

FAQ # 28: I keep hearing about these 850 Grants that have already been awarded by Jazz for Peace. How can I get this Grant for MY outstanding cause, organization or music project and confirm my event with “Funds ALREADY raised for me and in my Bank Account”?

ANSWER: First check out a [Recent Jazz for Peace Event](#) and see how an outstanding cause can benefit from a world class jazz performance and empowerment program to make it a success!

Then check out their [Introductory Video](#) to see how they have done it for 850 outstanding causes, their [additional information page](#) to see testimonials and summaries from individual grant recipients and their [Grant Workshop Video](#) to see how the Jazz for Peace Team can work together with you to get YOUR GRANT approved!

FINALLY: Contact the Jazz for Peace Grant Administration Team directly to assist you to [send your template letter](#) out to all of your friends, supporters, and team members so you can Gather all of your VIP Guests of Honor who will be **PAID** to attend this event (see [actual examples](#) from Grant Candidates and Recipients and [additional info](#)).

We can then list these names and comments on your Grant [Application](#) and get your grant approved and event confirmed “with funds ALREADY raised for you!”

FAQ # 29: I am amazed at how easy and fun it was to gather my VIP guests of honor using your [template letter](#). Why was it so easy?

ANSWER: There are actually three reasons why this important step to successfully introduce you to our board is so enjoyable and easy.

#1. Because of YOU!

You have an outstanding cause, organization or music project that resonates with people and they were just waiting for you to be recognized by a foundation that has a long and proven track record of providing a helpful step forward for underfunded yet extremely deserving grant recipients just like you along with an opportunity for supporters such as they to participate that is so outstanding that many VIPs tell us they felt like they "got paid" to attend this event.

2. Because of the VIP Guest of Honor Experience! The amazing perks and amenities we offer to VIP's enables them to **actually “GET PAID”** what has turned out in many instances to be a value of 5 Times the amount of the ticket price chosen by you just to attend what many now consider to be “[one of the most significant cultural events of our time!](#)” in order to give a much needed and deserved “Helpful Step Forward” to YOUR outstanding cause as detailed in the "VIP Guest of Honor Fast Facts" located [HERE](#).

3. Because of Jazz for Peace! 🕊️

While your outstanding mission and dedication certainly brought them at least halfway or more, the extraordinary and truly unique information about Jazz for Peace™ detailed in the links on your template letter as well as your VIP INVITE with Receipt will take your VIP guests the rest of the way giving them the confidence to make their commitment to this event and “help us [plant the roots](#) so we can grow your [empowerment tree!](#)”

This list of names and comments (we do not need any personal information etc. - just names some comments only) gives our board the same confidence to go forward with your grant application that they have had with the previous 850 approved applicants.

FAQ 29a: Do VIP guest list have to pay anything?

ANSWER:

With the help of your [template letter](#), we are now collecting the group of people who will actually “Get Paid” to be the VIP Guests of Honor at your fundraising event!

By requiring that each VIP review our Introductory Video (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hV8tM36x4AY>) as well as also give them a chance to review our latest event & Grant Workshop videos also located on the [VIP Page Link](#) in your template letter, our VIP Guests of Honor become extremely important to this event because with their knowledge and commitment, they not only make up the foundation of this event but also make up what we call the **ROOTS** of our Empowerment Tree. **For this reason each VIP actually GETS PAID** what has turned out in many instances to be a value of 5 Times the amount of the ticket price chosen by you to attend as detailed in the "VIP Guest of Honor Fast Facts" located [HERE](#).

Thank you for this list of 65 VIP Guests of Honor who along with their wives, spouses, significant other or whomever they choose to accompany them to this historic event will be a total of 130 VIP Guests who will be "paid" to attend as detailed in the VIP Guests of Honor Fast Facts located in your outreach letter and also here - <https://jazzforpeace.wordpress.com/step-2/> (scroll down to the “VIP Guest of Honor Fast Facts!”)

Since VIP Tickets are often worth as much as 5 times the value of their discounted price due to all of the perks and amenities listed above, the next step will be for you and your team to decide exactly how much each VIP will be "paid" by deciding on the price of their VIP Ticket.

For example:

A VIP ticket which costs \$25 can often be worth as much as \$100 in value due to all of the perks and amenities listed in the VIP guests of honor fast facts link that the VIP guests of honor will receive depending on our sponsors and other factors which may help to determine and enhance their experience.

A VIP ticket which costs \$100 can often be worth as much as \$300 in value due to all of the perks and amenities that the VIP guests of honor will receive.

A higher ticket price will often raise more funds for your organization with this step, however a lower ticket price will often be more affordable for your chosen VIPs there by making it easier for them to participate and assist you by inviting so many of their friends and family members as well.

Please choose a VIP price that will help us raise maximum funds for you but at the same time be affordable for your chosen guests of honor.

In order to help you decide on the best price for your VIPs, please review the entire list of Perks and Amenities provided by our Foundation which are located at the "VIP Guest of Honor Fast Facts" link above and let us know if you have any questions about how we are able to make the VIP Guests of Honor feel like they actually "GOT PAID" to attend this event as well as any questions about this step to gather the VIP Guests of Honor in advance using your template letter.

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ADDITIONAL QUESTION: Why are the VIP Guests of Honor at our event treated so well?

ANSWER: Because they represent the launching pad for our efforts to complete BOTH Step 1 (ROOTS) AND Step 2 of the 6 Goals listed below that we want to achieve when we Grow your Empowerment Tree - <http://jazzforpeace.org/tree/>

1. We believe you need to EXPAND your Donor and Support Base! (ROOTS)
2. In addition you need to thank, reward, honor and REJUVENATE the supporters you already have.
3. You need more Sponsors!
4. You could use some new PRESTIGIOUS supporters.
5. You need more publicity and awareness.

6. And last but not least - you need to be better FUNDED.

We hope this helps you understand why the VIP Guests of Honor names and comments (we don't require any personal info - just names & comments) are especially important to our board when we introduce to them each outstanding cause or project. Please let us know if you have any additional questions about this step.

