

# 2021 Grants List

# WDN ACTION

WDN Action invests in advocacy and electoral strategies that center the leadership, vision, and long-term organizing of women, people of color, young people, and historically excluded communities. As a network of feminist donors and activists, we bring a strong gender and racial justice lens to our political giving and advocacy.

## ARIZONA

### **Arizona Wins Native Voter Program** **\$60,000**

The Arizona Wins Native Voter Program is working to engage Native voters across the state with culturally appropriate and Native-led outreach, closing the Native voter gap in a state with more than 10% of the country's Indigenous population.

### **AZ Poder** **\$100,000**

AZ Poder is led by youth of color, undocumented moms, queer folks, working-class white people, and Arizonians directly impacted by the criminalization of their communities. They focus on increasing turnout among young people of color in Phoenix using cultural organizing, digital organizing, and relational strategies to mobilize voters and build toward long-term criminal justice organizing work.

### **Instituto Power** **\$100,000**

Instituto's mission is to build sustained political power with low-income and communities of color in Arizona through leadership development, cultural strategies, and training and coaching to help build sustainable organizations that advance progressive policies.

### **Living United for Change in Arizona** **\$200,000**

LUCHA is a membership-led, grassroots organization that builds power with Arizona's working families to advance social, racial and economic justice for all. Through grassroots campaigns, leadership development, advocacy and civic engagement, LUCHA works to create an Arizona in which every person enjoys equal rights, opportunities, and protections.

### **Our Voice, Our Vote Arizona** **\$150,000**

Our Voice Our Vote is the only organization working across the state explicitly focused on organizing young Black people in Arizona. They build power by mobilizing voters, training the next generation of leaders, electing champions into office, and holding elected officials accountable.

### **RAZA (Rural Arizona Action)** **\$100,000**

Rural Arizona Action's mission is to educate, advocate and organize in rural communities so they may gain access to civic education, engagement opportunities and voter registration, independent of metro-area influences, to build a base of engaged voters and a bench of progressive leaders to run for local office.

## CALIFORNIA

### **California Calls Action Fund** **\$50,000**

A growing alliance of community-based organizations spanning urban, rural and suburban counties, California Calls engages new and infrequent voters among young people, from communities of color, and from poor and working class neighborhoods to make California's electorate reflect the state's diverse population.

### **Million Voters Project Action Fund** **\$50,000**

Million Voters Project is an unprecedented collaboration of community-based networks working to unite all of California - low income families, parents, young people, Black, Latino and Asian Pacific Islander communities, immigrants and refugees, people of faith, and the formerly incarcerated - to build political power as the new California majority.

## COLORADO

### **COLOR Action Fund**

**\$75,000**

COLOR Action Fund activates supporters of reproductive justice with a particular focus on organizing and engaging Latinx voters, families, and their allies.

### **Colorado People's Action**

**\$50,000**

Colorado People's Action is a member-led organization that is committed to winning long-lasting progressive policies on climate, racial, economic, and immigrant justice. They build power by mobilizing voters, electing community members to office, and holding elected officials accountable.

### **New Era Colorado**

**\$75,000**

As members of the most diverse, progressive generation in history, young Coloradans are game changers and advocates for justice. New Era engages this critical constituency through statewide, data-driven young voter mobilization programs that help young voters connect the issues they care about to the state- and local-level races that they're voting in.

## FLORIDA

### **Dream Defenders Action Fund**

**\$75,000**

Dream Defenders was launched by organizers fighting back after the Trayvon Martin shooting. They have expanded and deepened their base, catalyzing Black and Brown youth organizing across the state with a focus on policing, bail reform, and advancing a collective statewide strategy around state attorney and sheriff races.

### **Engage Miami**

**\$50,000**

Engage Miami's mission is to build a more just, democratic, and sustainable Miami by developing a local culture of civic participation for young people that is bold, creative, and impactful.

### **Florida Rising**

**\$100,000**

Florida Rising is a statewide independent political organization bringing together Black and Brown communities to seize power and govern to advance social, economic, and racial justice across the state. Florida Rising was founded through the merger of The New Florida Majority and Organize Florida.

## GEORGIA

### **Asian American Advocacy Fund**

**\$150,000**

Through policy advocacy, electoral programs, and candidate support, the Asian American Advocacy Fund is working to build leadership and representation that lifts the voices of Asian Americans, Pacific Islanders and Native Hawaiians in Georgia.

