



## Fall/Winter 2017 Grantees

*\$83,000 in grants to 20 projects/coalitions*

**Black Youth Project 100 DC:** A member-based and volunteer-run organization of Black 18- to 35-year-old activists dedicated to seeking justice and freedom for all Black people by building a diverse collective of activists who focus on transformative leadership development, engage in nonviolent direct action organizing, advocate in the local and national spheres, and learn through radical pro-Black political education, all in pursuit of Black Liberation.

**Crafting for Consciousness:** A cooperative of women of color who build community, reduce stress, promote self-sufficiency, and generate revenue while making crafts and engaging in social justice dialogue

**CryptoParty DC:** A project to demystify digital security practices and approaches and provide space to implement those practices in a decentralized, supportive event environment format called a CryptoParty — a free and public gathering to share knowledge about how to protect yourself in digital spaces.

**DC Healers Collective:** Providing community-based healing and movement sustainability through holistic health services, primarily for LGBTQI people of color, through yoga and meditation classes in English and Spanish and a website directory featuring self-care/healing resources in DC.

**Grassroots DC and DC Movement for Black Lives:** For the creation of media materials, including news articles, videos, podcasts, and infographics, and issue-specific public education curricula for a series of workshops within public housing communities in Wards 5-8.

**Horn of Africa Community Institute:** An organization seeking to strengthen an interdependent and robust community of African immigrants and refugees — especially those who come from the Horn of Africa — that is empowered to support the efforts of individuals, families and institutions in Washington, DC.

**Lower Georgia Avenue Coalition:** A coalition organizing to ensure that residents' voices are heard in the midst of the development that is taking place in an accelerated place in Lower Georgia Avenue communities.

**National African-American Neighborhoods Homeowners and Tenants Advocate:** Establishing self-empowerment among Black Washingtonians through community advocacy training and activities, and rehabilitating, renovating, and restoring cultural heritage and the integrity of historic contributions to DC, so that DC's African-American homeowners and tenants can stand and work together to advocate and secure the rights and interests of the indigenous population.

**No Justice No Pride:** A collective of organizers and activists from across the District of Columbia working to end the LGBT movement's complicity with systems of oppression that further marginalize Trans and Queer individuals. NJNP members are black, brown, queer, trans, gender non-conforming, bisexual, indigenous, two-spirit, formerly incarcerated, disabled, white allies and together we recognize that there can be no pride for some of us without liberation for all of us.

**On the Ground Radio Show:** A weekly radio show broadcasting alternative news from Washington, DC, providing coverage of social justice activists who are in DC or who come from around the country or from around the world to speak truth to power.

**One Love = True Change, Inc.:** A grassroots movement of families, educators, "artists", and healers of color in solidarity with people of color to spread love, consciousness, and re-awaken a Village mentality in our community.

**Paul Laurence Dunbar Tenants Association:** A tenant group fighting for safe, comfortable affordable housing, senior services, and strong tenants' rights at Paul Laurence Dunbar Apartments and across DC.

**Rebuild the Arthur Capper/Carrollsbury Community Village TimeBank:** Using timebanking as a medium of exchange to marshal human capital to rebuild, re-energize and recreate community for returning residents and new residents after the demolition of the Arthur Capper/Carrollsbury (ACC) public housing complex in Southeast DC.

**Save Our System Coalition:** A coalition organizing for a safe, reliable, and affordable public transportation system, bringing the voices of traditionally marginalized riders to the conversation so that needs and concerns about community safety, accessibility, and equity in a public transit system are heard.

**Tenants Relocation Cooperative:** A cooperatively-owned, tenant-run relocation services for affordable and public housing, educating and training tenants to participate in every phase of the relocation process, from design of newly updated and renovated apartment complexes to the relocation of all affected tenants to temporary units and through their return.

**The Black Swan Academy:** Empowering Black youth in underserved communities through civic leadership and engagement, giving them a comprehensive set of tools needed to succeed in life and become active social catalysts in their communities.

**Together Restoring Economic Empowerment:** A millennial-led civil rights-minded organization dedicated to helping bridge the rift between members of the millennial generation and activism.

TREE works to develop substantive plans of action, particularly in communities of color, that help individuals to act quickly and with an informed opinion. TREE focuses on three main areas: economic justice, environmental justice, and the nexus between entertainment and race.

**Uptown Art House**: A volunteer-led, people of color-led arts and community organization seeking to socially activate the many talented artists in our communities while amplifying cultural and artistic expression in activist and community spaces.

**Women Advancing Nutrition Dietetics and Agriculture (WANDA)**: Inspiring, engaging, and informing women and girls of African descent to honor our ancestors by embracing our cultural foodways to heal ourselves and our communities and advocating for healthy food policies for their communities.

**You-Nique Services, Inc.**: Providing a platform for those labeled as poor to be a part of creating their own stories, told in their own way as a way to peacefully dismantle the system of oppression fueled by the constant bombardment of negative images seen and heard thru mainstream media as it pertains to people of color.

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