Want more info on this step? [CLICK HERE!](#)

FAQ #30: What is your policy if we would like to change the date or otherwise postpone our event?

ANSWER: Because your success is so important to us you are likely to find our grant administration team willing to be as flexible as possible to assist you should a change of date be necessary. However, please keep in mind that any date change must be accompanied by a new date that has been mutually agreed upon by you and Jazz for Peace. This request must be submitted at least 6 weeks before the original event date and then be approved by our board. In addition the new date that you and our team have mutually chosen for your event must also fall within four months of the originally proposed date on your grant application.

FAQ #30a: What if we have already changed our date and need to do so again?

ANSWER: While this is the rarest of circumstances our Board has sometimes approved a second date change if it were to fall within two weeks of the date.

FAQ #31: I was amazed when I told my friend Larry about Jazz for Peace and he said it "looked like a SCAM". After all that Jazz for Peace has accomplished, do you feel hurt when people STILL question your program?

ANSWER: Our work is a long and incredible journey, and in many instances can almost be compared to an intervention. If it wasn't for well intended folks like Larry there would never be a need for an organization like Jazz for Peace™ in the first place so we are certainly delighted to know that he is out there. Here is the next step for Larry: Introduction from our Founder - <http://jazzforpeace.org/fromourfounder3.html> And here are the actual letters from the supporters of this program that are mentioned in the letter of introduction above: <http://jazzforpeace.org/prestigioussupporternepal.pdf> "Last but not least", a simple review of a recent event (<http://jazzforpeace.org/vegas/>), a synopsis of ALL of our events, or our Grant Workshop as located on our [3 Easy Steps Page](http://jazzforpeace.org/3steps.pdf) (<http://jazzforpeace.org/3steps.pdf>) that has ALREADY helped over 850 others will certainly give Larry the knowledge that he needs to make an informed opinion and thereby give you a much more informed response. Looking forward to your reply and best wishes.

Below is a recent exchange.

Jazz for Peace: Would you like to obtain or recommend someone for this Grant and go to the next easy step?

Mis Carter
Scam

Jazz for Peace: No

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*** See all our Frequently Asked Questions at: <https://jazzforpeace.org/grant/>

See recent event in your country: <https://jazzforpeace.org/brazil09.htm>

Mis Carter

Thanks

Is there any way we can work together ?

Jazz for Peace: Hi Mis Carter,

I am glad to assist you and your team to understand the easy Grant Confirmation Process which I believe I can show you in only a few minutes in this reply below.

Step 1: In this three minute Grant introductory video (Click here to see - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=axHe99bKbQ0>) you learned how one organization was able to turn a simple comment into \$25,000 already raised and in their bank account and how it was only the very beginning of the fundraising process!

Some grant recipients confirm their events with less than \$25,000 already raised and in their bank account and others confirm their events with even MORE than \$25,000 already raised and in their bank account.

The important thing to remember is that this is only the BEGINNING of the fundraising process.

Step 2: Here is a Grant Recipient that just followed this step on July 23rd and raised over \$16,000 and now we can move on to the even more profitable Branches of the Jazz for Peace Empowerment Tree - <https://jazzforpeace.org/comments.pdf>

They are just 1 of over 850 Grants that have already been awarded and with your understanding we hope for you to soon be one of the next 850 ecstatic (<https://jazzforpeace.wordpress.com/about/> - scroll down to "testimonials") Grant Recipients!

And it all started with only a simple comment!

To start the process of getting funds to your outstanding project immediately please click on the link below and reply back with your simple comment just like 850 others have already done!

Click here to submit your comment and start the funding process:

<https://jazzforpeace.org/cultural-leader.pdf>

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Looking forward to your reply,
Debra

John De Angelis, Grant Administrator / Debra R Cerritelli, Senior Event Coordinator - Jazz for Peace™ Grants

PS - To make this step as easy as possible please see other comments from recent grant candidates HERE (USA Event - <https://jazzforpeace.org/voicessetfreeevent.pdf>) and HERE (International Event - <https://jazzforpeace.org/jfpgermany.pdf>)

FAQ #32. Why can't we ask the founder to contact people directly and share the Grant Details Video and other educational or promotional materials?

ANSWER: Due to our "non biased selection policy" which gives every outstanding organization, cause or project an equal and fair chance, Jazz for Peace™ Foundation By Laws specifically prohibit any kind of "direct solicitation of our funding".

For this reason, our informative [Grant Video Presentation](#) must be shared first by a third party such as you, a friend or family member or yours, or an acquaintance.

However, if you or anyone else that you have shared the Video with happens to know of an outstanding organization or cause who might be in need, it is entirely allowable for either you or they to go ahead and share the video with them and let us know of their interest or put them in touch with us directly provided that they have already seen the video.

FAQ Addendum to #22: Jazz for Peace™ will be replacing Fractured Atlas with a new fiscal sponsor in 2017. Thank you in advance for your tax deductible donations and Happy Holidays!

FAQ #33: The services you provide are quite unique! How is it considered a "grant"?

ANSWER: Our Grant Workshop Video - <https://vimeo.com/186064846> - details how our Grant Candidates are able to confirm their events with "funds already raised for you and

in your Bank account” by VIP Ticket Sales and/or sponsors. These funds received by you and which “do not have to be paid back” already define this award as a Grant in accordance with its definition - [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Grant_\(money\)](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Grant_(money))

In addition, once your event is confirmed “with funds already raised for you and in your Bank account!” you will actually receive 100% of all additional ticket sales at ticket prices that will ultimately be decided by you. Our Grant Administration Dept. will show you prices of similar events etc. to help you decide of course. And once again these are all funds that “do not have to be paid back” further satisfying the definition of a Grant.

However - THIS IS ONLY THE BEGINNING!

