

## **COVID-19 Emergency Grants for Fellows**

Echoing Green has set up a process to provide emergency grants to Fellows and Alumni as they adapt their work for maximum impact during the COVID-19 pandemic.

## **Grant Amount**

The amount disbursed is determined solely through selection criteria. As of July 22, 2020, we have USD 100,000 in unrestricted funds to disburse to Fellows and Alumni adapting their work to address COVID-19's impacts. Grants will be disbursed in the amounts of USD 2,500, USD 5,000, and USD 10,000 based on our eligibility and selection criteria.

## **Eligibility**

Echoing Green is actively fundraising to disburse emergency grants to Fellows responding to COVID-19's impacts. As this is a limited, time-bound fund, we have established baseline eligibility for our grant selection. The only way to apply for these monies is through the official COVID-19 Response form. To be considered for this grant, you must be an Echoing Green Fellow and meet all of the following requirements:

- Be a full-time employee in a leadership role at your Echoing Green-funded organization
- Submit a request with a specific COVID-19-related need
- Have an organizational bank account or fiscal sponsor to receive the funds

## **Selection Criteria**

\*Please note that due to our limited amount in funds, priority for this second round will be given to Fellows and Alumni who did not receive funding during our first round of disbursements.

Because this is a limited, time-bound fund, we established selection criteria, which Fellows should review before considering to apply for a grant. Although fundraising for these grants is still in progress, we acknowledge the challenge of distributing these grants knowing that the size of the applicant pool may exceed the limited funds available. We ask Fellows to consider their community needs and their short-term urgency for funding before applying. We will give preference to grant applicants who meet at least one of the criterion below:

Face immediate financial needs

- Have not received funds from other sources
- Are working at intersection of racial equity
- Are prioritizing their work toward serving communities vulnerable to and/or highly impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic\*

\*We acknowledge that the definition of "vulnerable communities" will differ. To provide examples of communities particularly vulnerable to or highly impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic, we are considering various health and social policy impacts including: people with compromised immune systems; the elderly; people with pre-existing conditions; communities of color; people experiencing homelessness; and incarcerated people. This list is not exhaustive; applicants should otherwise explain if and how the populations they serve have been impacted.