



RESIST

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Funding Guidelines

Since it's beginning in 1967, Resist has given more than 2,000 small but timely grants and loans to groups and organizations working for peace and social justice. While our major activity at this moment is raising money and making grants this was not always true. Resist was formed to support draft resistance and to oppose the war in Vietnam. In 1967 we issued a "Call to Resist Illegitimate Authority," (which is where we got our name) and members of Resist were active in supporting the draft resistance and anti-war movement, many of them were indicted for these activities. The Resist board solicited money to help build these movements, and allocating grants became a regular part of its meetings. As the war continued and as we developed a greater understanding of the way the war was connected to unequal distribution of power and money at home and a system of American domination abroad, the scope of Resist's work became broader.

What this means is that Resist is not like a regular foundation. At the core we remain a political organization and try to make our decisions about grants in light of what we consider to be the strengths and weaknesses of our movement today. Because our funds are limited we also make our decisions in light of alternative sources of funds that might be available, trying as much as possible to concentrate our support on organizations or projects that fall outside the guidelines of other funding organizations.

How To Apply

It's easy to apply for a Resist grant. We now have an application form for grant requests. If it is not included with these guidelines, please write us and we'll send it.

One of the purposes of Resist is to help raise money for organizations that don't have many alternatives and don't have time or money to put into elaborate fund raising campaigns. There are about 30 people on the Resist board and board meetings are held approximately eight times a year or about every six weeks. Because we meet so frequently we can't be specific about deadlines for proposals, which are about three weeks prior to meetings. You can either take your chances getting a proposal to us, or call before you submit a request to get the date of the next deadline. We usually have 20-35 applications for each meeting, depending on the time of year. Grants given are between \$100 and \$600. Resist will fund a group only once per grant year except where noted below.

GRANTS

• Specific project & project budget

While Resist occasionally gives grants for general support, we prefer to make grants for a specific purpose, campaign, project or piece of equipment. In addition to what you write about your group or organization on the Resist application form, we need to know about the specific purpose for which you are requesting funds and how it fits into the overall goals and purpose of your organization. If you are requesting funding for a piece of office equipment, let us know why it's needed.

Projects that help you advertise your work, issue or project to a larger audience are good things to apply to Resist for. Types of projects that we've funded in the past include: newsletters, subscription drives, fund raising campaigns, brochures, leaflets about events or issues, slide shows, office equipment—including typewriters, projectors, answering machines, computer hard/software, copying machines.

• Printed material of group

In addition to what you write about yourself, please include copies of recent publicity about your work including

newsletters, news clippings, annual reports, brochures, etc. Please include just a few. If you are in doubt about what to include, or have any other questions, please give the Resist office a call.

• Resist doesn't fund...

When we consider your proposal we will think about the kind of impact a small Resist grant will have on your project. Because of the small size of our grants we do not fund: **the production of films or videos** (although we do fund distribution and advertising costs); **legal defense costs** (but we do fund support work); **individuals**; **projects primarily social service oriented**; **material aid campaigns**; **projects outside the U.S.; or travel expenses.**

• Resist priority issues

Although we fund projects on a wide spectrum of political issues, every six months or so the board decides which issues are priorities for funding. In some cases the decision is based on the fact that we have received very few proposals on an important issue and in other cases it is because of the political situation at the time. For these issues, we do special outreach and also, priority issues projects may be considered for funding twice within the same year. For information about our current priorities, please call or write the Resist office.

• Accessibility

A new policy at Resist reflects our commitment to supporting projects that enable all people to participate in the movement for social justice. If you have a project or event that you would like to make accessible to people with disabilities (examples: signing for events or publications for the hearing impaired, wheelchair accessibility, taping of events for the sight impaired), please apply to Resist in the same manner as other proposals; the consideration process is the same. If a group does apply to Resist for an accessibility project, they may also apply again within the same grant year for another and different project.

LOANS

Resist has initiated a revolving loan fund for groups who are planning direct mailings, fund raising events, subscription campaigns and other projects that are intended to raise money. Groups can also apply to

the Resist loan fund if they need advance payments on buses for transportation to a march or rally.

Loans are available in increments of \$100 up to \$1,000. Loan recipients are expected to repay the loan within two months unless a specific agreement has been made with Resist for a longer term loan. Groups are also encouraged, but not required, to pay 5% interest on the loan for the purposes of expanding the loan fund.

Application procedures for loans are the same as for grants and are considered at Resist board meetings. Decisions on loans are based on the potential success of the project, the group's ability to repay the loan, as well as the other considerations applied to all proposals.

