Emerging Philanthropists of Color
2021 Grant Application
Deadline: August 31, 2021

Opportunity: Two grants of $2,500 each will be awarded.

Applicants may apply for one award to enhance an existing project/program or to create a new project/program. Applications will be reviewed, and grants awarded by the Emerging Philanthropists of Color (EPC). Finalists must make a three-minute virtual presentation and may answer two follow-up questions in support of their project/program. Presentations will take place on October 14, 2021. The checks will be presented at the Pay It Forward Award ceremony on November 4, 2021.

Nonprofit organizations are eligible for an award by meeting the following requirements:

1) Organization has tax-exempt status under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.
2) Organization has an operating budget of less than $1,000,000.
3) Organization’s work has a positive impact on youth of color in the city of Buffalo, Niagara Falls, or Lackawanna.
4) Organization’s proposed project respects and promotes diversity AND one (1) or more of the following:
   a. Improves educational achievement for students living in low-income households
   b. Increases racial/ethnic equity
   c. Protects and restores significant environmental resources and promotes equitable access
   d. Strengthens the region as a center for architecture, arts, and culture

Online grant application completion instructions:

1) Answer the following questions. Be clear, specific and concise.
   - What is your organization’s mission?
   - How does your organization meet the needs of youth of color in the city of Buffalo, Niagara Falls, or Lackawanna?
   - Why do you believe your project is needed?
     o You may wish to include survey results or statistics.
   - Who will benefit from the project and how?
   - What is your project work plan? List major activities/steps with completion dates.
   - Please upload the following information:
     o Project budget
     o Copy of organization’s operating budget
     o List of Board Member demographics and participation

2) Submit your online Grant Application no later than 4 PM on August 31, 2021.
3) You may send questions about the process to epc@cfgb.org.
4) Please note that all grant-funded projects must be completed on or before November 30, 2022. In addition, each awarded organization must complete and submit a final report within THIRTY (30) days of project completion.