



2024 A-Doc Impact Fellowship Frequently Asked Questions

1. I am making a film about social issue X. Can I apply to the Impact Fellowship to support the film's production costs?

No, the Impact Fellowship does not fund traditional film production costs. It could be helpful to reframe thinking about Impact for our Impact Fellowship as creating storytelling, or working with community about the uses of film/storytelling and the social impact this creates. For example, if your project engages community members to engage in storytelling/make films in a way they were not previously mobilized to do so—and not just be film protagonists in the traditional sense of the word—it could be an eligible impact project.

2. I made a film about social issue X and have a lineup of community screenings planned in partnership with local grassroots organizations to mobilize people to take action around issue X. Can I apply to the Impact Fellowship to support this series of screenings?

No, we do not fund impact campaigns in this traditional sense of the word. It could be helpful to reframe thinking about Impact for our Impact Fellowship as creating storytelling, or working with community about the uses of film/storytelling and the social impact this creates. For example, if your project seeks to mobilize people to take action through creating storytelling, it could be an eligible impact project.

3. I have an idea for an Impact Project that is still in the ideation phase. Will I be eligible to apply?

Absolutely, however we are seeking Impact Projects that can be completed within the Fellowship year, so your application will be evaluated based on the scale and feasibility of your proposal.

4. Can we apply as a collective?

Yes, the Impact Project can be led by a collective. Only one person from the collective will need to submit the application. Please do note, however, that the fellowship portion of the work (i.e. retreat at CAAM Fest, cohort calls, etc) will be represented only by one person of said collective.

5. I need more time to work on my application, can you grant an extension?

We have extended our original deadline from Feb 8 one week to Feb 15, 23:59 ET. We would not be able to accommodate additional extensions.

Click here to watch the [recording of the Impact Fellowship Info Session](#). We will continue to update this FAQ as more questions come in. If you have additional queries, please email ash@a-doc.org. We look forward to reading your application!