EMERGENCY GRANTS

Resist has an emergency grant procedure with which we can provide groups with a maximum of \$150 within one or two days for emergency purposes. It is impossible to precisely define what constitutes an emergency, however here are a few examples of situations for which we've given such grant in the past:

- A broad based coalition of activist groups quickly came together to plan a demonstration and a mock trial to organize support against the nomination of Robert Bork to the Supreme Court. They needed funds for leaflets;
- The trailer truck carrying food and supplies to Big Mountain in Arizona from a group in the Northwest was in an accident in California. They sent another van to get the supplies and it also was disabled. The group needed funds fast to cover the costs of repairs;
- A local committee for the October Gay & Lesbian March on Washington needed to do a fund raising mailing and a leaflet for volunteer help. At that point, they were getting great enthusiasm for the March but little money. A Resist emergency grant helped them to start their organizing which resulted in thousands of people going to D.C. from their area.

Grants and Loans 1988

Africa/Asia/International

Afrika Baraza (Roxbury, MA) \$100*
Iowa Citizen Action Network (Des Moines) \$200
Korea Information & Resource Center (Washington, DC) \$600
Philippine Workers Support Committee (Honolulu, HI) \$500
Survival International/USA (Washington, DC) \$100
Synapses, Inc. (Chicago, IL) \$450

Central, Latin America & Caribbean Work

Association of Central American Refugees (Harlingen, TX) \$525
Association of Haitian Workers (Brooklyn, NY) \$370
Baltimore CALC (MD) \$450
Boston Area Committee for Puerto Rican Civil Rights (MA) \$450
Brooklyn Sister City Project (NY) \$200
Center for Central American Studies (Silver Spring, MD) \$200
Center for Constitutional Rights (NY, NY) \$100
Central America Alternative News (Boulder, CO) \$500
Central America Refugee Committee (San Francisco, CA) \$600
Comite de Guatemala "Iximche" (Cambridge, MA) \$600
Committee in Defense of Immigrant Rights (Seattle, WA) \$150*
Committee in Solidarity with the People of Guatemala (NY, NY) \$600
Delaware Valley CISPES (Philadelphia, PA) \$450
Delaware County Pledge of Resistance (Swarthmore, PA) \$450
El Salvador Peace & Justice Committee (Chicago, IL) \$500
El Salvador: The People Are Winning Support & Education Committee (Somerville, MA) \$150*
FL Coalition for Peace & Justice (Orlando) \$500
Guatemala News & Information Bureau (Oakland, CA) \$600
Guatemala Publications (NY, NY) \$500
Haiti Progres (Brooklyn, NY) \$150*
Informe Colombiano (NY, NY) \$550
Inter-Hemispheric Resource & Education Center (Albuquerque, NM) \$500
Las Americas Refugee Asylum Project (El Paso, TX) \$425
Let Nicaragua Live/Greater Boston Task Force (Arlington, MA) \$400
Maestros por la Paz (San Francisco, CA) \$500
Mobilization for Peace, Jobs & Justice (San Francisco, CA) \$600
Network in Solidarity with the Guatemalan People (Washington, DC) \$500
New England Central America Network (Cambridge, MA) \$550
New England-El Salvador Art Exchange (Boston, MA) \$545
N.E. Planning Committee for C.A. Labor Leaders Tour (Cambridge, MA) \$450
N.H. Central America Network (Wentworth) \$600
Nicaragua Cultural Alliance (Washington, DC) \$200
The Other Americas Radio (Santa Barbara, CA) \$200
PA Guard Out of Central America (Media, PA) \$200
St. Louis Pledge of Resistance (MO) \$600
Vets Fast for Life/Vets Peace Action Teams (San Francisco, CA) \$500
Washington Area Coalition to Stop U.S. War in Central America (D.C.) \$100*
Women's Skills & Resource Exchange (Seattle, WA) \$200
Women's Theatre Project (San Diego, CA) \$500
Working Classroom, Inc. (Albuquerque, NM) \$500

Community Organizing/Anti-Racism Work
Center for Community Action (Lumberton, NC) \$600
Coalition for Basic Human Needs (Cambridge, MA) \$150*
Equal Rights Congress (Chicago, IL) \$100

Homefront (Boston, MA) \$150*
Hotel Tenants Rights Project (NY, NY) \$600
Inner City Press (Bronx, NY) \$150*
North Carolinians Against Racist and Religious Violence (Durham) \$500
Rainbow Coalition of Vermont (Montpelier, VT) \$400
San Jose Peace Center/Planning Committee, "Undoing Racism" Workshop (CA) \$350
Survivors, Inc. (Mattapan, MA) \$450

