California Black Freedom Fund Round VII RFP FAQ

1. **Why does CBFF have a focus on Black power building?**
   CBFF’s theory of change is that increasing the capacity and effectiveness of Black-led organizations will enhance the freedom and self-determination of Black people most impacted by structural racism in order to drive our state as a whole toward healing and transformative change.

2. **In the Selection Criteria, what do we mean by “core mission with the goal of combating anti-Black systemic racism”?**
   We want to see that combating anti-Black system racism is reflected in the organization’s work in activities to eliminate anti-Black racism within systems, structures, and policies.

3. **If our organization is not awarded a grant, how can we still stay connected with CBFF?**
   In CBFF’s goal to build a statewide ecosystem of Black power building organizations, we are building out a list of the Black-led organizations we are linked to. Organizations will be added to this list to receive email updates on external funding, grants, and/or resource opportunities that are sent to CBFF.

4. **When will the next CBFF round of grants be distributed?**
   CBFF plans to have future grant rounds take place, as funds are available. As a fundraising and grantmaking entity, all of the funding CBFF grants out has to be raised. The CBFF team and our network of funder partners will continue to fundraise to make CBFF’s grantmaking as robust as possible.