



Frequently Asked Questions – Reimbursement Program

Eligibility

Who's eligible for reimbursement?

Any Indivisible group that attends at least 3 out of 5 Immigrant Justice Summer calls, hosts an end-of-series gathering, and creates a plan for a community organizing action that prepares their community for a rapid response scenario is eligible to [apply](#). Up to \$1,650 total is available per group.

What if I'm not part of an Indivisible group, am I eligible for the reimbursement program?

There are two ways to go here. First, you can join one. There's likely an Indivisible group organizing near you already, and joining is a great way to plug into work that's already underway. [Find a group here](#). Second, if there isn't a group nearby, or you'd rather build something of your own, start a group. [Start a group here](#). All it takes is 2-3 people who care about this work.

And if you're asking this question because you're newer to organizing and wondering whether you belong here, you do. We're not prioritizing groups based on how long they've been established. What we're excited about is a strong idea. If you've got one, form a group and apply.

Does the person applying need to be an Indivisible group leader?

No. We're accepting applications from any Indivisible member associated with a group. You don't need to hold a leadership title to apply. Here is a link to the [application form](#).

My group has already been deeply involved in rapid response. Are we still eligible to apply, or is this only for groups that are starting up new efforts?

You're still eligible. This program isn't reserved for groups just getting started, it's open to any group that completes the series and takes action, no matter how much experience you're bringing in. Here is a link to the [application form](#).

Does the person applying need to have attended all 3 trainings themselves, or can it be different people from our group who each attended different calls?

It doesn't need to be the same person. Different members of your group can each attend different calls to count towards the 3 of 5 training call attendance requirement. Here is a link to the [application form](#).

How do we show that we have attended?

The application form asks you to attest that you attended.

If I couldn't attend a call live and watched it later on YouTube, do I still qualify?

Yes. If this is the case, please note this the [application form](#).

Using the Funds

What can the money be used for?

Two things:

1. Expenses related to hosting your end-of-series gathering including standard costs like food, printed materials, and supplies.
2. Expenses related to your community organizing action, e.g. the actual work your group decides to take on based on what you learn through the training.

How much can we get?

Up to \$1,650 total per group, split across two components:

1. Up to \$150 for your end-of-series gathering
2. Up to \$1,500 for your community organizing action.
3. Here is a link to the [application form](#).

What kinds of projects should we consider for our community organizing action?

We're looking for projects that reflect the lessons in the workbook and involve collaboration with immigrant-led organizations already doing this work. A few examples:

- Invite an immigrant justice organization to come train the groups in your region. Use the funds to cover the venue, food, and materials for hosting that training. *Note: we cannot reimburse a paid fee to the trainer themselves.*
- Funds can cover printing flyers, door hangers, or Know Your Rights materials for canvassing your neighborhood.
- Convene the Indivisible groups near you to compare rapid response plans and figure out what roles are covered across your region. The funds can cover venue, food, and materials for that gathering.

The projects most likely to stand out are ones that put what you learned in the series into practice and build directly on the relationships you're forming with the immigrant justice organizing already happening around you.

A practical note: if your project includes printed materials, such as canvassing materials, reach out to us at immigrantjustice@indivisible.org for a review of your materials before you spend the money and before you submit the application for reimbursement. There are

clear guidelines on what can and can't be included in printed materials as part of this program in the [application form](#). .

Can the funds be used to pay for services as part of our action, like a small fee to a local immigration lawyer to run a legal clinic?

No. The program excludes expenses tied to hiring staff or independent contractors, and a paid fee to a lawyer running a clinic would likely fall into that category. If your plan is a Know Your Rights or legal clinic, for example, the reimbursement can still cover venue, materials, and food, but not a professional fee. If your project depends on paid legal support, reach out to us directly so we can help you think through it. Here is a link to the [application form](#).

Are there restrictions on what can't be reimbursed?

Yes, we won't reimburse the following:

- Anything tied to supporting or opposing a candidate, political party, or state and local legislation.
- Postcards, letters, or postage.
- Alcohol.
- Gift cards or items purchased as gifts or rewards.
- Expenses from events co-hosted with a political party or candidate.
- Staff or independent contractor fees.

Keep your itemized receipts, as Venmo and Paypal summaries won't be accepted. Should we discover that a reimbursement was tied to anything listed above, we will require you to return the full reimbursement amount to us. Here is a link to the [application form](#).

Applying and Timeline

How do I apply?

Complete the [application form](#). You'll need to submit a separate application for each component, one for your end-of-series gathering and one (or more) for your community organizing action.

What's the deadline?

The reimbursement form closes October 5th, 2026, at 11:59pm PST. Make sure your receipts are submitted by then. If your event is happening after that date, you can make purchases ahead of time and submit those receipts before the deadline. What matters is that they're submitted on time, not that the event has already happened. All requests are subject to approval from Indivisible's internal team and reimbursements are not guaranteed.

Applications aren't processed first come, first served. They're reviewed and funded in phases based on the strength of the project. Take your time putting together a thoughtful application rather than rushing to be first. Here is a link to the [application form](#).

How long does it take to know if my application was approved?

Please allow 2-6 weeks for your application to be reviewed. You'll hear from us once your application has been reviewed and a decision has been made.

How long does it take to get reimbursed once my application is approved?

Please allow 2-3 weeks for processing once your application is approved.

How will funds be disbursed?

Your group can request that reimbursements be sent to your Distributed Fundraising account or to an individual member via direct deposit.

Other Funding Programs

Can I use IndivisiGather funds instead or in addition to these funds?

No. IndivisiGather is for community-building events, things like potlucks, retreats, or member appreciation gatherings, run through our C3, and it explicitly excludes political or advocacy-focused activities. Immigrant Justice Summer's reimbursement is built specifically for the rapid response and mutual aid work you develop through the training, which falls outside what IndivisiGather can fund. Learn more about [IndivisiGather here](#).

What's the difference between this reimbursement program and the Solidarity in Action grants?

Two key differences. First, this program is a reimbursement: you pay, then get paid back. Solidarity in Action is a grant: you apply and get approved before spending.

Second, Solidarity in Action is specifically for mutual aid projects, is run through our C3, is capped at \$2,500, and requires attending a separate speaker series first. This reimbursement program is built around what you learn through Immigrant Justice Summer specifically. Learn more about [Solidarity in Action grants here](#).

What's the difference between this reimbursement program and the GROW Grants?

Two key differences. First, this is a reimbursement program, which means that you pay for expenditures first, then get paid back. GROW Grants are a grant, which means you apply and get approved before spending.

Second, GROW Grants can't be used for a specific protest or rally. [Learn more about GROW Grants here](#).

Who do I contact with questions about this reimbursement program?

Email immigrantjustice@indivisible.org with any questions about the program.