Cultural & Media Work

Radical America/Alternative Education Project (Somerville, MA) \$400
Street Magazine (Somerville, MA) \$200
Syracuse Cultural Workers (NY) \$370

Gay/Lesbian

ACLU Commission of Gay & Lesbian Rights (Portland, OR) \$600
All Mujeres Interested in Getting Active (Houston, TX) \$150* and \$400
Citizens for Human Rights in Lawrence (KS) \$350
Gay & Lesbian Advocates and Defenders (Boston, MA) \$370
Gay & Lesbian Alliance (Roseburg, OR) \$100
Gay Community News (Boston, MA) \$600
Guilford Alliance for Gay & Lesbian Equality (Greensboro, NC) \$500
Lesbian Herstory Archives/DOB Project (NY, NY) \$500
National Coalition of Black Lesbians & Gays (Detroit, MI) \$500
Northern Lambda (Caribou, ME) \$550
Pittsburgh March Committee (PA) \$100*
Privacy Rights Education Project (St. Louis, MO) \$350
San Diego Lesbian Press (CA) \$480

Health/AIDS/Disability Organizing

ACT NOW (Washington, DC) \$500
ACT UP (NY, NY) \$500
Black & White Men Together (Memphis, TN) \$600
Mass Act Out (Somerville, MA) \$100* and \$550
Men of All Colors Together (Westport, MA) \$450
N.H. Citizen Action (Concord) \$370
Testing the Limits (NY, NY) \$450
We The People (Orlando) \$500

Labor

Black Workers for Justice (Durham, NC) \$150* and \$450
Labor Education & Research Project (Detroit, MI) \$500
Teamster Rank & File Education & Legal Defense Foundation (Detroit, MI) \$100
Tompkins/Cortland Labor Coalition (Ithaca, NY) \$200
United Cannery Workers' Project (Woodland, CA) \$450

Middle East

Center for Palestinian Information (Seattle, WA) \$450
Committee for Justice to Stop the McCarran Act Deportations (Arlington, MA) \$100
Coalition for Palestinian Rights (Cambridge, MA) \$600
International Jewish Peace Union (NY, NY) \$200
Middle East Peace Coalition (Northampton, MA) \$200
Middle East Research & Information Project (NY, NY) \$500
Mobilization for Survival/Middle East Task Force (Cambridge, MA) \$400
National Alliance of Third World Journalists (Washington, DC) \$360
North American Coordinating Committee for NGOs on the Question of Palestine (Jamaica Plain, MA) \$300
Palestine Aid Society of Boston (MA) \$150*
Palestine Solidarity Committee/Latino Task Force (Jamaica Plain, MA) \$200
Palestine Solidarity Committee (Pittsburgh, PA) \$450
Richmond Peace Education Center (VA) \$450

Native American

Alaska Rights Consultants (Chickaloon) \$500
Anishinabe Akeeng (White Earth, MN) \$500
Center for Vision and Policy (Portland, ME) \$600
Citizens for Treaty Rights (Eagle River, WI) \$200
Ikwe Community Education Project (Osage, MN) \$500

Peace/Anti-militarism

AFSC/Peace & Justice Youth Outreach Project (Oakland, CA) \$550
Campaign for Nuclear Disarmament (Des Moines, IA) \$350
Central Committee for Conscientious Objectors/Western Region (San Francisco, CA) \$370
Citizen Soldier (NY, NY) \$200
Honeywell Project (Minneapolis, MN) \$500
INFACT (Boston, MA) \$200
Mass. Jobs with Peace (Boston) \$200
Metanoia Community (St. Mary's, GA) \$200
Mid-Peninsula Peace Center (Palo Alto, CA) \$370
Mothers & Others Connecting All (Las Vegas, NV) \$200
National Coalition in Support of UN SSDIII (NY, NY) \$200
National Interreligious Service Board for Conscientious Objectors (Washington, DC) \$150*
National Mobilization for Survival (NY, NY) \$150*
Nukewatch (Madison, WI) \$100
Pledge of Resistance (Chicago, IL) \$500
Vietnam Veterans Against the War/NY & NJ (Brooklyn, NY) \$580

Prisoners & Criminal Justice

Aid to Imprisoned Mothers (Atlanta, GA) \$200
Death Penalty Resistance Project of Tennessee (Nashville) \$400
Prison Book Program (Jamaica Plain, MA) \$450
Question Mark Journal (Norfolk, MA) \$200

