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ANNUAL REPORT

2021

2021 IN REVIEW

Now in our Third year of grantmaking, we have grown the program in exciting ways!

In 2021, QMF granted \$93,000 to 21 organizations, eight of whom were first-time grant-seekers. We provided technical assistance in topics such as budgeting, strategic planning, website development, conflict management, and board and organizational structure. Technical assistance existed in the form of one-on-one coaching calls, individual workshops and resources, and cohort gatherings.

Our grantees have made amazing accomplishments, including opening the first queer wellness center in Greenville, SC; hosting programs in rural NC communities to engage and educate queer youth and their peers; and providing free and low-cost birth work to QTBIPOC in need. In the process, many grantees have gotten to pay their organizers for the first time for the important, taxing work of running a grassroots community project.

Looking towards 2022, we are excited to continue growing our technical assistance and capacity support for QTBIPOC-led grassroots efforts across the Southeast. This includes providing spaces for grantees to deepen their relationships with each other and growing our engagement with QMF alumni. We are excited to announce the opening of an additional \$10,000 grant, to be awarded to 5 organizations, with an intensified focus on capacity building, technical assistance, and grantee relationships.

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QMF 2021 Panelists

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QMF GRANTEE REFLECTIONS

"[QMF has] been super available, and helpful every time I've reached out for support, their support to help think through questions and possibilities has been so helpful." - Rae Garringer, Country Queers, (WV)



"It was nice to have a sounding board as I was/am thinking through how to sustain and grow the impacts our organization has for S.C. LGBTQ+ youth. It's a breath of fresh air to work with QMF folx where our organizational values are completely aligned from the jump. It's honestly really special." -Domenico Ruggiero, Executive Director, We Are Family (SC)

"QMF has created a monetary foundation that allows me to not stress over having to cover monthly network related expenses; being able to pay speakers from marginalized communities a fair fee; and paying for legal advice to figure out the best way to incorporate my network. QMF is always there if I have questions around how to move my network forward and expand in directions I hadn't previously thought of." - Kortney Laperolerie, Queer Doula Network (SC)



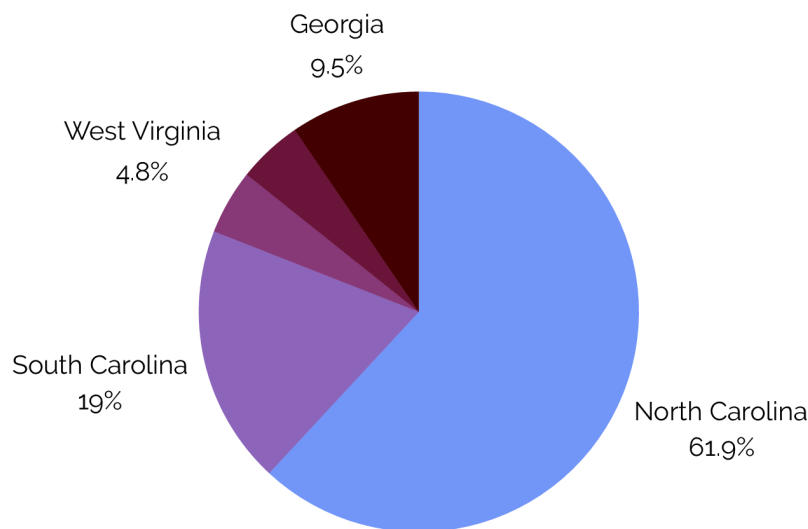
"There are no words for how important and meaningful this was for me individually, and for the life of our organization. It was a healing experience on many levels. Like I said we're a small team, but we're doing deep work that requires an enormous amount of energy. This experience communicated that ... we're not alone ... we have support ... and that we could be met exactly where we were at that moment with compassion and understanding about our unique needs." - Ratasha Elise, Chocolate Soul Revival (NC)

TOP 5 ORGANIZATIONAL DEVELOPMENT NEEDS FROM GRANTEE END OF YEAR SURVEY:

1. STRATEGIC PLANNING
2. ONLINE FUNDRAISING
3. GRANTWRITING/DEVELOPMENT
4. CAMPAIGN PLANNING
5. BUILDING A BUDGET

2021 GRANTMAKING

DISTRIBUTION OF GRANT FUNDS



2021 BY THE NUMBERS

\$93,000

Total amount Awarded

27

Total Number of Groups Funded

25

Total BIPOC-led Groups Funded

17

Total Groups That Received Technical Assistance

2022 GOALS

- Implement \$10,000 GRAVY grant with increased technical assistance support
- Engage grantmaking panel in organizational fundraising and development
- Increase funding to rural organizations + other SE states
- Engage grantees more deeply in peer networking and cohort activities