### **Georgia Investor Action Fund**

**\$100,000**

The c4 arm of the Georgia Alliance for Progress, this coalition of donors works to align multiple political and philanthropic vehicles to strengthen and advance the progressive movement in Georgia. They partner with and invest in more than 20 organizations across the state to quickly and strategically move resources to organizations within the Georgia ecosystem.

### **Georgia Shift Action**

**\$50,000**

Georgia Shift believes that local issue organizing and accountability is critical to the vision of young people having control over their future on an everyday basis with tangible victories. They are working to build a model for rural youth organizing in the Deep South.

### **New Georgia Project Action Fund**

**\$100,000**

New Georgia Project Action Fund is a multiracial grassroots organization working to build political power among Black, Latinx, AAPI, LGBTQ+, and young Georgians, focusing in metro Atlanta and the Black Belt (rural) areas of Georgia.

## **Progress Georgia**

**\$100,000**

Progress Georgia is an innovative media collective serving as a catalyst for increased civic and progressive political engagement across the state. They partner with and support grassroots activists, advocates and community organizers to reshape Georgia's electoral landscape.

## **MICHIGAN**

### **Detroit Action**

**\$100,000**

Detroit Action is a grassroots member-led organization that fights for political power, racial and economic justice for working-class communities in Michigan. They are focused on outreach and mobilization of sporadic base voters with a particular focus on young people and people of color.

### **Rising Voices Action**

**\$150,000**

As Michigan's leading Asian American Pacific Islander advocacy organization, Rising Voices is building relationships in Southeast Michigan through digital and social organizing with a particular focus on hard-to-reach AAPI communities.

### **We the People Action Fund**

**\$125,000**

We The People MI works to build a multiracial, working class constituency across the state of Michigan that is engaged in community organizing, the development of leaders, and the building of a unified, proactive agenda rooted in economic, racial, and social justice for all Michiganders.

## **MINNESOTA**

### **Faith in Minnesota**

**\$100,000**

Faith in MN is a faith-based statewide organizing group in Minnesota focused on building a political home for people of faith in MN and creating a people-centered politics in Minnesota.

### **Minnesota Youth Collective**

**\$100,000**

Minnesota Youth Collective is empowering the next generation of leaders to take their rightful seat at the decision-making table, electing people who reflect their values, and shaping legislation to better the lives of Minnesotans.

### **TakeAction Minnesota**

**\$100,000**

TakeAction Minnesota is a multiracial people's organization building power for a government and economy that works for all of us. They serve as a hub for Minnesota's progressive movement, bringing together people and organizations to make more politically possible.

### **Yes 4 Minneapolis**

**\$100,000**

Yes 4 Minneapolis (Y4M) is a unifying campaign bringing together voters, faith leaders, labor unions, and businesses organizing to change the Minneapolis charter to create a Department of Public Safety.

## **NORTH CAROLINA**

### **Advance North Carolina**

**\$100,000**

Advance North Carolina is a Black-led statewide organization whose mission is to build political and economic power in Black communities and institutions. They work in suburban cities surrounding major urban hubs using deep organizing focused on local issues and races that can be leveraged to mobilize voters around statewide races.

### **Carolina Federation**

**\$100,000**

Carolina Federation is a statewide organization working in communities across race and the rural-urban divide to build political power. They focus on economic justice, environmental justice, criminal justice, and Medicaid expansion.

## Down Home North Carolina

**\$100,000**

Down Home North Carolina builds the power and raise the voices of working people in small-town and rural North Carolina in order to shape a democracy that serves working people.

## NCAAT in Action

**\$100,000**

NCAAT in Action launched in 2020 to build political power among the AAPI community and support the election of more progressive AAPI elective officials, in a state where Asian Americans are the fastest growing racial group.

## Podder NC Action

**\$100,000**

Podder NC is dedicated to building intentional Latinx political power in North Carolina. Launched in 2019 to fill a critical gap in the progressive infrastructure in NC, their values are centered in being a pro-Black, pro-LGBTQ, pro-choice, and pro-Latinx organization.

## NEW HAMPSHIRE

### New Hampshire Youth Movement

**\$100,000**

NHYM is building a movement of young people to transform our political system so it serves, and is led by, the people it has left behind. They are fighting for change in New Hampshire, and are a part of a much larger movement to win change across the country.

