

Summary of National Partner Grant Guidelines for The Fund for the Me Too Movement and Allies

The Fund for the Me Too Movement and Allies: Overview

In 2018, The New York Women's Foundation, in partnership with Tarana Burke, launched The Fund for the Me Too Movement and Allies (the "Fund") with a specific focus on supporting the activists, leaders, and advocates in the 'me too' movement and allies. The Fund has a community-centered approach and supports programs and initiatives that are working on the prevention and elimination of sexual violence and harassment and the healing of survivors and victims.

The Fund is housed and managed by The New York Women's Foundation. Rooted in the principles of inclusiveness, The Fund will partner with other philanthropic organizations and donors to ensure ongoing philanthropic investments towards transforming the oppressive systems that produce structural inequalities of power that result in harassment and violence. The Fund will bring much needed focus on economically vulnerable women and support to activists of color working in disproportionately affected communities. It will center marginalized voices—women of color, immigrant, cis and trans, queer people, differently abled and poor people. Through the Fund, The Foundation will continue to amplify its efforts to support strategies that address the root causes of gender-based violence and racism at the individual, community and systemic levels.

Specifically, the goals of The Fund are to:

- Disrupt sexual violence and harassment
- Support individual and community healing
- Shift policies and practices to eliminate sexual violence and harassment

Priority Strategies and Approaches:

The Fund seeks national partners engaging a community-centered and survivor-led approach in support of programs and initiatives that are working on the prevention and elimination of sexual violence and harassment and the healing of survivors, victims and communities. In 2019, we are seeking national partners able to support local work at the individual, community and systemic change level in efforts to:

- Advance holistic strategies at the intersections of economic security, health, and safety that promote the overall well-being and thriving of survivors
- Support individual and community healing, including transformational direct services and community-led approaches to healing, restorative and transformative justice
- Shift policies, practices and cultural norms to disrupt the root causes of and eliminate sexual violence, harassment and other forms of gender-based violence
- Expand opportunities for survivor-leadership in the field

Priority Communities:

The Fund prioritizes the needs of under-invested communities of women, girls and gender non-binary populations of all ages. Examples include, but are not limited to:

- Survivors of sexual violence;
- Women and girls of color;
- Native/Indigenous individuals;
- Older adult women;
- Women and girls involved or formerly involved in the criminal/juvenile justice systems;
- Girls/gender non-binary youth involved with child welfare and/or family court;
- Individuals with disabilities;
- Pregnant and parenting teens;
- Immigrant and refugee women and girls;
- Homeless women/transient women and families;
- Women and girls who are differently abled;
- LGBTQ women, girls and gender non-binary individuals.

FUNDING RESTRICTIONS

The Fund does **NOT** provide funds for:

- Campaigns to elect candidates to public office
- Capital fund projects or endowments
- Fundraising events
- Individuals
- Needs assessments or feasibility studies
- Organizations that do not comply with federal, state, or local equal employment statutes
- Organizations that promote religious activities or agendas
- Public or private schools, colleges or universities
- Real estate purchases
- Summer-only programs