

PEOPLE'S LIFE FUND

GRANTING GUIDELINES

Thank you for your interest in applying for a grant from the People's Life Fund. The PLF's money comes from conscientious war tax resisters in Northern California who deposit or donate all or part of the amount they would otherwise pay to the federal government in income taxes. The money available for granting is both direct donations and the income gained from the deposit's growth.

Grants typically range from between \$200 and \$1,500. In recent years the total granted has been between \$2,000 and \$18,000 annually. The PLF's granting priorities are:

1. Provision of essential day-to day human services which the government is not adequately furnishing, together with educational or other work that identifies and seeks to change the root causes of the problem.
2. Provision of essential day-to day human services, but not necessarily providing an explicit analysis of the problem.
3. Education or action, in the spirit of nonviolence, aimed at social, economic or political change.

In addition to the above priorities, the People's Life Fund generally favors projects serving the Northern California area, and small organizations with annual budgets of less than \$200,000. The PLF typically does not fund the same organization two years in a row.

Operating on an annual granting cycle, the PLF accepts grant applications between September 1st and March 14th. These applications are then reviewed, with final decisions made by mid March. Grants are traditionally awarded on April 15th at a public tax day event.

Please use the enclosed application if you wish to apply.

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Grant Application Cover Sheet

Please type or print

Name of Organization _____

Mailing Address _____

City

State

Zip Code

Contact _____ (_____) _____
Name Title Phone

email: _____

In the Space below, briefly describe the general purpose of your organization:

Describe the specific project for which you seek funding and the amount requested:

- A On separate pages, address the following (please limit your response to 10 pages):
1. Describe the organization's history, current programs and goals, and how they relate to the PLF's granting priorities.
 2. Describe the specific need for which you seek funding.
 3. Give an overview of the financial picture of your organization.
- B. Attach a financial statement, budget projection, and list of sources of funding (previous, current and anticipated).
- C. You may also include any relevant literature or other printed material which would further explain your work.

Please return completed application, postmarked no later than March 14th.