## NEVADA

### Make the Road Action Fund Nevada

**\$100,000**

Make the Road Action builds political power rooted in working-class Latinx communities, promotes policy solutions that improve the lives of all working-class and low-income people, and strengthens the movement for justice through electoral and grassroots organizing to advance progressive change.

## PENNSYLVANIA

### Asian Pacific Islander Political Alliance

**\$100,000**

Asian Pacific Islander Political Alliance is the first ever c4 organization in Asian Pacific Islander communities in Pennsylvania. They engage in multi-modal strategies to build Asian, immigrant, and refugee political power in the state towards a progressive agenda for all immigrant and people of color communities.

### CASA in Action PA

**\$50,000**

With over 110,000 lifetime Latino, immigrant, and working class members, the CASA family of organizations is a national leader in the immigrant justice movement. CASA in Action endorses candidates that advance its membership's priorities and facilitates greater engagement of Latinos and voters of color in elections.

### Make the Road PA

**\$100,000**

Make the Road Action in Pennsylvania is dedicated to organizing the working class in Latino communities, building power for Justice. Make the Road mobilizes Black, Brown, immigrant, and working-class voters across eleven counties where these voters are often ignored by partisan campaigns.

## TEXAS

### Fix SAPD (via Texas Organizing Project)

**\$75,000**

Fix SAPD is a grassroots effort formed in 2020 to fight for police accountability and reform in San Antonio, Texas.

### Jolt Action Inc.

**\$75,000**

Jolt Action harnesses the power of culture to empower young Latinos and build a stronger Texas and democracy. With 38 electoral votes and 36 congressional seats at stake, success in Texas would have national impact.

## **MOVE Texas Action Fund**

**\$75,000**

MOVE Texas is a grassroots organization building power in underrepresented youth communities through civic education, leadership development, and issue advocacy. Started in 2013 by a small group of students at The University of Texas at San Antonio, they have since gone statewide to become one of the most effective voter engagement groups in the state.

## **Power Up Texas**

**\$150,000**

In the wake of the February 2021 winter storm, a coalition of organizations in Texas came together in response to the state's humanitarian and political crisis, created by the willful negligence of state leadership that failed to hold energy providers accountable for weatherizing our public utilities.

## **Texas Organizing Project**

**\$100,000**

Texas Organizing Project is focused on transforming Texas into a state where working people of color have the power and representation they deserve. TOP organizes around issue-based campaigns, winning tangible improvements for communities, and then mobilizes their members and supporters around electoral campaigns, effectively increasing voter participation in communities that historically have had low voting rates.

## **Workers Defense Action Fund**

**\$100,000**

Workers Defense Action Fund engages and mobilizes voters, develops their leadership, advocates for stronger protections for workers and immigrants, and empowers their members to endorse candidates who support working and immigrant families.

## **VIRGINIA**

### **Casa In Action VA**

**\$50,000**

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### **New Virginia Majority**

**\$100,000**

New Virginia Majority builds the power of marginalized communities to change the political system. They organize within Latinx, African American, Asian American Pacific Islander and youth communities, centering the leadership and demands of working class women of color.

## **WISCONSIN**

### **Freedom Action Now**

**\$100,000**

Freedom Action Now is a Black and Southeast Asian Wisconsin-based political organization creating change for most impacted communities through voter education, leadership development, community organizing, and advocacy.

### **Leaders Igniting Transformation (LIT) Action Fund**

**\$100,000**

Leaders Igniting Transformation Action Fund engages in values-based relational and electoral organizing, direct action, and public policy advocacy. Their mission is to build power for young people in Wisconsin.

### **Voces de la Frontera Action**

**\$50,000**

Voces de la Frontera Action is the advocacy arm of Voces de la Frontera. With a mission of fighting for the rights of low wage and immigrant workers, Voces takes an active role in lobbying and advocating for better laws as well as endorsing candidates that best support their issues.

## NATIONAL

### **Advance Native Political Leadership Action Fund**

**\$200,000**

Advance Native Political Leadership is the first and only national c4 organization dedicated to building a political and organizing strategy by and for Indigenous people in key states.

### **All\* Above All Action Fund**

**\$100,000**

All\* Above All Action Fund builds political power for abortion justice. They accelerate strategy, shift narratives, move policy, and build networks to improve political conditions that will ensure abortion care is there for everyone who needs it.

### **Alliance for Youth Action**

**\$200,000**

The Alliance for Youth Action empowers young people to make change in their communities across the country. They work with and support capacity building with youth-led organizations in 20 states across the country - including 10 network affiliates and 10 youth organizing partners.

