Daily Kos Continues Investing in BIPOC Organizations Through Black Solidarity Grants

Progressive organization awards \$80,000 to several Black-led groups

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Today, Daily Kos announced the third cohort of recipients of the Daily Kos/Daily Kos Liberation League Black Solidarity Grant, which provides monetary support to organizations whose missions and work are helping make Black liberation a reality. The recipients will receive a total of \$160,000 over the course of the next two years.

In the wake of the 2020 uprisings in defense of Black lives, Daily Kos <u>committed to</u> <u>donate 1% of our revenue</u> to Black-led changemaking organizations doing the on-the-ground work to support and uplift Black communities. So far, the grant has supported 20 groups.

The Daily Kos Liberation League, a Black-led liberation team within the Daily Kos Activism team, oversees the selection process for the final grant recipients.

"These groups are part of a long history of Black people envisioning a world we can't yet see. If we want a future built on equity, inclusion, and justice, then we need to support the people and organizations working towards that future," said Monique Teal, senior campaign director for Daily Kos. "Daily Kos Liberation League is proud to support these groups as they build resilience and power not only for Black communities locally, but also across the country."

Each organization will receive funding based on <u>the votes they receive</u> from readers and donors. The 2022-2023 grantees of the Daily Kos/Daily Kos Liberation League Black Solidarity Grant are:

- <u>Black Mental Health Alliance of Nashville</u> A Black mental health think tank & community action organization that aims to make mental health education and care more accessible to Black people.
- <u>Historic Westside Gardens ATL Inc.</u> A nonprofit organization dedicated to addressing the issues of food insecurity and breaking the cycle of unhealthy food choices.
- <u>Housing Our Neighbors</u> An advocacy organization in Baltimore, MD led by currently and formerly homeless people and community partners that works to create policy solutions to homelessness and advocates for affordable housing.

- Mississippi Reproductive Freedom Fund An abortion and resource fund that advocates for and provides practical support for the right to parent, not to parent, have access to full reproductive health care and education and to raise children in safe environments with full support and your needs met are ALL basic human rights.
- Pick 42 Foundation A nonprofit in Mullins, SC that focuses on addressing food insecurity by assisting Black farmers in navigating bureaucracy so they can grow and distribute healthy, local food to food insecure families, establishing community gardens, voter education, health education and generally meeting the needs of families.
- <u>Rustic Roots Sanctuary</u> A grassroots organization that provides a safe place in nature to connect, teaches sustainability through agricultural education and career development, helps heal individuals and communities through holistic health, and puts power in the hands of local farmers and communities.

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