Organizing Support Program (OSP) 2024 Application

About OSP:
The Organizing Support Program offers financial resources to grassroots member organizations fighting against immigration detention at the local level. Through DWN’s Organizing Support Program, we hope to support base building while increasing direct public engagement in the fight to abolish detention.

Eligibility
Ten Grantees will be selected based on an application process. Eligibility is open to local, grassroots member organizations who meet the following criteria:

- Annual organizational budget under $1 million
- Active engagement and participation in DWN’s activities and campaigns
- Project goals are aligned with DWN’s mission and vision
- Project involves individuals directly impacted by the detention system
- Active organizational DWN member (priority given to organizations that have been members for at least one term. Click here to check if your membership is active!)
- Have 501(c)3 status, either independently or via a fiscal sponsor
  *please note that we will prioritize members who have not received any other funding from DWN in 2023 or previous OSP support*

Campaigns or projects must include at least one of the below components:

- Campaign involves targeting of a specific detention center (including shut down, ensuring just closure and/or fighting the expansion of detention)
- Campaign or project is developing innovative ways to fight against detention, including supporting people in detention
- Campaign or project is focused on increasing the visibility of immigration detention
- Campaign or project is developing a strong base of individuals and allies engaged in anti-detention work

Grant Award: Up to $15,000
Grant Period: January 2024 – December 2024

Lobbying Restriction: Grant funds may only be used for the purposes designated in the approved grant budget and may not be used for any activity or communication intended to influence legislation or policy decisions, to support or engage in any activity to influence a ballot measure, or to influence a candidate election.

Reporting Requirements: Award recipients will be required to provide a brief written and financial report by February 19th, 2025.

Applications Due: October 23rd, 2023
Funds Disbursement: January 2024

Submit your OSP application

Questions? Contact us at OSP@detentionwatchnetwork.org