### **Asian American Power Network**

**\$100,000**

AAPN is an alliance of state-based Asian American c4 organizations building power to win concrete changes in their local communities and build solidarity across communities of color. They share resources, incubate new organizations, hone best practices and tactics for voter engagement; and implement political strategy to move Asian Americans broadly on progressive policy and racial justice.

### **Ballot Initiative Strategy Center (BISC)**

**\$200,000**

BISC leverages the power of ballot measures across the country as part of a larger movement to strengthen democracy, center people of color, queer, low-income, immigrant and other marginalized communities to move towards equity, build and transform power, and galvanize a new progressive base.

### **Black Male Voter Project**

**\$200,000**

The Black Male Voter Project focuses on increasing the number of Black men who are super voters by targeting this often-ignored constituency with culturally relevant and authentic messengers.

### **Black to the Future Action Fund**

**\$100,000**

Black to the Future Action Fund is a think tank / act tank that works to make Black communities powerful in politics. They build capacity to design, win, and implement changes to the problems we face.

### **Black Voters Matter Action Fund**

**\$200,000**

Black Voters Matter works to increase civic engagement and power building in predominantly Black communities. They are working to increase Black voter turnout in key states and have become a leader in amplifying Black political power messaging across major media platforms.

### **Care in Action**

**\$200,000**

Care in Action is the political home for women who care. Care in Action works on behalf of women of color - especially domestic workers - in order to build the civic power of this critical segment of our electorate to both protect our democracy and win progress toward a new vision for equity and justice for the future.

### **Community Justice Action Fund**

**\$100,000**

Through policy advocacy, leadership development, and training opportunities, Community Justice Action Fund is changing the conversation on gun violence prevention by leading with the people closest to the pain of everyday gun violence.

### **Cultural Engagement Lab**

**\$200,000**

Cultural Engagement Lab partners with local grassroots organizations to mobilize communities of color in targeted cities and states, providing digital visual language and relevant cultural products that layer on top of traditional campaigns and GOTV tactics.

## Higher Heights for America

**\$100,000**

Higher Heights is building the political power and leadership of Black women from the voting booth to elected office and creating the environment for Black women to run, win and lead.

## Independent Strategic Research Collaborative (ISRC)

**\$100,000**

ISRC provides research, messaging, and coordination infrastructure to the progressive movement so we can more effectively work together to realize the promise of our democracy.

## Kairos Action

**\$100,000**

Kairos is training a new generation of transformative organizers and technologists building democratic movements via digital strategy support to organizations that are building effective digital infrastructure.

## National Women's Law Center Action Fund

**\$100,000**

The NWLC Action Fund aims to drive progressive change in our policies and laws so that all women and girls can live, learn, and work with safety, dignity, and equality.

## NextGen America

**\$100,000**

NextGen is the nation's largest youth voting organization using innovative digital and field strategies to turn out young voters in key states.

## Progressive Caucus Action Fund

**\$100,000**

The Progressive Caucus Action Fund works to advance people-centered policies that build racial, economic and gender justice.

They fight for the progressive policy changes that protect our communities, strengthen our democracy and make sure every person can live a safe, healthy, dignified and full life.

## re:power

**\$200,000**

re:power is a team of organizers, strategists, and technologists dedicated to building transformative political power. Through training on digital organizing, digital security, and data analytics, they are building the capacity of movement organizations.

## She The People

**\$100,000**

She the People brings together a national network of women of color — voters, organizers, movement builders, elected leaders — to transform our democracy.

## She Will Rise

**\$75,000**

She Will Rise works to ensure greater equality in America by ensuring a Black woman justice on the US Supreme Court for the first time ever.

## Take Back the Court

**\$100,000**

Take Back the Court educates the public about the danger that a hyper-partisan Supreme Court poses to democracy, and about the viability of court expansion to rebalance the court and restore our democracy.

## UltraViolet Action

**\$150,000**

UltraViolet Action creates consequences for sexism by holding politicians and thought leaders accountable to all women. They produce content, messages, and other resources to amplify and effectively defend against the spread of misogynistic and racist disinformation and attacks targeting women of color candidates.

## United We Dream Action

**\$200,000**

United We Dream Action organizes to strengthen civic engagement infrastructure, expand the electorate, and deliver on a justice-based vision for all immigrants and communities of color through field, digital and narrative strategies.

**2021 Total Funding: \$7,660,000**