

ANNUAL REPORT

2020

**CROSSROADS
FUND**



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Our Organizing Will Free Us



The events of 2020 have made it abundantly clear that the world as we know it is no longer sustainable, and that our institutions are not serving the many. Author and political activist *Arundhati Roy* described the pandemic as a portal, and that is indeed a fitting metaphor for 2020. On one side lies the failures of essential systems to provide for people and the inevitable results: millions of deaths due to mishandled public health efforts; social uprisings against generations of state sanctioned violence; devastating fires and floods from climate change and environmental degradation; and national elections that simultaneously repudiated harmful policies while also endorsing beliefs that might not get us to the collective liberation that this moment demands. We acknowledge these widespread harms while inviting you to step through the portal to explore the other side and discover what else is possible.

Crossroads Fund and our grantee partners are committed to building a just world. Each year we are honored to collaborate with these grantees who are already working toward a

new future. Every day they inch closer to a generative, supportive, and sustainable society that works for all people. They organize, build power, and cultivate joy while also mitigating the harms caused by extraction and violence. This work includes:

- Reimagining economic systems that prioritize people over profits by establishing and educating communities on cooperative economic models
- Ensuring housing is a right by halting evictions, demanding rent control, preventing gentrification, organizing to utilize vacant public housing, and demanding community benefit agreements that prioritize long time-residents alongside new development
- Addressing the carceral systems head on by removing police from schools, demanding the reallocation of resources from the police to communities, ending money bond, and cutting ties between Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) and city government to stop deportations
- Creating culture through film festivals, performance, photography, video, and music
- Caring for people and cultivating solidarity through mutual aid, food, and cash assistance

We are proud of the 136 strong, committed, courageous and unapologetic grantees; for all that they do in the spotlight and behind the scenes. They are all essential in the work of movement building and paving the way toward a future world that we all deserve.

Jane Kimondo
Executive Director

Unaudited Financials:

Year ended **June 30, 2020** with comparison to fiscal year **2019**.

Statement of financial position (Restricted & Unrestricted)

Current Assets:	FY2020	FY2019
Cash.....	\$2,069,939	\$1,089,281
Accounts Receivable.....	\$103,520	\$51,572
Total Current Assets.....	\$2,173,459	\$1,140,853
Long term investments.....	\$4,652,922	\$4,586,046
 Total assets.....	 \$6,828,847	 \$5,726,899
 Liabilities and net assets		
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Change in Net assets.....	\$647,449	\$177,063
 Contributions		
Individuals.....	\$1,692,665	\$1,113,834
Foundation Grants.....	\$784,450	\$372,883
Investment return, net.....	\$100,912	\$167,907
Special Event, net.....	\$130,457	\$100,038
Other.....	\$100,336	\$114,140
(Endowment write-offs).....	(\$18,943)	\$0
 Total support and Revenue.....	 \$2,789,877	 \$1,868,802
 Expenses		
Program Services.....	\$1,740,282	\$1,398,724
Support services.....	\$402,146	\$293,015
 Total expenses.....	 \$2,142,428	 \$1,691,739

2020

BY THE NUMBERS

\$1,219,732

IN GRANTS TO
136 GROUPS

FROM **1,270**
DONORS

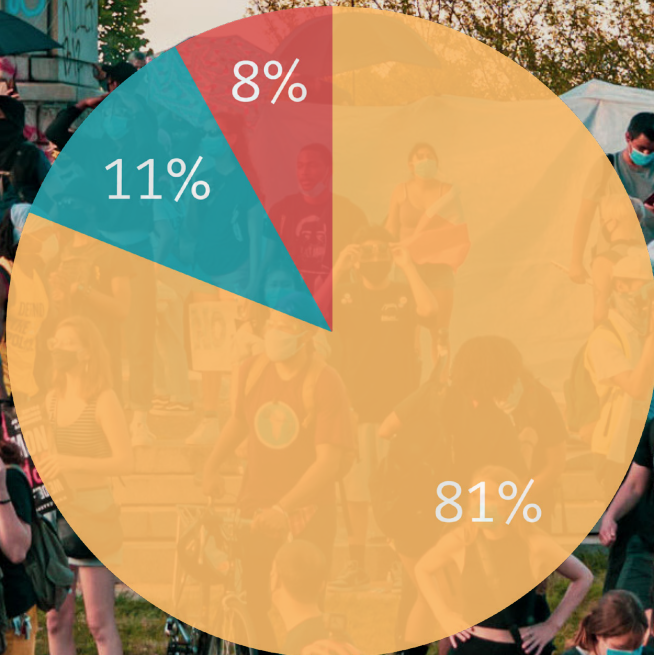




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Crossroads Fund 2020 Grantees