This video and other important Jazz for Peace Literature also details how this Grant has successfully helped recipients to receive many other things which are equally important to any outstanding causes sustainability and survival including publicity & awareness, sponsors, the opportunity to thank and reward your supporters and make new partnerships as detailed here - <http://www.jazzforpeace.org/ega1a.html> . ALL of which "do not have to be repaid" and collectively make up the "Helpful Step Forward" that is clearly described in "THE ESSENTIAL COMPONENTS OF THIS GRANT" found here - <https://jazzforpeace.wordpress.com> - a “Helpful Step Forward” that we hope is one of MANY grants, awards, contributions and donations that you have or will qualify for and receive from the philanthropic world and public at large both before and since.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

Are you aware that Jazz for Peace continues to raise sustainable funds for our Grant Recipients even AFTER their Grant has already been awarded? If not please check out this video and let us know your thoughts! Standing Up for our Grant Recipients: <https://vimeo.com/189388>

FAQ #34: QUESTION: After reading your testimonials I was wondering - why are your Grants services so helpful [to your Grant recipients](#) yet at the same time so little well known?

ANSWER: Many Foundations use their own funds to PAY board members to review Grant applications thereby making it financially viable for them to review and also REJECT large amounts of Grant Applicants.

We on the other hand actually find it advantageous to NOT waste our valuable funds for this purpose and instead inform only a small percentage of outstanding causes and projects in the world about our Grant.

Why?

Because having your initial VIP outreach find out about Jazz for Peace DIRECTLY from you helps us to MAXIMIZE the funds that we are able to raise for you via this Grant opportunity.

Here's how.

When you follow the simple step to "Help Us Introduce You To Our Board" (<http://jazzforpeace.org/comments.pdf>) you will learn that many of your friends, family, and supporters will have never previously heard of Jazz for Peace thereby giving you the following advantages:

1. They will be delighted to be finding out from your template letter about the 15 year achievements of Jazz for Peace™.
2. They will be delighted to know that out of all of the other causes, projects and non-profits in your community, that YOU have been singled out and selected as part of the Jazz for Peace™ process to "Separate the Wheat from the Chaff" by exposing to the world those that we (and certainly in this case you) feel to be the most outstanding and dedicated.
3. They will be delighted to know that because of YOU they now have this chance for the very first time to experience Jazz for Peace™ just in time to celebrate the 15th Anniversary of our Landmark Event at the United Nations which united Israeli, Palestinian and American Jazz Musicians and started this Benefit Concert Series that has now gone on to help over 850 Outstanding Causes!
4. They will be delighted to know that this opportunity for them to experience Jazz for Peace will ALSO give them the chance to benefit YOUR outstanding cause at the same time!
5. They will be delighted to know that this opportunity for them to experience Jazz for Peace will ALSO give them the chance to benefit THEM as detailed in our VIP Guest Of Honor Fast Facts!
6. They will be delighted to know that many outstanding causes are STILL receiving FUNDS and BENEFITS from their association with Jazz for Peace™ for months and years after their event has been completed.

And we want to be sure our event for you offers the same Helpful Step Forward that has made us so proud of this program and the wonderful organizations around the world that it has been our privilege to serve.

FAQ #35: QUESTION: Understanding the importance to successfully introduce my project to your Board, what advice do you have for someone like me who is currently exhausted and overwhelmed with my project and get tired after a minuscule amount of seconds and my attention span leaves something to be desired?

ANSWER: Here is how to play a simple yet healthy mind trick by pretending that you are “where you want to be” instead of “where you actually are” in order to easily understand how to Help Us Introduce You To Our Board!

Step 1: [Click HERE](#) and read the quotes from all of the famous names of cultural and world leaders who are a thousand times more busy than you yet STILL found a way to focus on our program for the short time that was long enough to understand this same next step that we are now showing you.

Step 2: Now pretend you are actually one of THEM and turn off the sound on your phone - click on our apply link (<http://jazzforpeace.org/apply>) and just like they did, go through the details in front of you carefully and with focus review the short 1 & 1/2 pages of text, clicking on the hyperlinks provided as well for crystal clear clarification.

You will now be able to call us on our direct line or email us at info@jazzforpeace.org with questions that will be extremely informed and therefore easy for our Grant Administration Team to assist you with and help you complete this important step to Help Us Introduce You To Our Board placing you well on your way to Grant Approval!

FAQ #36: We have followed FAQ #35 and are ready to gather our VIP’s so we can “Help You Introduce Us To Your Board” via their names and comments! What is the best way to Raise the MOST funds for our outstanding cause with this very first fundraising step?

ANSWER: <http://jazzforpeace.org/suggestion>

Want more info? Please review this example of a VIP Video from one of our previous events and breakdown of the value these VIP Guests received in an easy format which includes the kind of questions that you and your team might ask - <https://jazzforpeace.org/vipbreakdown.pdf>

FAQ #36: Why is Grant funding so important in comparison to other types of funding?

ANSWER: The reason that our previous 850 Grant Recipients along with so many other prestigious people support what we do is because Grant Funding has and will always be a [great way](#) to obtain funds due to the fact that it is money that neither has to be crowd sourced, borrowed, or paid back.

To obtain Grant funding NOW click on the link below for our NEW Quick & Easy ABC Checklist to get a Grant from Jazz for Peace™:

<http://jazzforpeace.org/>

FAQ #37: Why do you confirm your event first BEFORE obtaining the venue?

Here is a sample venue letter showing the assurances we were able to offer to the finest venues for our previous events - <http://jazzforpeace.org/venueletter>

For maximum fundraising results, please review this order below which allows these assurances to be guaranteed to each venue.

Proper order to obtain Grant and Venue Confirmation:

1. **Choose the approximate city** for this event which will be held at a “convenient and appropriate” venue in this city and using your [Personal Fundraising Link](#) (and/or Template Letter), send us a list of the names and comments of all of the VIPs chosen by you and your team who will be “paid” by Jazz for Peace to attend this event as detailed in your personal link an/or template letter.
2. Once we have reviewed your VIP list and we have assisted you to make it as complete as possible thereby raising maximum funds for your with this fundraising step (the first of many), you can now **complete your Grant Application with your preferred date listed** (you will pick 3 dates, a first second and third choice).
3. Once your Grant Application is approved, you can now **collect the funds from your VIP Guests of Honor using our Special VIP Invitation With Receipt** so that your event is confirmed with “funds already Raised for you!” and IN your bank account!
4. NOW we have the [assurances of confirmed event, number of VIP’s already attending, world class performers committed for this date and retained by JFP Foundation, Jazz for Peace event coordinator team committed to making the event a success and more](#) to offer the venue the same assurances as our previous 850 events!

