2021 Convening Support Grant Application

Thank you for your interest in Common Field's 2021 Convening Support Grant Program. This year, Common Field will distribute 60 support grants for the Convening. Support Grant recipients will receive **$250 in unrestricted funds, free registration to this year's Convening and a free one-year membership to Common Field**.

Key Support Grant Dates

Application Dates: July 12 - August 12, 2021
Application Status Notification: September 14, 2021
Convening Dates: November 4, 5, 6 and November 12 & 13, 2021

Our Support Grant program is meant to support those who would not be able to attend the Convening without financial assistance, and <u>who plan to be able to participate in at least 2 days of the Convening.</u>

The 2021 Convening will offer all registrants the option of paying between $5 and $50 for a ticket as part of a sliding scale pay structure. If you feel you can support your attendance with paid registration at any level, we encourage you to register in September through our ticketing system and allow those who need additional financial support to attend to apply for these support grant funds. No one will be turned away from the Convening for lack of funds.

Support grants are meant to support any essential financial costs that may otherwise be prohibitive to your attendance this year. This can include childcare costs, lost wages (freelance, contractor), purchase of small technical equipment like cameras or mobile hotspots to facilitate online attendance, or other costs you may identify in this application.

All support grant applications will be reviewed by a jury of field professionals assessing demonstration of need, impact of funds for applicants, and desired outcomes for attending and participating. The jury will also <u>prioritize first-time attendees and members of underserved communities within Common Field, including those who identify as living in rural communities, low-income, part of the LGBTQI+ or BIPOC communities, independent cultural workers, caregivers, emerging professionals, and people with disabilities</u>. The jury will take into consideration any significant impacts from COVID-19 over the last 18 months applicants may share.

All support grant applicants will be notified of their status by **September 14, 2021**. Awardees will not be asked to report on how funds were used.

Please contact us at tech@commonfield.org with any questions about submitting this application during the submission period.

Support Grant Applications Questions

Section 1: About You

Name (First and Last)*

Email*

Phone Number*

Residential City, State *
example: Los Angeles, CA, USA

Website (optional)

Are you a current or expired member of Common Field?*

If yes, please share the link to your profile here or what years you were a member.

Have you attended a previous Common Field Convening?* If so, which year(s) did you attend?

Have you ever presented at a previous Common Field Convening?* If so, which year(s)?

Have you participated in other Common Field projects such as Field Perspectives, Meet-Ups, Field Conversations, Field Grants, or Field Conversations?*
　　　If so, which one and when?

Biography (250 words or less)

Section 2: Interest and Need

Tell us why you want to attend the 2021 Convening. What do you hope to learn or experience through attending?* (250 words or less)

What do you hope to bring back to your work and local community from attending the Convening?* (250 words or less)

What do you hope to contribute to the Convening experience as an attendee?* (250 words or less)

Tell us how this support grant fund will support your ability to attend at this year's Convening.* (250 words or less)

How many days of the Convening do you hope to be able to attend?
1
2
3
4
5 (all days of event)

Optional: If the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic has or had a significantly negative impact for you since March 2020, we welcome you to share that with us here. Though there may not be a direct link to your ability to attend the Convening this fall, Common Field recognizes that the ongoing/long-term effect of major financial, personal or professional shifts, disruptions, or losses contribute to the challenges applicants may be experiencing now – which we want to take into consideration for this year's Support Grant. 250 words or less.

Section 3: More About You (optional)
These questions are designed to help us identify communities we wish to serve in a deeper and more comprehensive way—through representation, resourcing, and other forms of support.

All responses received here will remain private and will not be used or sold for any other purposes. This information may be used, in part, to support our effort to ensure that a broad range of voices are reflected and supported within the Support Grant program if you choose to answer them.

Phonetic Pronunciation
Please enter the phonetic spelling of your name, exactly as you would prefer it read in an introduction.

*Example: *Beyoncé* would be phonetically spelled BEE-YAWN-SAY*.

I identify as (select as many as apply):

This is not an exhaustive list. We do not intend to exclude, but rather to understand the nuances of our communities.

- Emerging / Youth
- Elder
- Disabled / Chronically Ill
- Black
- Indigenous
- Person of Color
- Working Class
- Low Income
- Rural

- Southern
- Trans or GNC
- Parent or Caregiver
- Independent cultural worker
- Preferring a language other than English (fill in the blank)
- Not listed (fill in the blank)
- Prefer not to answer

If you selected "Preferring a language other than English" or "Not listed" above or would like to add more, please share how you identify and what language(s) you prefer.
[Write-in box for response]

My pronouns are (select as many as apply):
- She/Her
- He/Him
- They/Them
- Not listed (fill in the blank in the next question)
- Prefer not to answer

If you selected "Not listed" above, please share your pronouns below.
[Write-in box for response]