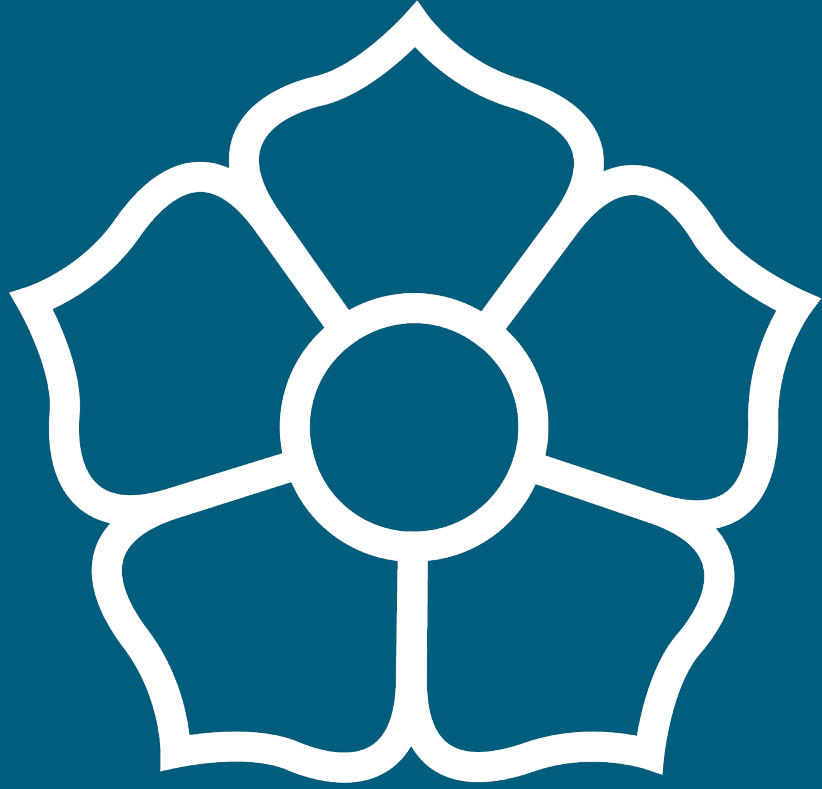
- Eligible applications will be reviewed by staff
- Staff may request additional information and/or ask clarifying questions regarding your application
- Competitive applications will be recommended for funding and advanced for a final review and approval by the Law Foundation's New Grants Committee

Grant Assessment

- Competitive applications will be:
 - Led by, focused on serving, and accountable to racialized communities (Community Accountability guiding principle)
 - Able to demonstrate an understanding/analysis of structural racism (Use of Anti-Racism Frame guiding principle)
 - Aligned with one or more of the other guiding principles from the Foundation's Racial Justice grantmaking framework (Intersectionality; Meaningful Engagement, Collaborative Community Advocacy)
 - Connected to at least one of the Foundation's five mandate areas
 - Priority will be given to communities outside of the Greater Vancouver area

Timeline

- Deadline for applications: August 3
- Application review period: August to September
- New Grants Committee review and grant adjudication meeting: October
- Decisions to be communicated: November



Questions?