GUIDELINES FOR FLOWERS FUND

The Flowers Fund supports innovation and mentorship in human rights education (HRE) in the United States. It encourages new philosophic and theoretical thinking, new pedagogies, and new outreach methods for HRE, as well as emerging leadership in the field.

Grants range from $500 - $1,000, representing no more than 20% of the fund total, will be made every calendar year. Awards are determined by the Flowers Fund Committee of Human Rights Educators USA (HRE USA), which meets annually to consider applications. This Committee determines number of grants made in any year.

Areas of Support: All applications should have direct relevance to human rights education (HRE) in the United States. In support of innovation and mentorship, The Flowers Fund will consider projects such as research in human rights education, travel to attend HRE conferences, and innovative projects that expand the scope and understanding of HRE and/or extend the audience for HRE.

The Flowers Fund does not support undergraduate or graduate tuition fees, the purchase of equipment, or organizational operating costs.

Eligibility: Grants may be made to individuals and organizations that are members of HRE USA and directly engaged in human rights education in the United States. Applicants might include:

- undergraduate and graduate students
- current and retired teachers at any academic level
- staff members of organizations engaged in human rights education
- human rights activists

Grant recipients from the Flowers Fund are ineligible to reapply for 12 months following receipt of a grant.

Application Process: Applicants should submit a completed Flowers Fund Application Form to the Flowers Fund Committee of Human Rights Educators USA before July 1 any calendar year. This committee meets annually to consider applications. Successful applicants will be notified by mid-August. Funds granted to successful applicants should be used within 12 months of the date of granting.

Reporting Obligations: Within 12 months of receiving the grant, successful applicants will submit to the Flowers Fund Committee a brief report describing how the funds were spent and how they supported the applicant’s project.