

APPLICANTS' ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Resident of New York City.

Work experience that reflects an innovative perspective on the most serious problems affecting the daily lives of low-income children and the changes in services they need.

Deep connections with community stakeholders and supportive networks in the setting of current work (or the one in which this project's activities are to be carried out).

Experience working with advocacy coalitions and the media to bring about social changes will be welcomed.

Applicants should anticipate beginning their Fellowship project no later than one month after receiving the Fellowship. He or she may choose to work with or without a host organization. If the applicant intends to work with a host organization, its support-- including the use of office facilities, i.e., desk space, photo copies, etc.-- must be secured before submitting a proposal. Individuals currently receiving wages or a salary from the intended host organization for the proposed project must disclose the amounts of these wages or salary as well as the amounts of the grants or other funds they are applying for from any other sources.

Applicants must demonstrate that their Fellowship project does not replicate the activities of any other known program or project. Fellowship awards cannot be used to supplant or enhance funding activities or projects that are already being implemented by the intended host organization. Ongoing research projects and scholarly work will not be considered for Fellowships.

Trude Lash Fellowship Program Application

COVER SHEET (Please use separate sheet for following items only)

Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: () _____

Cell Phone: () _____

Daytime: () _____

Evening: () _____

Email: _____

Proposed Fellowship Project (2 sentences): _____

Trude Lash Fellowship Project Proposal Checklist:

1. Cover Sheet
2. Application Narrative
3. Budget
4. Resume
5. Two Letters of Recommendation (to be sent to Kaela Economos, Fund for Social Change, 135 East 15th Street, New York, NY 10003)
6. Letter from intended host organization (required only if the project intends association with a host organization.)

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

I. APPLICATION NARRATIVE (5 typewritten pages, single space, 12 pt. type)

A) Statement of Purpose:

Prepare a one-paragraph mission statement describing the goals, objectives and time frame of your Fellowship project with an emphasis on the social change you hope to accomplish.

B) Project Description:

Describe the social needs of your project's locale with a concise description of the project's methods and the activities by which you hope to accomplish the project's goals. Provide detailed information on whom the project will serve and exactly how it may stimulate positive social change. Provide any other supportive information explaining why this project is important to the community in which you have chosen to work.

C) Community Ties:

Explain in detail your ties to this community and why the work in this particular community is important to you.

D) Effectiveness:

Describe how you will evaluate the effectiveness of your proposed project.

- Use of the Fellowship: The Fellowship may be used by applicants who want to learn a particular skill or gain a body of knowledge to strengthen or expand their work. This might include specialized training or courses, a study tour, a research trip, a demonstration project or other activities that would enhance a person's skills or activism on behalf of children or families with children.
- Each recipient of a Fellowship will produce and present written documentation of his or her work during the Fellowship year. Please describe what you hope your final work product will be. This presentation/documentation could also include oral, audio or visual form. The presentation will document the work during the Fellowship year and be presented at the next award ceremony upon completion of the Fellowship. The awards ceremony will serve as a testament to social justice work and display the diversity and commitment of the Fellows and their work.

II. ATTACHMENTS

A) Budget:

Provide a one-page budget explaining how you intend to use the Fellowship.

B) Resume:

Provide a one-to two page resume including your employment and education history

C) Recommendations:

Provide two letters of recommendation of not more than two pages each. Each letter should include the author's organizational affiliation and position.

D) Host organization:

It is not necessary to have a host organization. If the project intends association with a host organization, include a letter from the organization which confirms its approval and what supports will be provided.

Completed applications should be sent to (electronic submission preferred):

Kaela Economos, kaela.economos@nycwf.org
Trude Lash Fellowship Program
c/o Fund for Social Change
135 East 15th Street
New York, NY 10003

Application Deadline: November 15, 2005

Process:

Application Review: December 13, 2005

In-Person Interviews: January 16, 2006- January 20, 2006

Fellowship Award Announcement: February 6, 2006

Award Ceremony: February 15, 2006, 5pm-7pm