FAQ #38: Hi Debra! We’re having difficulty to raise (collect) funds to send to Jazz for peace from supports, and friends. Please what are other options we can raise funds? - Steven

ANSWER: Dear Steven,

I think you will find that MANY thousands of VIP's will want to sign up if you can tell them how much they will be getting PAID to attend.

In order to determine this amount - here is the NEXT STEP.

1. Please show this link to a handful of your most important Team Members - <http://jazzforpeace.org/kisoro>

2. Then ask them what would be the appropriate amount that they would be willing to GET PAID in order to attend as a VIP Guest of Honor.

A \$5 per person VIP Ticket will equal \$25 of VIP Perks and Amenities.

A \$10 per person VIP Ticket will equal \$50 of VIP Perks and Amenities.

A \$25 per person VIP Ticket will equal \$125 of VIP Perks and Amenities. (a \$100 per person profit)

Please let us know!

FAQ #39: using your NEW Personalized Fundraising Link, what is the best procedure of collecting these reviews (names and comments)?

ANSWER: Here is one of the most successful and easiest ways:

1. Send the link to the 10 or so most important supporters and team members of your outstanding cause or project and collect their names and comments either by phone, in person, or simply by asking them to click the reply button on the email that you sent them.

This gives YOU a VIP list of 10 or so names and comments.

2. Then ask EACH of those 10 or so people (or just the most enthusiastic ones) to help your organization expand their donor and support base by doing the same.

You will now have 10 MORE VIP Lists of 10 or so names and comments each simply by having a lot of people - do a LITTLE bit.

Please let me know if this tried and true technique used by others can also be just as helpful to you.

FAQ #40: I was told we may be able to use one of our preferred venues (at Yale U.) in the spring. As soon as I know for sure, I'll start gathering names for the VIP list?

ANSWER: Thanks for this news and we have updated your personalized Fundraising Link to reveal that the event will be held at a convenient & appropriate venue on or nearby to Yale.

Click here to see - <http://jazzforpeace.org/eric>

Waiting for the venue is very common **but definitely NOT** the most profitable way.

The reason for this based on our 15 year history of helping over 850 organizations is that once the venue is finally revealed you are now starting from the beginning, while by using the personalized VIP Invite that we have made for you at the link above to obtain the commitments from your VIPs IN ADVANCE, all you have to do is collect the money from them once your grant application has been approved - and you can submit your grant application right away listing these VIPs thereby saving tons of time and allowing our TEAM to ALSO begin raising funds for you!

Below is FAQ #39 detailing most profitable way to go forward and **since you have already completed step 1 please take a look at step 2** in this frequently asked question below.

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FAQ #40: Now that we have obtained your Board approval and received your VIP Invite, do you have any tips to help us collect the funds even faster so you can start assisting us to Grow our Empowerment Tree even sooner?

ANSWER:Our Team is very excited to begin assisting you to grow all of the Branches of your [Empowerment Tree](#) in order to make the event as successful as possible!

The very first step is to Plant the ROOTS by quickly collecting the funds from your VIP Guests or Honor, taking out the funds already raised for you and sending the balance to Jazz for Peace so that we can immediately book the Airline Tickets and all of the many other things detailed [HERE](#).

And of course the sooner we can get started the better.

However, we know it takes time for your VIP Team to collect the funds from all 625 people on the list who will purchase at least a Pair of tickets each (1250 VIPs total) so here are some tips to collect these funds quickly and if possible well IN ADVANCE of the Nov. 24th deadline so that our team can get started even sooner!

Click here: <http://jazzforpeace.org/roots.pdf>

Please review these WINNING "ROOTS PLANTING" TECHNIQUES to help you confirm your event even faster and let us know if it is helpful.

FAQ #41: So how does the process work?

Step 1: HELP US INTRODUCE YOU TO OUR BOARD ([see personalized link example](#))

Step 2: Confirm Your Event with Funds ALREADY RAISED for you and IN your Bank Account!

Step 3: With Board Approval (Step 1)and Event Confirmed with funds ALREADY raised (Step 2), our staff can begin the process to "[Grow your Empowerment Tree](#)" to make your event as successful as possible in order to help you get "from where you are now - to where you need to be!"

Here is our Easy Grant Workshop Video to explain this process: <https://vimeo.com/186064846>

FAQ #42: On your website, it states that Jazz for Peace is under the umbrella of a fiscal sponsorship. That means that your org. does not have the requirements or registration to be a 501c3, therefore causing any regranting to become questionable. If you are making contributions as a foundation, it is to be disclosed to the public, and I would like to take a look at that information. If you simply supply your EIN, that would be most helpful and possibly lead to a wonderful relationship with you and some amazing musician.

Again, not trying to cause trouble...I'm just looking out for a friend.

Best,

Michael

ANSWER: Dear Michael,

Thank you so much for your kind reply and legitimate and honest inquiry and you are more than welcome to research our Jazz For Peace TAX ID # 76-0810322.

In addition you should also take note that we absolutely **have** used the umbrella of a fiscal sponsorship to raise funds for ourselves.