At Crossroads Fund, we believe that we all deserve vibrant and healthy communities. Our grantees are mobilizing Chicagoans to build strong intersectional movements, coalitions, and campaigns that are challenging the entrenched powers that perpetuate injustice. We make grants to those fighting for justice today because they are creating the victories we will celebrate tomorrow.

Since 1981, Crossroads Fund has served as an anchor organization for movement building across the city by moving money to grassroots organizers working at the intersections of racial, social, and economic justice in Chicago.

Since day one, we have been committed to using a community grantmaking model to fund bold organizing that is led by people directly impacted by the issues, strategies, and campaigns that get to the root cause of injustice.

By pooling resources from **1,200+** donors and engaging a community of grantmakers, Crossroads Fund helps to build movements in Chicago.



Scan to meet
our grantees.

ARTS & CULTURE

- Axis Lab
- The Center for International Performance and Exhibition dba HotHouse
- The Chicago Palestine Film Festival
- The Chicago SNCC History Project
- For the People Artists Collective
- Free Street Theater
- Free Write Arts and Literacy
- Honey Pot Performance
- Illinois Humanities Council
- SoapBox Productions and Organizing
- St. Kateri Center of Chicago
- The Women's Voices Fund

ECONOMIC JUSTICE AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

- The Alliance of the Southeast
- The Co-op Ed Center (CEC)
- Cooperation for Liberation
- Equity and Transformation (EAT)
- Northside Action for Justice
- The Race Conscious Dialogues (RCD)
- Silver Room Foundation
- Southside Together
Organizing for Power (STOP)

ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE

- Chicago Asian Americans for Environmental Justice
- People for Community Recovery



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GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE

- Alternatives To Calling Police During Mental Health Crises (ACP)
- Believers Bail Out (BBO)
- Black and Pink
- Black Lives Matter Chicago (BLM)
- Black Youth Project 100
- Chicago 400 Alliance
- Chicago Community Bond Fund
- Chicago Incarcerated Workers Organizing Committee (IWOC)
- Chicago Torture Justice Center (CTJC)
- Chicago United for Equity
- Citizen Advocacy Center (CAC)
- IL Muslim Civic Coalition
- Illinois Prison Project
- LIV3
- Live Free Chicago
- Love & Protect
- Moms United Against Violence and Incarceration
- Parole Illinois
- Prison + Neighborhood Arts Project (PNAP)
- Prison Liberation Collective
- Sister Survivor Network (SSN)
- Southsiders Organized for Unity and Liberation (SOUL)
- Unitarian Universalist Prison Ministry of Illinois
- Westside Justice Center
- Women's All Points Bulletin (WAPB)

HEALTH & EDUCATION

- Alliance for Community Services/RPCAN
- Chicago ADAPT
- Chicago Women's Health Center
- The Coalition to Save Our Mental Health Centers
- Fathers, Families & Healthy Communities (FFHC)
- Lifted Voices
- Midwest Access Coalition (MAC)
- Parents 4 Teachers
- People Matter (PM)
- Planned Parenthood of Indiana and Kentucky
- Raise Your Hand for IL Public Education
- Telpochcalli Community Education Project
- Ujimaa Medics
- YogaCare

HOUSING JUSTICE

- Autonomous Tenants Union (ATU)
- Chicago Area Fair Housing Alliance
- Chicago Housing Initiative
- Lift the Ban Coalition
- Lugenia Burns Hope Center
- The Northwest Side Community Development Corporation
- Pilsen Alliance
- Pilsen Housing Cooperative
- Tenants United of Hyde Park, Woodlawn, and South Shore

HUMAN RIGHTS AND INTERNATIONAL POLICY

- Christian Peacemaker Teams
- Committee for a Just Peace in Israel and Palestine (CJPIP)
- The National Boricua Human Rights Network (NBHRN)



