



**Funding Announcement: Prevention Through Liberation (PTL) Grant Program**

**Released:** August 5th, 2024

**Applications due:** September 20th, 2024

**Project Description:**

The Oregon Coalition Against Domestic and Sexual Violence (OCADSV), in collaboration with Oregon Health Authority, is releasing the Prevention Through Liberation (PTL) 2024-2025 Grant Program. Up to \$25,000 will be awarded to 1-3 culturally specific, Tribal, or culturally responsive community-based sexual violence prevention programs. This funding is designed to support capacity building focused on anti-oppression work as primary prevention of sexual violence among marginalized communities. The PTL project emphasizes work by and for communities targeted by oppression.

Funding is designed to grow capacity to build and further develop primary prevention practices in communities impacted by systems of oppression. We are excited to welcome applications from organizations that: are led by-and-for the communities that the program aims to engage; strive to dismantle systems of oppression and promote liberation; strive to address root causes of violence; practice alternatives to the dominant 'one size fits all' approach to prevention; engage in creative approaches to violence prevention; and strengthen community relationships.

**Grant Program:**

Funding will be given to projects focused on growing prevention practice capacity by/for the following communities.

Black people, Indigenous peoples, and other People of Color (BIPOC); sex workers; people who are currently and formerly incarcerated; trans, Two-Spirit, non-binary, and gender nonconforming people; queer people; disabled people; youth with developmental and physical disabilities; people who are immigrants & refugees; people who are deaf & hard of hearing; and people belonging to other communities who are most impacted by systems of oppression.

Capacity building projects can include (and are NOT limited) to the following:

- Resource building
- Research and information gathering
- Relationship and network building
- Organizational preparedness
- Strengthening ongoing prevention work

A proposed strategy can be as expansive and imaginative as you would like it to be. It could be cultural cooking classes or funds to run a tabletop roleplaying session. If you have any questions about the above please feel free to reach out to [gibson@ocadsv.org](mailto:gibson@ocadsv.org)

### **Timeline:**

- Application period opens: August 5th, 2024
- Application period closes: September 20th, 2024
- Applicants notified: September 25th, 2024
- Funding begins: October 1st, 2024
- Funding ends: September 30th, 2025

\*Funded project kick-off meeting tentatively scheduled for October 3rd at 3pm PST

### **Funding Availability:**

Up to \$25,000 will be awarded to 1-3 projects  
Applicants may apply for the full \$25,000 or lesser amounts based on need  
S/DV organizations can pass through funds to community organizations with whom memorandum of understanding (MOUs) have been established  
Total number and dollar amount of awards is dependent upon funds available and the number and scope of submitted proposals

### **Eligibility:**

1. 501(c)3 [culturally-specific programs](#) that are either working to end violence in Oregon.  
or
2. Tribal programs.  
or
3. 501(c)3 community-based sexual violence/dual OCADSV member programs.

We strongly encourage projects that are led or comprised of youth/minors to apply. The grant requires a signature from a person over 18 and fiscal sponsorship from one of the above listed eligible programs, however funded projects can be completely led by youth/minor.

### **How to Apply:** Applications can be submitted:

- 1.) online by [clicking here](#)
- 2.) via pre-recorded video (30-minute limit; please include responses from the project narrative questions below and click here to upload additional documents)
- 3.) during a recorded online meeting (please email [gibson@ocadsv.org](mailto:gibson@ocadsv.org) to schedule)

**Application Project Narrative:**

- Brief overview of your organization, including your mission, history, program areas, and the communities you serve
- Brief proposed project description (250-500 words)
- Description of how proposed project focuses on prevention by and for marginalized communities and addresses oppression as the root cause of violence (500 word limit)
- Please explain how the proposed project is socially, culturally, and/or economically relevant to the communities you are working with (500 word limit)
- Description of goals and activities to meet the project goals
- A description of how success of the project will be evaluated
- If applicable, describe the community organizations and/or key community leaders you plan to work with. Additionally, please explain how you will work together
- Amount of the request
- Project budget (template available below)
- Project timeline

**Required Additional Application Documents:**

- A cover letter signed by the authorized signer verifying the accuracy of the proposal and authorizing the request. The letter should include:
  - An email address, mailing address, and phone number for both the executive director and primary contact person for the grant request, if different
- Description of organizations board, leadership, and staff- including a description of board and leaderships commitment to the project
- Nondiscrimination policy:
  - A copy of your organization's nondiscrimination policy. We expect that your policy will explicitly cover staff, leadership, volunteers, and the people you serve; if it does not, please provide a description of your organization's nondiscrimination practices
- Verification of tax-exempt status

**MOU/Letters of support**

- If the primary applicant is not itself a culturally-specific or Tribal program, a mandatory MOU and/or letters of support from culturally specific partners or Tribal program is required

**Additional Resources**

Project budget template ([click here for budget template](#))

**Resources:**

- [Prevention Through Liberation Paper](#)
- [Lifting Up Transformative Approaches to D/SV Prevention: A Participatory Research Report From Mapping Prevention](#)
- [Sexual Assault Task Force \(SATF\) Prevention Toolkits](#)
- [New York State Coalition Against DV Dismantling Oppression Prevention Toolkit](#)

If you have questions specific to the application and/or process, please email [gibson@ocadsv.org](mailto:gibson@ocadsv.org)