However, what confuses me about your inquiry is the following:

A. What do our OWN funds have to do with the \$25,000 already raised and in this Grant Recipients Bank Account that was achieved as stated on their WIN GRANT FORM which is clearly visible in this 3 minute video - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=axHe99bKbQQ>

B. What do our OWN funds have to do with the even MORE profitable fundraising branches that can now be attained by the Grant recipient who with our help has now planted the ROOTS to

their Empowerment Tree as detailed here - <https://jazzforpeace.wordpress.com/about/>

C. What do our OWN funds have to do with "THE ESSENTIAL COMPONENTS OF THIS GRANT!" as detailed here: <https://jazzforpeace.wordpress.com/>

D. What do our OWN funds have to do with your friends (the amazing musician that we hope to help obtain this proven Helpful Step Forward for his or her career) decision as to whether or not he or she would like to follow this very same proven model that not only achieved \$25,000 for the organization in the 3 minute video (thereby leading them to the even **MORE** profitable fundraising Branches of our Empowerment Tree), but also the same "Helpful Step Forward" for over 850 others?

Looking forward to your reply and your honest answers to these questions above.

In the meantime:

Need funding for your project? As you know from watching this 3 minute video,

All you need is a comment!

Here is an honest comment about this link:

<http://jazzforpeace.org/cultural-leader.pdf>

"International Jazz Day could not happen without partners like Jazz for Peace....using concerts, community outreach and education programs to raise support and awareness for local and international charities...to promote charitable and service-based activities that help make a positive difference in the world...to unify and empower the vulnerable in our society. We are indebted to you for your steadfast support, and look forward to working with you..." ~ Herbie Hancock

[Click HERE](#) to see many, many more!

Now you can ALSO plant the seed to your empowerment tree (<http://jazzforpeace.org/tree/>) simply by letting us know YOUR honest comment.

FAQ #43: Is this any different than crowdfunding?....maybe I am wrong but this is what my guts is telling me.

ANSWER: In our many non-profit communications we have learned that crowdfunding, which you can also see from this [article](#), has a very high failure rate:

<https://fundraisingcoach.com/2017/02/15/dont-like-crowdfunding/>

This is because in addition to statistics showing success rates as low as 13% on some of the most well known crowdfunding sites, its primary focus on money alone is also limited and MUST be combined with the stewardship and ongoing relationship-building that the Jazz for Peace™ Empowerment Grant intrinsically embraces by offering all the following - ALL of which you are in need of:

1. We believe that your outstanding cause or project needs to EXPAND your Donor and Support (Fan) Base
2. Thank, reward, honor and REJUVENATE the supporters you already have.
3. Obtain more Sponsors!
4. New & PRESTIGIOUS supporters.
5. Greater Publicity and Awareness.
6. And last but not least – to be better FUNDED.

These are the 6 Branches of our Empowerment Tree that this Grant provides and which has proven to be the cornerstone of our success as detailed in the many hundreds of testimonials received by previous Grant recipients.

Are we also correct in identifying YOUR needs?

In the same way the money alone doesn't solve any of our worlds problems and must be combined with the stewardship and ongoing relationship-building that our Empowerment Grant embraces, gut feelings must also be combined with actual facts and knowledge in order to be effective.

FAQ #44: POST CONFIRMATION:

QUESTION #1: *how many guest's are visiting the Event?*

ANSWER: It depends on how many Guests that are drawn from Each Branch of your Empowerment Tree.

So far you have told us (click [HERE](#)) that you have over 625 Guests coming from the ROOTS of the Tree which we have now planted.

How many will be coming from [Branch #2](#) that you have now approved?

ANSWER: We will only know after you have used your [Branch #2](#) document to complete this Branch.

Branch #3 will utilize your Press Release to attract additional Guests as well as worldwide publicity and awareness.

Branch #4 will utilize the flyer created from completing [Branch #2](#) to introduce your organization to larger sponsors.

Just like we have done for our previous 850 events including previous [Kenya](#) Events, we are now growing your Empowerment Tree (Click [HERE](#) to see) by **personalizing each of the empowerment documents that represent each Branch and providing them to you.**

Branch #5 is attached.

Please review your Prestigious Supporter Document (SEE ATTACHED)

You will use this to obtain New and Prestigious Supporters for your Event (see attached document below) thereby completing Branch #5 of your Empowerment Tree.

Please let us know if you would like any edits, additions or changes to your branch #5 document (see attached).

QUESTION #2: *And when are we reviving the Airline tickets confirmation?*

ANSWER: The next step is to book the Airline flight for Rick DellaRatta which I would like to do as soon as possible so I can send his itinerary to you.

Please let me know if these dates (see itinerary below) are convenient.

QUESTION #3: *What is still remaining in process to complete still needed?*

ANSWER: As detailed in this [Video](#) - Each Branch of the Empowerment Tree must now grow in order to make your organization "A more publicized, better funded, more sponsored, more supported, more befriended, and more prestigious Organization moving forward than ever before.

FAQ #45: “Dear Jazz for Peace, This looks like an absolutely amazing opportunity for my outstanding cause except for one problem: Most of my 25 closest friends, family, team members and supporters have no money. What should I do?”

ANSWER: In your case that is all the MORE reason after submitting your comment to then share your personalized fundraising letter that we will create for you (See example here: <http://jazzforpeace.org/eric.pdf>) with the 25 closest friends, family, team members and supporters who will be “paid” to attend this event as detailed in the VIP Guest of Honor Fast Facts located at the VIP Link (<https://jazzforpeace.wordpress.com/step-2/>) in your letter.

Whether you are financially rich or poor, all people need and deserve the right to have a really good time in life and if you happen to be a person lacking in financial means, what better option could possibly be available to you than the opportunity to not only attend but also profit from being a VIP Guest of Honor at a world class cultural event in order to help one of your favorite causes at the same time?

FAQ #46: Why are there many steps to obtain your Grant?

ANSWER: Because we need you to be able to put funds directly into your bank account.

First stage: YOU NEED TO BE BETTER FUNDED!

At this link - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=axHe99bKbQ0> - is an example of an organization that we were able to help obtain over 600 VIP Guests of Honor and put over \$25,000 into their Bank account.

Would you like to have \$25,000 in YOUR bank account?

Then please follow this step just as 850 others before you have done.

Second Stage: In addition to being better funded, you also need to be a more publicized, more sponsored, supported, befriended, and more prestigious organization in order to achieve your Goals for the future!

