

# Freedom's Frontier National Heritage Area Partner Discussion Grants

Freedom's Frontier National Heritage Area invites you to submit a proposal for programming that would engage a broad section of your community in a discussion about race and equality.

Freedom's Frontier is a 501(c)(3). Our mission is to tell the stories of the settlement of the Frontier, the border and civil war on the western frontier, and the enduring struggle for Freedom. Freedom's Frontier is encouraging its partners to establish community dialogues centering on critical contemporary themes.

These themes may include:

- Racial and social injustice.
- Institutional Racism in our Communities.
- Black Lives Matter.
- Policing in our communities.
- The enduring struggle for Freedom: Victors and Victims, then and now.
- Ways communities can better address these social justice issues such as public arts projects.

We would also welcome proposals that would combine these themes or engage in discussions that are similar to those listed above. These engagements or discussions could be in person, digital, or both depending on the COVID-19 circumstances in each community. As an alternative, we welcome proposals for public art projects that promote thought and discussion of one or more of these themes listed above. While we want to understand the delivery method associated with the program, we will not give precedent to form.

Freedom's Frontier will provide \$10,000 in grants—\$5,000 in both Missouri and Kansas. The grants will range in size from \$1,000 to \$5,000.

Any Freedom's Frontier partner or partners that apply should do so in a narrative that suggests:

- A description of the program proposed.
- What Freedom's Frontier Partners would participate.
- What partners outside Freedom's Frontier would participate.
- How will you engage people of color in your community in both planning the program and participation in its execution?
- Would any additional financial support be brought to the effort?
- How many volunteers might be involved in the program?
- The goal for public participation in the program?

Send the narrative to Jim Ogle ([jogle@freedomfrontier.org](mailto:jogle@freedomfrontier.org)), Executive Director of Freedom's Frontier, before September 1. Submit any supporting documentation that the applicant would like to include.

The Freedom's Frontier Partner Advisory Group will review the applications and make recommendations to the Freedom's Frontier Board of Trustees for approval. The Trustees plan to award the grants at the October 2020 meeting. Freedom's Frontier will issue checks for the grants by October 31, 2020, upon completion of a grant agreement. Grant recipients should complete the programs by March 31, 2021. The grant recipient would have until April 30, 2021 to submit reports about the grant