Women

Abortion Rights Fund of Western Mass. (Hadley) \$500
Boston Area Rape Crisis Center (Cambridge, MA) \$200
Boston Area Sistren Support & Education Group (Cambridge, MA) \$500
Boston Reproductive Rights Network (MA) \$500
Boston Women's Community Radio (MA) \$600
Center for Women's Economic Alternatives (Ahoskie, NC) \$500
Chico Feminist Women's Health Center (CA) \$450
Comite de Mujeres Puertorriquenas Miriam Lopez Perez (Jamaica Plain, MA) \$600
Incest Survivors Network (Cambridge, MA) \$390
Kwanzaa (Burlington, VT) \$500
Womancenter of Plainville (MA) \$400
Women's Coffeehouse (Cambridge, MA) \$200
Women for Economic Justice (Boston, MA) \$450
Women's Learning Resource (Albuquerque, NM) \$200

Loans

Curbstone Press (Willamantic, CT) \$1,000
Radical America (Somerville, MA) \$1,000

Donor Directed

Mass Act Out (Somerville, MA) \$1,000
National War Tax Resistance Coordinating Committee (Seattle, WA) \$437

Grants	\$53,225.00
Donor Directed Grants	\$ 1,437.00
Total Grants	\$54,662.00
Loans	\$ 2,000.00

* Indicates Emergency Grant

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GRANT APPLICATION FORM

This box for Resist staff use only

Date Received _____

Board Meeting Date _____ Board Decision _____

Grant applicant please fill out the following:

Date _____

Name of Organization _____

Address _____

Telephone () _____

Contact Person _____

Address and Phone (if different) _____

Is your group tax exempt? _____. If yes, please attach a copy of your IRS notification letter and send it with this application.

If you are not tax-exempt, do you have a tax-exempt organization that would be willing to supervise the funds you would receive if your proposal is approved? If so, please fill in the name and address of that organization and include their IRS notification letter with this application. _____

Has your organization ever been funded by Resist before? _____. If yes, what was the date and amount of the grant and what was the project you received funding for? _____

In addition to answering the questions on pages 2-6, please include the following with your proposal:

- * A list of references: include names and telephone numbers;
- * Supporting printed material [newsletter(s), brochure(s), flyer(s)];
- * If you are requesting a grant for a brochure, please include a copy or draft;
- * If you are requesting funding for a slide show, film or video, please send a copy of the item or a script for the same.

Please Note: Use only the space provided in the following pages for your responses unless otherwise indicated. If you run out of room for any question(s), use the space provided on the last page.

Specific project for funding

- 1) Amount requested
- 2) Describe the project and attach a budget breakdown for the project.

General Information

3) Give a brief history of your group.

4) What are the goals of your group?



5) Other than the project for which you are requesting funds, please briefly describe other current and future events and/or projects.

6) How does your group operate? How do you make decisions? How many members are there?

7) Please attach a yearly financial budget - income and expenses (this is in addition to project budget).

8) Which other foundations have you applied to in the past and with what results? Are you applying to other foundations for this project?



Political Information

9) Briefly, what is the political perspective of your group. (What political work do you do and on which issues?)

10) Please be specific on the programs, coalition work and position of your group in relationship to the rights and concerns of each of the following:

a) people of color

b) working class and poor people

c) women, including your position on reproductive rights and abortion rights

d) gay and lesbian rights/liberation

e) disabled people

d) older people

11) What is the make-up / diversity of your group in terms of age, race, sexual preference, class, gender? Have you taken steps to increase the diversity?

12) Do you work in coalition? How do you work on other national and international issues? On what issues and with what groups do you work?

13) Do you belong to a national organization or party? If yes, which?

Please use this space to continue answers from other pages.

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A call to **RESIST** illegitimate authority

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Dear friends,

Thank you for your interest in Resist. I am enclosing, for your information, a copy of our grant guidelines and application form. Please look over our grant guidelines to determine whether or not your project would be appropriate for Resist. If so, please complete the form and send it to us with a brief cover letter as an overview statement of your proposal. Resist makes grants of between \$100 and \$600.

Since all proposals are xeroxed and sent to Resist board members, we'll have to ask you to type all responses on the application form so that all info is clear to board members. Please do not use draft or light type on a computer because it does not xerox very well. Also please don't send important info on yellow or darkish paper since that doesn't xerox well either.

The next Resist board meeting is set for October 22nd. The deadline for proposals for that meeting is:

Wednesday, Sept. 20th.

Proposals for the October board meeting must be in the Resist office by the end of office hours on Sept. 20th. The following board meeting will be approximately six weeks after the October meeting.

If you have any further questions, please feel free to write or call.

For Peace and Justice,

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