At this link - <https://jazzforpeace.wordpress.com/about/> - you can click on our Empowerment Tree, and then click on each Branch #2 through 6 to see how we also achieve each of these goals for you as well!

ADDITIONAL QUESTION: the government had seize Internets connection and is very expensive going to the French zone for Internets.

ANSWER: Please go only one time to the French Zone and download all of the information from the internet to a laptop computer or also to a CD disc. This way you can simply share the laptop or the disc and you will never need to access the internet to follow our steps necessary to get these much needed funds directly into your bank account.

FAQ #47: We have gathered the names and comments from our core VIP's and are now ready to follow your guidelines to EXPAND our Donor and/or Fan Base. What is the Timeline for the funding process to begin?

ANSWER: Thank you for your question and here is the answer with Timeline:

1. At this link (see example 1) is a list of names and comments from an actual Grant Recipient in Baltimore, USA:

<http://jazzforpeace.org/expandroots>

2. We then submitted this wonderful list of names and comments along with their Grant Application and the approval was Granted for them to Grow their Empowerment Tree as detailed in "[The Essential Components of this Grant](#)" as well as to plant the ROOTS of this Tree by collecting the funds from each of the VIP's listed using this special invite:

<http://jazzforpeace.org/baltimoreevent.pdf>

3. They then collected these funds and put the money into their Bank account enabling them to confirm their event with funds already raised for their outstanding cause!

4. With ROOTS of this Tree now planted - <https://jazzforpeace.wordpress.com/about/>

Our team now had plenty of time to grow the even MORE profitable fundraising Branches which enabled us to achieve our Goal to make their

organization a "a more publicized, better funded, more sponsored, supported, befriended, and more prestigious organization moving forward than ever before."

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"The guests in attendance reported that the show was great and would attend again if asked. It was a pleasure speaking with Eva as well and I look forward to working with her in the future.....I can begin to reconnect with Center Stage during the first quarter of this year in order to set a date for 2017 and we have even begun to spread the word in New Orleans. We are flexible and willing to put in the work to create a great event with Jazz for Peace. I look forward to working with you all again soon!"

All the best, Keisha

Keisha Odour, 2015 Jazz for Peace™ Empowerment Grant Recipient and Executive Director Bella's Blessings – Baltimore, MD

Please let us know if you are ready for our Team to do the same for you!

Looking forward to your reply,
The Grant Administration Team at Jazz for Peace™

FAQ #48: Do you have a little blurb explaining the VIP's and the VIP process?

ANSWER: Here is a little blurb explaining the VIP's and the VIP process.

Dear Grant Candidate (in this example Eric Musonza, American Institutes for Research / Yale University),

Thank you so much for watching our 3 minute video and submitting your comment thereby planting the SEED of your Empowerment Tree.

It is now time to Grow your SEED into ROOTS and to accomplish this below is your personal fundraising link!

<http://jazzforpeace.org/eric.pdf>

Please review it carefully and let us know if you would like any additions, changes or edits.

NEXT STEP: Make a list of 15 - 25 **or more** of your favorite team members (this can include all of the members of your partnering nonprofits), friends, family, and supporters. Then share your personal fundraising letter with them asking them to comment just as you have done.

Collect their comments into a list and send them to us in one email just like you see in this actual recent example ([Click HERE](#)).

With this step we can "Introduce you to our Board" and get the process started!

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,
Debra

John De Angelis - Grant Administrator / Debra R Cerritelli, Senior Event Coordinator - Jazz for Peace™ - Additional Information: As you know from this 3 minute [video](#), your comment represents the SEED of your Empowerment Tree and the 25 or so comments from your team members, friends, family and supporters represent the ROOTS! Please review this 1 minute video of how to grow your Empowerment Tree from SEED to ROOTS - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bynOP-BncOo> - and let us know if you have any questions!

****** To see Eric's VIPs click here - <http://jazzforpeace.org/apply.pdf> see many more example here - <http://jazzforpeace.org/comments.pdf>**

FAQ #49: Must I hold an event in my town to earn this grant? Are there other ways to have this grant except by holding this jazz event? Who finances the event? Me or your organization?

ANSWER:

Jazz for Peace offers this Grant because we have never met a non profit organization or outstanding cause that told us they had received enough funding from outright donations to both maintain their organizations and achieve their future goals.

However, far worse was the fact that after collecting the donations that they DID receive they then told us that they were STILL in great need to EXPAND their Donor and Support Base; thank, reward, honor and REJUVENATE the supporters they already had; obtain more Sponsors; more new and PRESTIGIOUS supporters; and more publicity and awareness.

All things that they could not buy with their donations because the donations were hardly enough to keep their organizations on life support while at the same time often making them a slave to their largest donors who in many cases would then want to be able to tell them how to run their organizations and in a surprising number of instances in such way as to be in violation of the very mission statements that the organizations were founded on in the first place.

So for this reason we decided to offer a world class cultural event at no cost to you along with the the vital staffing, experience, advocacy, and event coordinating expertise and guidance necessary (**ALSO at no cost to you!**) which not only helps deserving organizations and causes like you get the funds you are lacking, but also the opportunity to EXPAND your Donor and Support Base; thank, reward, honor and REJUVENATE the supporters you already have; grow your list of Sponsors; obtain new & PRESTIGIOUS supporters and publicity and awareness thereby making you a:

more publicized, better funded, more sponsored, more supported, more befriended, as well as a more prestigious organization than ever before!

By doing so we are offering you a "Helpful step forward" with not only funds, but also sustainability and EMPOWERMENT.

All of which are detailed on our interactive Empowerment Tree at:

<https://jazzforpeace.wordpress.com/about/>

Hence the name of this funding, **The Jazz for Peace Empowerment Grant.**

Are you an outstanding organization, cause or artistic project who wants to be more publicized, better funded, more sponsored, more supported, more befriended, and more prestigious than ever before?

If so please contact us at info@jazzforpeace.org or by phone at 646-709-2950 and work closely with our Grant Administration Department just like these 850 other did ([Click HERE](#) & scroll down to the section titled "Testimonials").

