



VETERANS FOR PEACE
Howard Zinn Fund for Peace and Justice
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Howard Zinn Grant Application

In keeping with the VFP mission, the Howard Zinn Fund for Peace and Justice was founded to support grass-roots projects that are likely to make positive changes for peace and justice. The Zinn Fund provides nonrenewable seed money to VFP chapters and members to start or develop ongoing local programs and projects that result in specific changes for peace and justice.

Proposals may be submitted at any time during the year. The Zinn Fund may fund three small awards (Independent Award) between \$500 and \$2,000 per year and possibly one Partnership Award of up to \$4,000 during the year. Applicants are required to provide matching funds of 25% of the total amount requested from the Zinn Fund.

We urge applicants to carefully review the [Zinn Fund Guidelines](#) before preparing a proposal since this will help you in addressing our review criteria. All proposals in a review period are evaluated in comparison with other applications using the criteria indicated in the Zinn Fund Guidelines. Awards are made every four months.

If you have any questions about the application form or the review process please feel free to contact the Executive Committee at excom-vfp@googlegroups.com.

Project Title:

VFP Chapter Number and Location:

Date of Application:

Contact Information of Project Team (Name, Email, Phone, Mailing Address):

Amount requested from the VFP Howard Zinn Fund:

- Independent Award (between \$500 and \$2,000) \$_____

Decisions on small grants are made at the end of the four-month period the proposal was submitted.

- Partnership Award (up to \$4,000) \$_____

Please indicate that this proposed project has been discussed with and approved by the chapter.

When you have fully addressed all the above items, email this document as an attachment by the designated deadline to:

excom-vfp@googlegroups.com

You will receive confirmation to your email address that your proposal has been received.

Thank you for applying to the VFP Howard Zinn Fund for Peace and Justice, and for your efforts to further the mission of Veterans For Peace in seeking practical solutions to resolving conflicts.

The Executive Committee uses the following criteria to evaluate and compare, project proposals submitted during the four-month review period. **Please address each question below.**

Project GOAL (What are this project's goals and expected outcomes?)

- How will the project help build a popular base for the VFP mission?
- Will the project be self-sustaining beyond the Zinn Fund grant period?
- An honest evaluation of what worked and what didn't will be part of the final report.

Project PLAN (How will the project be planned and executed? Is the project realistic in its scope and planned execution?)

- The chapter and community project team members are indicated, including the essential skills and experience that will be used to develop the project, and on occasion, used to help educate members and the public.
- Indicate the specific audiences that will be impacted by the project.
- What activities will be used to engage community partners and help mobilize the larger community?
- The schedule for implementing and evaluating the project activities should be reasonable and practical.

Project BUDGET (What are the project costs and how will they be covered?)

- The expected itemized and total costs of the project are indicated.
- The funding sources to cover these costs are indicated, including means to cover the required 25% matching funds.

The Executive Committee is happy to discuss the above Guidelines and any questions you have about the application process. Please feel free to contact us at:

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