Purpose
We provide community grants for Black LGBTQ+ events and festivals that cultivate Black LGBTQ+ legacy while also strengthening collaboration with Black LGBTQ+ communities and highlighting the voices of marginalized communities, such as LGBTQ+ people, those experiencing housing insecurity, those with disabilities, and seniors.

Neighborhood Served
This grant benefits the following historically Black San Francisco neighborhoods: Bayview-Hunters Point, Fillmore/Western Addition, Ocean View-Merced Heights-Ingleside, Potrero Hill, and Visitacion Valley. The grantee must be familiar with one or more of these neighborhood legacies, either through research or personal experience.

HCN’s Promise to the Community
As part of the city-wide commitment to foster the preservation of Black LGBTQ+ legacy, we pledge to serve the Black LGBTQ+ community with the utmost respect and integrity.

Application Process
Easy and Simple

Decision Making Process
Transparent and Fast, Always with Love and Respect

How to Apply
1. Share your vision with us, including those with whom you are in collaboration
2. Complete the written application
3. Complete an interview with the mini-grant team

Next Steps
1. The mini-grant team will assess applicants and interview them
2. We will ask detailed questions in order to learn more, including making sure there is a detailed budget
3. We will follow up after a decision has been made

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Please note: Completion of the application process is not a guarantee of funds.
Funding is meant to support a multitude of programs.
Name _________________________ Date ________ Phone Number ________________

Address ____________________________________________________________________________

Organization ________________________________ Neighborhood(s) ________________________

Collaborative Partner(s) ________________________________________________________________

Check One: □ Individual (Be prepared to complete W-9 form) □ Non-Profit (EIN # ________________)

The proposed event is: □ In-Person □ Virtual □ Hybrid (both in-person and virtual)

How will the Black LGBTQ+ community in San Francisco benefit from the event?
__________________________________________________________________________________
__________________________________________________________________________________

If in-person/hybrid, in which neighborhood/community will the event take place? If virtual, in which neighborhood/community will outreach take place?
__________________________________________________________________________________

If you have decided on a venue, where is it located in San Francisco? _____________________________

Does the event and/or venue require a permit? If so, do you have the internal capacity to obtain permits?
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Number of expected participants ________________ Date(s) of Event _________________________

Event Budget $________ Please note: Mini-grants may or may not be able to support the entirety of the budget

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Grant Amount Requested $________________

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Grantee Representative Signature
Organized  Are the vision and proposal well-organized?

Achievable  Is the event/festivity presented in a way that is achievable and demonstrates capacity to achieve the goals of the event?

Uplifting  Will this event uplift San Francisco and the Black LGBTQ+ community and its legacy?

Fiscally Responsible  Is there a reasonable and well-thought out budget? Should it be approved for a lesser amount than requested, does the applicant have the capacity to fulfill the event?

Affirming  Is the applicant Black LGBTQ+ affirming and community-engaged? Does the organization/individual have strong community support?