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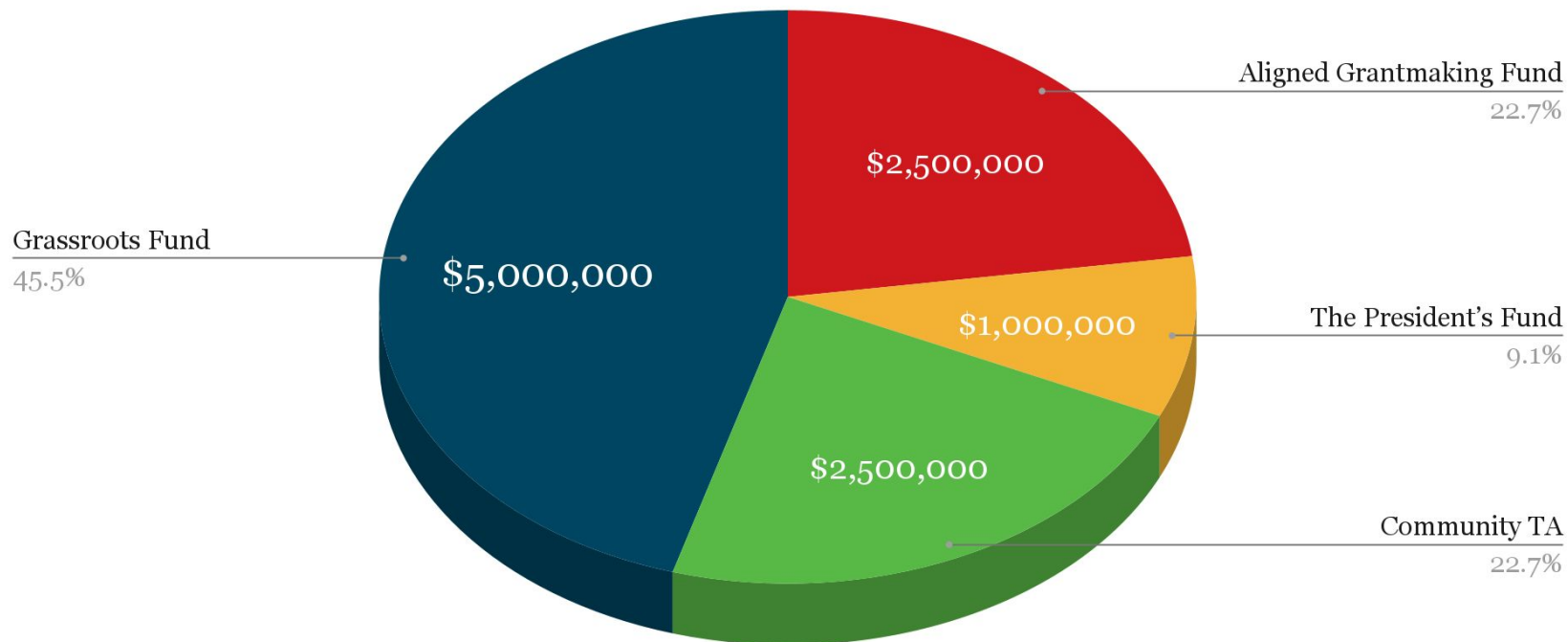


Larry Simmons Jr.

The BCYF Grantmaking Strategy

- **Direct Investments** in Baltimore-based youth serving organizations
- **Investments in the infrastructure** to support grassroots
- **Collective funding** strategies
- **Community Technical Assistance**

2022 Spring BCYF Grant Portfolios



Total - \$11 million



Aligned Grantmaking Fund



The Summer Funding Collaborative is a partnership between public, private and nonprofit organizations that supports high-quality summer programs serving children and youth from low-income backgrounds in Baltimore City.

The goal: To fund different types of summer programs to keep students engaged and reduce summer learning loss so that more youth can reach their full potential.

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Grassroots Fund

The BCYF Grassroots Fund addresses traditional gaps in Baltimore's funding landscape by providing unrestricted funding for grassroots, Baltimore-based, youth-serving organizations in support of an organization's overall mission.

In addition to financial support, organizations awarded a grant from the Grassroots Fund will also receive rigorous capacity-building support to help them sustain and grow.

Eligibility

Grassroots organizations are defined as community accountable organizations with an annual operating budget of under \$250,000.

The Fund will prioritize organizations led by Black, Brown, Indigenous, and Asian people.



Eligibility for the Grassroots Fund

You should apply if your organization:

- 1) is Baltimore City-based and serves children and youth ages 24 years and under.**
- 2) is a Maryland 501(c)(3) organization or has a confirmed Fiscal Sponsorship.**
- 3) has an organizational budget that totals \$250,000 or less.**

For more information

www.bcyfund.org

The Application

On March 15, 2022, BCYF will publish a new expanded Request for Proposals with a grant application workbook, applicant checklist, and policies and procedures for managing a BCYF grant award.



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Learn more at

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Grant Awards

The Spring grant cycle will accept and review all applications from eligible organizations.

BCYF will award approximately 35 grants.

The Fund will award \$150,000 three-year grants to eligible community accountable organizations. The grants are payable in equal installments over three years.

