



# BLACK RESILIENCE IN COLORADO (BRIC)



Black Resilience in Colorado Fund  
The Denver Foundation

## HOW BRIC SUPPORTS THE METRO DENVER'S BLACK COMMUNITY

Established on Juneteenth (June 19), the Black Resilience in Colorado (BRIC) Fund explicitly directs resources to address systemic racism and its impact on Black communities across the seven-county Metro Denver region. BRIC is designed to support Black-led and serving nonprofit organizations. Through the Fund, nonprofits will have opportunities to leverage community assets, build organizational capacity, and secure resources during times of crisis.

## BRIC GRANTS

The BRIC Fund offers grants to support the efforts of Black-led and serving nonprofits in Metro Denver. Grants will be made at the discretion of a community-led advisory committee dedicated to improving Black communities in Denver.

Each applicant must meet the following criteria:

- Be a viable 501(c)3 nonprofit organization or have a fiscal sponsor.
- Be Black-led and Black serving. The Denver Foundation defines “Black” as encompassing people of African and Afro-Caribbean descent, including African immigrants and refugees.
- Serve the seven-county Metro Denver area.
- Fit one or more of the identified priorities identified by the community-led advisory committee.
- Priority will be given to organizations with limited or no access to other relief funds, limited or no endowments, and/or limited or no cash reserves.

For more details, please review the BRIC Grant Guidelines: [denverfoundation.org/blackresilience](https://denverfoundation.org/blackresilience)

## THE DENVER FOUNDATION

### MISSION

We inspire people and mobilize resources to strengthen our community.

### VALUES

- Leadership
- Equity
- Inclusiveness
- Accountability

### ABOUT

The Denver Foundation is the largest and most experienced community foundation in the Rocky Mountain West.

For more than 90 years, Denver residents have trusted the Foundation to steward charitable funds to meet today's needs and tomorrow's opportunities.

It's a growing legacy and a community-wide effort to build a better future for everyone.

At The Denver Foundation, we've been taking care of the future since 1925.

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## BRIC LOAN PROGRAM

The BRIC Fund and Urban Land Conservancy are partnering to launch the BRIC Loans Program, offering low-interest loans for pre-development and capital expenditure to Black-led/serving nonprofit organizations. Starting in January 2021, applications will be accepted for loans up to \$50,000 from the initial pool of \$250,000. For more information, contact [BRIC@denverfoundation.org](mailto:BRIC@denverfoundation.org).

## EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS OF COLOR INSTITUTE (EDCI)

EDCI is a two-year leadership development and organizational capacity-building program for BIPOC nonprofit leaders. Monthly peer-led learning sessions strengthen the individual leadership and collective impact of BIPOC-led nonprofit organizations across Metro Denver. For more information or to request an application, contact [EDCI@denverfoundation.org](mailto:EDCI@denverfoundation.org).

## THE LANDSCAPE PROJECT

The Landscape Project Cohort is a peer-to-peer network of nonprofit organizations (BIPOC-led and white-led) working to strengthen and expand the internal and external racial equity and inclusion policies and practices of their organizations and influence the nonprofit sector at large. For more information, contact [lsullivan@denverfoundation.org](mailto:lsullivan@denverfoundation.org).

## SUPPORT METRO DENVER'S BLACK COMMUNITY.

*Consider a gift to the BRIC Fund Today!*

Please call 303.300.1790 or email [lsullivan@denverfoundation.org](mailto:lsullivan@denverfoundation.org) for assistance with your gift.

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*Denver African American Philanthropists (DAAP) were among the first supporters of BRIC.*