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IMMIGRATION JUSTICE

- Albany Park Defense Network (APDN)
- The Alliance of Filipinos for Immigrant Rights and Empowerment (AFIRE)
- Blue Tin Production
- Borderless Magazine
- The Chicago Law and Education Foundation
- The Gage Park Latinx Council
- Illinois Immigration Funders Collaborative
- Immigrant Solidarity DuPage
- Little Village Solidarity Network
- Northern Illinois Justice for Our Neighbors
- Organized Communities Against Deportation (OCAD)
- PASO – West Suburban Action Project
- Southwest Suburban Immigrant Project (SSIP)
- United African Organization
- Working Family Solidarity

LESBIAN, GAY, BISEXUAL, TRANSGENDER, QUEER/QUESTIONING, INTERSEX, ASEXUAL

- Affinity Community Services
- Brave Space Alliance (BSA)
- Lighthouse Foundation
- Masjid al-Rabia
- SER El Cambio
- Transformative Justice Law Project (TJLP)

WORKERS RIGHTS

- Centro de Trabajadores Unidos (CTU)
- Chicago Community and Workers Rights
- Fight Now Chicago
- Get to Work (GTW)
- Healing to Action
- The National LGBTQ Workers Center
- The Sex Workers Outreach Project Chicago
- The Street Vendors Association of Chicago (SVAC)
- The United Transporters Community Council (UTCC)
- Workers Center for Racial Justice

YOUTH ORGANIZING

- A Long Walk Home (ALWH)
- About Face Theatre (AFT)
- The Arab American Action Network (AAAN)
- Asian Americans Advancing Justice Chicago (AAAJC)
- Blocks Together
- Chicago Desi Youth Rising (CDYR)
- Chicago Freedom School (CFS)
- Chicago Student Action
- Cicero Independiente
- Circles & Ciphers
- Club Taji Ciudad Hidalgo
- Community Justice for Youth Institute
- Dissenters
- The Hana Center's Fighting Youth Shouting Out for Humanity (FYSH)
- InterAction Initiative Inc.
- ONE Northside
- Solidarity Studios
- The Student Coalition for Reproductive Justice (SCRJ)
- Territory
- The Warehouse Project & Gallery
- Youth Empowerment Performance Project (YEPP)
- Youth Outlook



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TECHNOLOGY FUNDERS COLLABORATIVE

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 American Indian Center of Chicago
 Arab American Action Network (AAAN)
 Autonomous Tenants Union
 Blocks Together
 Brave Space Alliance
 Chicago Area Fair Housing Alliance
 Chicago Freedom School
 Chicago Workers Collaborative
 Circles & Ciphers
 Equity and Transformation (EAT)
 Future Ties, NFP
 Healing to Action
 Immigrant Solidarity DuPage
 Jane Addams Senior Caucus
 Lighthouse Foundation
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BECOME A PARTNER IN CREATING SOCIAL CHANGE

When you give to Crossroads Fund, your gift is pooled with others and becomes a significant resource to foster social change in Chicago and beyond.

Here are some ways you can give to Crossroads Fund:

ATTEND OUR ANNUAL BENEFIT

and bring friends!

WRITE A CHECK

and mail it to Crossroads Fund. Find out if your employer matches contributions — that is an easy way to make your gift go much further.

BECOME A SUSTAINER

and have your contribution deducted from your credit card monthly or quarterly. As a sustainer, you can take pride in knowing that you are one of our most reliable sources of support.

CONTRIBUTE ONLINE

via our secure service. It's quick, convenient, and safe — just log on to www.crossroadsfund.org.

HONOR OR REMEMBER SOMEONE SPECIAL

with a gift in their name.

CO-HOST A HOUSE PARTY

and help us spread the word about the good work of Crossroads Fund to your colleagues, friends, and family.

REMEMBER CROSSROADS FUND IN YOUR WILL, INSURANCES AND RETIREMENT PLAN

and all three are easy ways to have a lasting impact for social justice.

OPEN A DONOR ADVISED FUND

and partner with us to have an impact on social justice issues.

ESTABLISH A CHARITABLE TRUST

to benefit Crossroads Fund and reduce tax burden.



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