



Social Justice Fellowships Program 2026 – 2027 Overview

The Social Justice Fund for Ventura County (SJFVC) has strengthened emerging nonprofits since 2004. After strategizing with key leaders and supporters, SJFVC launched the *Social Justice Fellowships Program* in 2020 to support emerging leaders who see injustices in their own lives or communities and are ready to take action. Through a blend of peer-learning sessions and personalized mentorships, Fellows strengthen practical skills and deepen natural talents while advancing meaningful, community-driven projects grounded in lived experience.

Participation

Successful applicants become **Social Justice Fellows** who will receive:

- three in-person, half-day workshops during their Fellowship.
- a dedicated Coach for one-on-one monthly mentoring meetings.
- opportunities to regularly share project updates, successes, photos, etc.
- invitations to SJFVC gatherings, including fundraising events, community convenings, etc.
- guidance for submitting a final report package at the conclusion of their Fellowships.

Grants and Projects

- For 2026 – 2027, grant awards range from **\$6,000** up to **\$14,000**.
- All projects should focus on and be located within Ventura County, and align with SJFVC's mission to promote fairness, equity, and human rights.
- The Fellowships period will generally run from October 2026 to August 2027.

Grant Funds

To support Fellows leading and managing their social justice projects, grant funds can:

- pay for reasonable life expenses that enable Fellows to dedicate time to their projects.
- cover direct project expenses, planned or incurred.

Fellows come from all over Ventura County, rising with their families and communities, cascading outward waves of hope and renewal, and weaving together the threads of a more just and vibrant future for us all.

You can be a Social Justice Fellow.



Application Instructions & Workshop Schedule

Scan the QR Code or

Click here <[link](#)> or

Type/Copy-Paste: <https://socialjusticefundvc.org/grant-process/>

Application Deadline: Friday, August 28, 2026, at 6pm.