THE **REDFORD** CENTER

Redford Center Grants Program 2024 Frequently Asked Questions:

What stage projects are you accepting?

• We welcome projects that are in any stage of development, production, and post-production to apply. We do not accept applications from projects that are picture locked.

My project is fiction but has an environmental theme. Can I still apply?

• No, only documentary projects are eligible to apply.

My project is environmental but it does not have a solutions focus. Can I still apply?

• If your project does not include a proposed solution or activation and does not have plans for an impact campaign, your project will not be eligible for funding.

What if we've applied for previous rounds (2016-2024) to RC with the same project, can we apply again?

• Yes, you are welcome to apply with the same project as long as this project did not already receive a Redford Center Grant.

If my project is a docuseries, can I apply for funding support for an episode in the series?

• Yes, docuseries that already have completed episodes are eligible to apply.

Are you accepting international filmmakers and films about international topics?

• Yes, international applicants and stories are eligible to apply.

When will awarded filmmakers be notified?

• Applicants will be notified of their application's status in Fall 2024.

What language will the application need to be submitted in?

English

What qualifies as an "environmental film"? What if my film is partially about an environmental issue but it's not the main focus?

• We have a broad interpretation of what an "environmental story" is and we welcome crosscutting intersectional stories that may bridge several themes and issues. We are also interested in innovation that pushes the boundaries of what we may commonly expect an environmental story to be about, so if your project is breaking expectations, we welcome your creative vision. To get a sense of other projects that have been supported by our program see our past grantees here: https://www.redfordcenter.org/work/redford-center-grants/

Do we have to tell you exactly how we will spend the grant funds?

• If awarded, we do not ask for a spending report. However, we do ask in the application to share with us how these funds may be most useful to your project.

Do we need a US-based LLC to receive grant?

• You do not need an LLC to receive a grant. If you are US based, we will need to see a w9 for the entity receiving payment, can be an individual or an LLC. For International Grantees, if you have a corporation for your production company, we'll need to see some kind of corporate paperwork, or you can receive the grant to a bank account in your own name. We recommend projects receive funds through a bank that accepts USD as currency, but this is not a requirement.

How many work samples should we share?

• You are only expected to share one work sample.

Will we need to pay taxes on the grant?

• For US based grantees, you will receive a 1099 from us for the amount of the grant at the end of the tax year, and you will need to file this as income on your taxes. For International Grantees, you are expected to abide by your countries tax rules but we will not be issuing you a 1099 or any other tax documentation.

Can we apply with more than one project?

• You are welcome to submit applications for different projects, but each project should only have one application.

How and when do grantees receive consideration for the second grant?

• Awarded grantees will have the opportunity to apply for Year 2 Funding in Summer 2025 by sharing a project status report and impact plans with us.

Do you fund impact campaigns?

• Awarded funds can be used to support your impact campaign as long as your project is not picture locked when you apply.

What is required of our team and project if we receive the grant?

- We expect a team member to attend our U.S-based in-person Grants Summit in Spring 2025
- Each team will need to complete annual progress and impact reports

• You will be required to share cleared footage and photos for promotional purposes and provide a final video file when the project is complete for archival and internal screening purposes.

What are you going to do with our cleared footage and photos if selected for a grant?

• We request cleared footage and photos to use to acknowledge and promote your project on our website, and for promotional opportunities for your project, The Redford Center, and our Grants Program.

Our film is very confidential right now - what if we can't give you anything to use for promotional purposes?

• We can discuss this on a case-by-case basis.

What kind of credit will Redford Center be asking for? We already have other funders who have credits and must be in line with those.

- For the first grant will have the following credit: "TRC logo shall appear in the funders section of the end credits presented as "With Support from The Redford Center".
- The second grant, if awarded (limited number of these will be awarded as the 2nd part of grant program in 2025), will be larger and depending on the size of the grant it could be a "Co-production" or an "In Association With" credit, we respect the DPA guidelines for crediting.