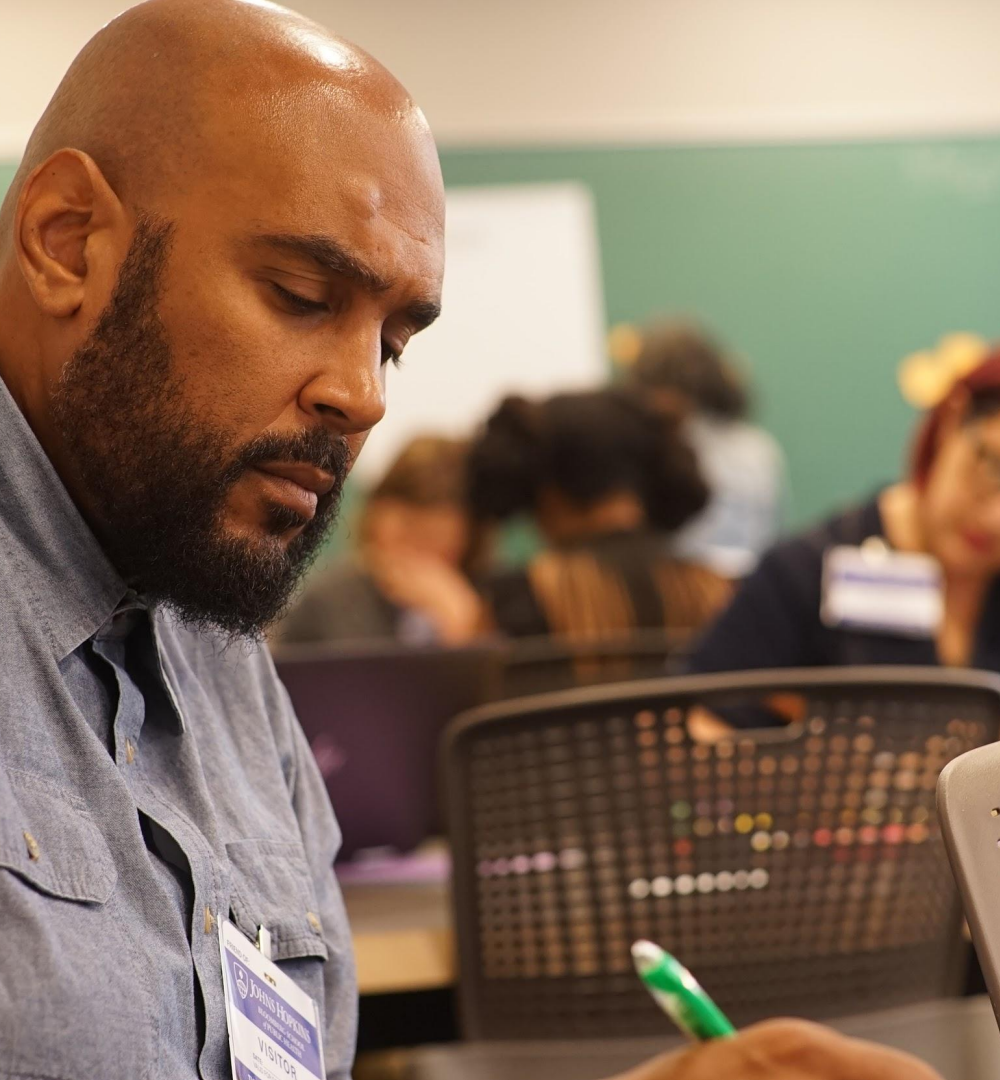


Grassroots Fund

The Spring grant cycle will accept and review all applications from eligible organizations. BCYF will also provide robust technical assistance for applicants. **The Fund will award a grant totaling \$150,000 over three years to eligible community accountable organizations.**

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Pre-Application Technical Assistance

The support topics include grant writing basics, program development, budgeting and reporting, application support, and tech support for the new BCFY grant portal.

BCYF will **provide over 100 hours of Pre-Application Community Technical Assistance in a range of formats, including virtual and in-person offerings and large, small and 1-on-1 sessions.**

Participatory Grantmaking

An open call for Grant Proposal Reviewers will be published on all BCYF platforms.

You should apply if you:

- ❑ Reside in the Baltimore area.
- ❑ Have experience designing or operating youth programs.
- ❑ Are familiar with Baltimore's youth service landscape.



BCYF Inc. is currently looking for grant reviewers for the next grant cycle!

Applicants must:

- Reside in the Baltimore Region
- Have some experience designing/operating youth programs
- Be familiar with Baltimore's youth service landscape

For more information, email dlove@bcyfund.org



Apply today! www.bcyfund.org

The Grassroots Fund: Important Dates

March 4: Public Announcement

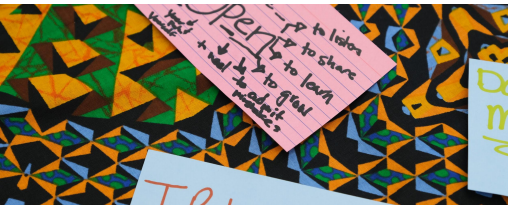
March 15: RFP Published with Application Workbook and Grant Management Procedure Manual & Pre-Application Technical Assistance Schedule

March 17: Kickoff Event (virtual)

April 15: Online Grant Portal Opens

May 15: Application Deadline

August 2022: Letters of Decision



Building Our Team

BCYF Executive Leadership Team

- Vice President of Strategic Investments
- Vice President of Finance & Administration
- Vice President of Strategic Partnerships & Community Engagement
- Vice President of Learning, Evaluation & Data Management



Thank You

"If you want to go fast, go alone. If you want to go far, go together."