FAQ #50: The video is full of terms and catch phrases that I simply don't understand. I would appreciate an explanation of what this is all about in PLAIN english. What is it you actually do?

Thank you so much for your question which I am delighted to answer!

QUESTION: What is it you actually do????

ANSWER: A great place to start would be with the words of a fellow Jazz Artist who understands our program crystal clear:

"International Jazz Day could not happen without partners like Jazz for Peace....using concerts, community outreach and education programs to raise support and awareness for local and international charities...to promote charitable and service-based activities that help make a positive difference in the world...to unify and empower the vulnerable in our society. We are indebted to you for your steadfast support, and look forward to working with you..." ~ Herbie Hancock (See excerpt from this event - Washington DC Lincoln Memorial - <https://vimeo.com/215577496>)

And here is how he came to this crystal clear understanding based on the plain english of exactly what we do as listed here:

<https://jazzforpeace.wordpress.com/>

What is Jazz for Peace™? – Jazz for Peace™ provides Empowerment Grants, sustainable funding and advocacy for non-profits and all outstanding causes worldwide for over a decade to enable them to be more productive and successful.

NEXT STEP: Please click on the link above and scroll down to the section titled "THE ESSENTIAL COMPONENTS OF THIS GRANT!" and let

me know if you now understand our program as clearly as he and so many others do.

Now if I may I would like to ask a question to you:

Is this helpful and do you have any additional questions?

Looking forward to your reply.

Sincerely,
Debra

FAQ #51:

QUESTION/INQUIRY: please help me to understand your mission.

ANSWER: What is Jazz for Peace™? – Jazz for Peace™ provides Empowerment Grants, sustainable funding and advocacy for non-profits and all outstanding causes worldwide for over a decade to enable them to be more productive and successful. Click here for additional info about our mission - <https://jazzforpeace.org/founder.pdf>

Via our easy to understand Empowerment Tree process (<https://jazzforpeace.wordpress.com/about/>) Jazz for Peace Grants offer a real, tangible way to get much needed funds into your bank account while obtaining sponsors; publicity and awareness; new and prestigious supporters; rewarding benefactors and expanding your vital donor base!

QUESTION/INQUIRY: I see that you are traveling around and perform the Jazz for peace concerts but see no social impact in a long term and see no financial help that was delivered.

ANSWER: In the report that you referred to above above (<https://www.jazzforpeace.org/summarykenya.html>) the Grant recipient mentions that he received tangible financial help firstly when our Team assisted him to confirm his event with funds already raised for him and in his bank account....

Let me repeat that to make sure you get it - funds already raised for him and in his bank account is absolutely, unequivocally financial help that was delivered.

.....and additional long term intangible but equally and in some cases even more important and viable financial help when he received worldwide publicity and awareness from the event and afterwards via our long term partnership along with the new and prestigious supporters who have been supporting his organization ever since such as this one:

<https://jazzforpeace.org/primemo.pdf>

And yes these things are most certainly detailed on our web-site as you can see in just a few of these many additional examples below:

1. <https://jazzforpeace.org/brazil09.htm>
2. <https://jazzforpeace.org/vegas/>
3. <https://www.jazzforpeace.org/ega3.html>
4. Grant Application shows an organization being delivered \$25,000 just from the ROOTS of our Empowerment Tree as we move forward to the even MORE profitable fundraising branches - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=axHe99bKbQ0>

and on and on with testimonials from hundreds of Grant recipients located here:

“Partnering with Jazz for Peace is...an opportunity for the community to experience world-class music, while raising much needed funds.” ~
The American Red Cross

“We felt the need to invite DellaRatta and his group because their work in promoting peace through music, is well known in the world.”
~ UNICEF

"We are honored to be receiving this benefit concert grant from the foundation, and to be bringing such a highly praised, culturally acclaimed event to Sun Valley." ~ Special Olympics

FAQ#52: A couple of your FAQ's seem a bit antiquated. Do you have updated versions?

ANSWER: Due to a switch from the old html coding format to the more modern coding used today we have had to redo a few of our FAQ's as follows:

FAQ #1-A, FAQ #4, and FAQ # 21-A are all answered at this link below:

<https://jazzforpeace.org/attend.pdf>

FAQ#53: Are there ever any times when you have had to disqualify a Grant Candidate after their application was approved?

ANSWER: It has happened so rarely that on a percentage basis it would have to be LESS than 1%. However, with the hope that it never happens again, here is an organization that DID manage to get themselves disqualified along with the 3 actuals reasons for our uncomfortable decision.

Reason #1. False information submitted on your Grant Application.

In page 1 of your 2 Page Jazz for Peace™ Empowerment Grant Application you selected the following option affirming that you had "carefully reviewed and fully understood THE ESSENTIAL COMPONENTS OF THIS GRANT" as clearly displayed on our Web Site [HERE](#) and copied and pasted again below for your convenience (see below):

- I have read the above and understand

Yet only a few days ago we received this sentence below from [REDACTED]:

But...., I still have the BIG QUESTION of the "\$25' 000.00 Money Already Raised" in the Grants Introduction VIDEO of Jazz for Peace. If it is not a hookup statement, when will the 1st.\$25000.00 be credited in our account? We are really looking forward for the revelation or reality.

Based on your selection that you had "read and understood" the information you admitted to on your Empowerment Grant Application Form, **please tell us where in "THE ESSENTIAL COMPONENTS OF THIS GRANT" below and on our web site does it say or in any way imply that the \$25,000 raised by the Outstanding Organization in our [3 Minute Video](#) was in the form of a check or "credit" from the account of Jazz for Peace™?**

Looking forward to your answer.

Reason #2. Failure to properly communicate with your team.

More than a month ago our Grant Administrator John received a call from [REDACTED] in which he was asked and therefore gave detailed information about how Jazz for Peace receives a percentage of our expenses in order to (A.) provide value to our Donors and (B.) retain the autonomy necessary to be able to choose organizations like yours who our donors and the public at large have never even heard of to be Grant Recipients in addition to (instead of only) the most famous and respected non-profit names.

