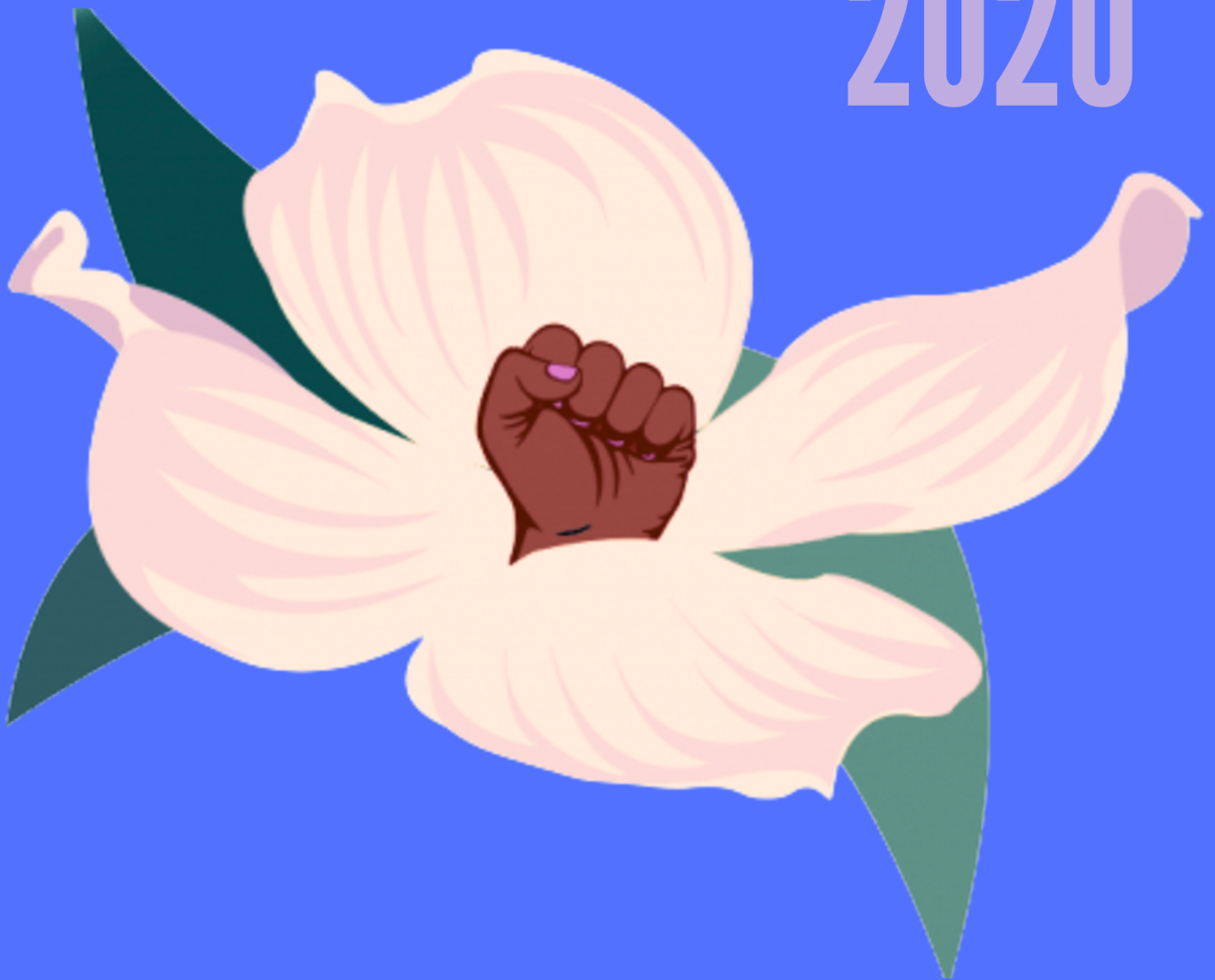


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QUEER
MOBILIZATION FUND
FUNDER OVERVIEW
2020



ABOUT QUEER MOBILIZATION FUND

Queer Mobilization Fund (QMF) is a grassroots community capacity building program prioritizing & supporting queer and trans people of color on the frontlines of struggles for freedom and liberation to build power for and within QTBIPOC communities in the US South.

QMF receives applications each spring for requests up to \$5,000. In addition to financial resources, QMF offers support in strengthening groups/organizations' capacity through participation in a cohort that includes technical assistance and network gatherings, with the goal of increasing support for grassroots community organizing efforts. Our goal is to strengthen the power and presence of queer and trans BIPOC led organizations across the US South. We prioritize moving grants to LGBTQ, People of Color led, rural and youth-led organizations. QMF intentionally supports communities that are often overlooked in receiving financial support for their efforts.

Our funding priorities are: Organizational Development, Leadership Development, Solidarity Exchanges/Convenings, and Healing Justice.

