



BFSTL Membership Meeting
Thursday – September 17, 2020
5:30 – 7:00 pm

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Meeting Agenda

1. Welcome
2. Committee Updates

Communications and Events – no updates

Compliance - financials and membership renewals

Grants- approval of BPM 2020 applicants

Membership - engagement from membership

3. 2021 Visioning
4. Other Business

Next Meeting: November 12, 2020 5:30-7pm



Committee Updates

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Grants



- 2020 Black Philanthropy Month Grant Recommendations

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Month Grant
Recommendations**

2020 Funding Priorities

(Reminder)

- Funding Priority: Capacity building for organizations engaged in civic engagement
- Civic engagement is defined as but not limited to:
 - ❑ Short-term voter engagement
 - ❑ Voter registration/turnout events
 - ❑ Ongoing civic education and/or action
 - ❑ Educating public on:
 - ❑ Roles and responsibilities of public officials
 - ❑ Roles and responsibilities of the citizen

2020 Funding Priorities

(Reminder)

- Organizational Type
 - Black-led non-profits with budget \$100,000 and below

- Number of Awards
 - 3 grants awarded

- Award Amount
 - \$3,000

Black History Month Grant Cycle Canceled

- Outbreak and subsequent quarantine due to Covid-19 led to the cancelation of Black History Month grant cycle
- Organizations had other monetary needs and constraints unrelated to the grant funding priorities
- BFSTL deemed it necessary to allow organizations the time and space needed to see their way through the quarantine period.

Black Philanthropy Month Grant Cycle Changes

- Timing of Black Philanthropy Month Grant Cycle and the upcoming 2020 election cycle necessitated a change the grants selection process.
- Instead of a public call for proposals, the Black Funders held a private, invitation-only grant cycle.
- Organizations invited had a known history of participating in civic engagement activities.

2020 Black Philanthropy Month Grant Cycle –Invitees

- A Red Circle
- Action STL
- MO Faith Voices
- Organization for Black Struggle

2020 Black Philanthropy Month Grant Cycle –Applied and Recommended

- A Red Circle
- Action STL
- MO Faith Voices*

2020 Black Philanthropy Month Grant Applications – Applied and Recommended

A Red Circle

- Leading up to October 3, community volunteers will travel in North County to register voters and notarize ballots. We will host a training event via Facebook Live on September 4 at 6 p.m.
- Drive-up registration on October 3 and education, virtually, on October 23.
- Zip Codes reached: 63120, 21, 63133, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 63031, 33, 34, and 42.

2020 Black Philanthropy Month Grant Applications – Applied and Recommended

Action STL

- Educate voters on issues such as Missouri Amendment 3 which seeks to undo fair map redistricting rules that 80% of voters in the State of Missouri passed in 2018.
- Attaching voter registration to other ongoing field campaigns, such as current Census engagement outreach.
- Zip Codes reached: 63147, 63115, 63120, 63112, 63113, 63106, 63107

2020 Black Philanthropy Month Grant Applications – Applied and Recommended

*MO Faith Voices**

- Focused on those who were least likely to be compelled to be counted through registration as multiple engagement of low propensity voters.
- Attaching voter registration to other ongoing field campaigns, such as current Census engagement outreach.
- Zip codes/regions reached: Wards 18, 21, 26; Zip codes 63113, 63115, 63121; Wells Goodfellow, 24:1 communities.

2020 Black Philanthropy Month Grant Applications – Applied and Recommended

*MO Faith Voices**

- There was an issue with the receipt of MO Faith Voices' budget document.
- Grants committee reached out to the contact; however, this person had recently sustained serious injuries in an accident and is in recovery.
- Grants committee is seeking tentative approval from membership with the right to renounce if the budget document shows any concern.

Compliance

- Grant Balance as of August 31, 2020
 - \$26,912.55
- Bank Balance as of August 31, 2020
 - \$3,289.45

Compliance

- Membership Dues
 - Initial membership dues can be paid anytime during the year
 - Your membership dues renewal date is the following year in the respective quarter you became a member.

Compliance

- Membership Dues
 - In addition to full payment by check or PayPal, individuals are eligible to make split payments to BFSTL via PayPal
 - Split payments will require \$150 as the initial payment and the remaining \$150 due within the same quarter of the initial payment
 - Split payments will only be accepted if the full \$300.00 is paid within the same quarter
 - If the full \$300 is not paid within a specified quarter than the initial payment of \$150 will be considered a donation
 - Dues paid via PayPal will not received a donation letter for tax purposes. Only checks made payable to Deaconess will receive a donation letter for tax purposes

Membership

- General Updates
 - Black Philanthropy Month Webinar Series
 - Membership Committee overview
 - Outreach to 15 potential candidates for membership
 - Website Updates (user friendly for membership applications)
 - Revised membership engagement strategies

Thanks!

Any questions?

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