



# Social Justice Fellowship Application

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## **Letter of Interest (LOI)**

*Please number your responses when addressing the following:*

1. Include your name, email, address and phone number.
2. Briefly describe yourself. Highlight initiatives you have taken for social justice in the past. Emphasize any acts of leadership and initiative you have shown for which you are proud.
3. What is your project and what is the specific problem your project is addressing? (For example: educating adults on services available to help children, projects to create affordable transportation for low income workers, efforts to help low income children pursue their education, offering services to help foster children or some other population, etc.)
4. If your project is successful, what will change? What measurable goals do you have?
5. List some major actions you plan to take. Explain how they are tied to your goal(s).
6. How much financial support are you seeking from the Social Justice Fund? Why? Include an itemized budget for these expenses. Be specific!
7. Explain your financial status and how a grant will help the progress of the project.
8. If you do not receive this funding, how do you plan to continue this work?
9. Find a sponsor who is either an established non-profit in Ventura County or a subject matter expert (such as a professor) who will be a mentor for the project. Please include the name, address, phone number and email address of the person and organization who will be your sponsor and coach.

## **Additional Documents Required**

- Please submit a letter from your sponsor explaining how they will support you.
- In addition to your letter from your sponsor, please submit two letters of recommendation from non-family members (past teachers, employers or others) who know your potential to lead.

**Formatting and Length:** Please limit your entire letter of interest to a maximum of **3 pages**. Use an 11 point font or larger and make margins 0.5 inches minimum.

## **Application Checklist**

- Letter of Interest (LOI)
- Letter from your sponsor
- Two letters of recommendation

**APPLICATIONS ARE DUE AUGUST 30, 2024**

**SUBMIT YOUR APPLICATION** to [info@socialjusticefundvc.org](mailto:info@socialjusticefundvc.org)

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