WHY IS OUR WORK IMPORTANT?

QMF intentionally supports groups that are new, emergent and under-resourced. This often means that the groups we fund don't have the typical internal infrastructure most funders would require to invest in and support a group.

Our goal is to not only provide seed money for these organizations, but to also provide a space to support and grow organizations' capacity and leadership and create a network of similar organizations across our movement eco-system that can support and learn from each other.

QMF is rooted in the legacy of North Carolina House Bill 2 (HB2 aka the "bathroom" bill) and other similar types of racist and violent legislation that historically and currently harm queer and trans people and BIPOC people.

Building the power and presence of QTBIPOC (Queer, Trans, Black, Indigenous, People of Color) groups and organizations across the historically disenfranchised South is critical to the success and strategy of the movement toward liberation for All.

QUEER MOBILIZATION FUND 2020 IMPACT

- Awarded **\$130,758 to 25 grassroots QTBIPOC led organizations from 5 states** in the US Southeast.
- Provided **technical assistance to 17** out of 25 grantees (based on requests)
- Created and **Delivered a workshop on Becoming a 501c3** organization for grantees in collaboration with our Sponsored Projects Program
- Convened a QMF grantee networking space at our SVA all-member gathering
- Supported groups in technical assistance ranging from: Board recruitment/development, Facilitation 101 training, creating collaborations to enhance LGBTQ visibility in rural Eastern NC, strategic planning + outreach, communications plans, coaching, budgeting + fundraising

HEAR FROM A GRANTEE!

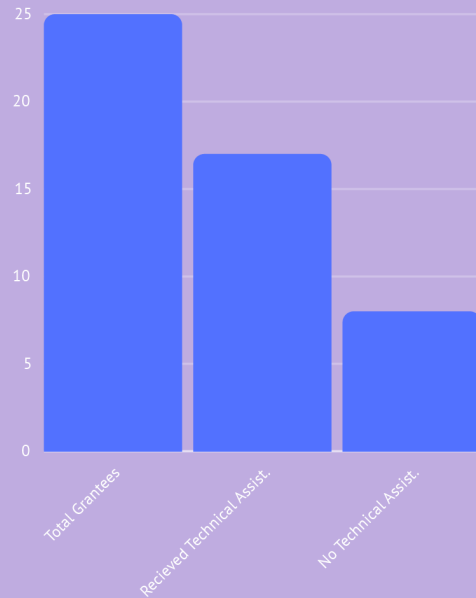
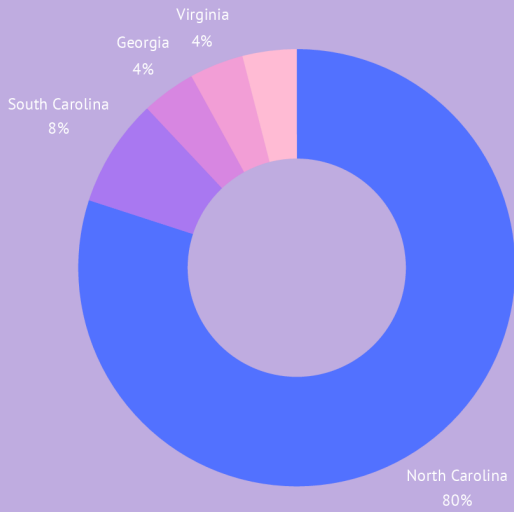
"I initially applied to the Queer Mobilization Fund believing that no funding entity would distribute funds to a tiny operation like the Queer Doula Network. Not only did I receive funding but also capacity building that shifted the way I envisioned possibilities of my work as a digital community organizer. I, a Black non-binary person based in South Carolina, run the Queer Doula Network, a 500+ group of LGBTQIA+ birth work and birth work adjacent service providers, on a volunteer basis. The grant from QMF allowed me to create a paid workshop series during COVID-19 when birth workers are experiencing financial hardship and an inability to do community outreach. Without capacity building, the series would not have come to fruition, and I would not have had the full confidence to create it in the first place. Months of intensive capacity building sessions around leadership skills, organizational development, and conflict management allowed the workshops to be produced into the world in a fairly seamless manner. QMF is more than just a flow of monetary resources for small grassroots organizations; it is a bolstering force that boosts them from being small to small but mighty."

- *Kortney Lapeyrolerie, Queer Doula Network*



QMF GRANTS AWARDED 2020

A closer look at where we re-granted funds and who received technical assistance



QMF ANNUAL BUDGET

We need more money for technical assistance (TA) in 2021. As Covid-19 lessens, we will be out traveling and building real, in-person relationships with our grantees to provide even better TA.

Staffing	\$130,000
Re-Granting	\$90,000
Technical Assistance	\$4,450
Cohort Gatherings/Workshops	\$3,800
Grantmaking Panel Stipends	\$5,000
Translation Services	\$1,200
TOTAL	\$234,450