[REDACTED] said he understood clearly and would share this information with his team, yet more than 2 weeks AFTER your 14 member VIP Committee was supposed to be collecting the funds to confirm your event with funds already raised for you and in your Bank account we were once again asked the exact same question by [REDACTED] which we have now sent even MORE detailed info from our Frequently Asked Questions Page ([Click HERE](#)) to make sure you thoroughly understand not only the importance of Jazz for Peace to offer value to our Donors, but also for EVERY outstanding cause to

be able to do so including YOU! And yet as of today we still have not heard back from [REDACTED] or your organization to find out if they now finally understand the importance of Jazz for Peace™ to treat our [Prestigious Donors](#) with the utmost respect by showing them MAXIMUM value in return for their vital support just as we do our VIPs.

However at this point, if [REDACTED] or any of your other team members STILL do not understand the importance of rewarding donors and supporters that we try to pass on to all of our Grant recipients....

then it now brings me to concern #3.

Reason #3. A fundamental disrespect for the most important category of the entire philanthropic sector - The Donor Class.

The bottom line is, if you are unable after months of explaining, as well as reading [detailed text on this subject](#) from our frequently asked questions page CLEARLY defining the importance of providing value to Donors, then how are you possibly ever going to attract and maintain Donors for your OWN organization?

“We felt the need to invite DellaRatta and his group because their work in promoting peace through music, is well known in the world.” ~ UNICEF

In Summary: The Jazz for Peace Grant is well known throughout the United States and around the world for "separating the wheat from the chaff" in order to uncover only the **very finest and most outstanding causes** and our past Grant recipients have gone through great lengths to tell us how important it was for them to benefit from our good name and reputation. Our [world class performers](#) (artist fees ALONE from the event pictured in the adjoining hyperlink were over \$13,000 and were just one of a great many expenses that this and every event encounters) are well aware of this and thereby participate with great pride knowing that they are performing for one of the world's truly great causes. However, until I have an explanation for these concerns above, I simply cannot in good conscience convince our

Board, our Performers, our Volunteers, our Staff, and last but not least our extraordinarily valuable Supporters that you are truly one of them.

FAQ#54: How have you refined your Empowerment Grant program over the years to make it as simple as possible?

ANSWER: Jazz for Peace™ has and continues to welcome the ideas, opinions and critiques of our Grant recipients and by making constant improvements whenever we saw the opportunity for over 17 years we believe this program is now as simple and easy to understand as a pre-school brochure.

So much so that we invite you to do the comparison.

Jazz for Peace™ Easy Steps:



A. Watch 3 minute video and click HERE to submit your comment.



B. With your comment now added to this document, share this same information with your immediate outreach (15 - 25 of your closest friends, family, team members and supporters) asking them to also review the info and give THEIR comment.



C. You can now review these comments and ask those who are most enthusiastic to join your VIP Invite Committee thereby EXPANDING your Donor, Support, or Fan base with each Committee member also following letter B above as detailed HERE. This expanded VIP List enables us to confirm your event with funds already raised for you and.....
with the ROOTS now planted we can move on to the even more profitable Branches as we Grow your Empowerment Tree!



Pre-Kindergarten Program Easy Steps:

Click on link below for the 3 page Elias Howe School Pre-K Brochure:

<https://jazzforpeace.org/prekcomparison.pdf>

FAQ#55: we're in the process of putting together an event committee to really get the momentum and VIP's rounded up seeing how challenging this has been to move things along for us.

ANSWER: Consider the VIP Committee the same as going from an old fashioned modem to hi speed cable internet access.

When hi speed internet came out, the office i happened to be working for at that time was doing just fine with the old fashioned modem speed, while other associates who needed to download certain files and documents were struggling.

However BOTH offices (mine that was "going fast enough as it is" and the others that were having difficulties) were MUCH happier with their internet related results when they graduated to hi speed.

This is the same with the VIP Committee where even the most organized and interconnected organizations that we worked with STILL felt that forming the committee and having a "lot of people doing a little bit" made this step so much easier.

And just like many of the additional knowledge and techniques that we will be sharing with you along the way, they STILL use this VIP Invite Committee technique whenever the opportunity arises even to this day!

FAQ#56: Our Invite Committee has only been able to obtain a few comments....some of them NONE at all.

ANSWER: With such an incredibly important mission such as yours, I can only say "Thank GOD we are finding this out now". For your organization or ANY outstanding cause to get from where you are now to where you need to be, board members need to SERVE on boards, not just SIT on them.

The fact that you have a person sitting on your Board who can't get their best friend, spouse, family member or anyone else for that matter to sit for 2 seconds and review an opportunity for you of any kind (let alone an event of this [recognized significance](#)) reveals that:

- A. They need to up their game. And
- B. You need to strengthen your Board.

Would any of these board members like to speak with us?

FAQ#57: A friend of ours markets for nonprofits and she offered to create the event committee. This is after we asked her to be on the Invite Committee and she explained why people aren't responding at a sufficient rate. It would be MUCH easier to get our friends, family, Invite Committee friends, family to move forward if we were collecting the money NOW with a concert date ALREADY set. These are issues we've been running into AGAIN and AGAIN which is why a pro offered her services to us.

ANSWER: This sounds very promising and YES, we offer this option in our WINNING ROOTS PLANTING TECHNIQUES located at <https://jazzforpeace.org/roots.pdf> in the form of a VIP Ticket Sponsor! This is a technique that has been used by many of the worlds top Non Profits when partnering with Jazz for Peace such as The Red Cross, Special Olympics, and UNICEF just to name a few.

It works like this: A VIP Ticket sponsor or a GROUP of sponsors will pre purchase a few hundred or so tickets enabling you to confirm your event with funds already raised for you. You can now simply start collecting the funds and as you do so you can pay these sponsors back if they wish to be reimbursed.

Its THAT simple!

Would she ALSO like to speak with us?

If so, we'd LOVE to assist her!

Please let us know.