ISHI Upstream Fund INFORMATION SESSION II: Online Portal & Budget Form

January 16, 2020 Q&A

GENERAL

1. If some grants are \$75,000 and it is a max of 4 awards at a max of \$150,000 per award, how will you spend the whole \$600,000?

We are looking to fund a range of applications across Planning and Implementation grants. Funders are interested in getting out the \$600,000 in year one (i.e. potentially funding four implementation efforts at \$150,000/grant), but also want to create space for awardees to apply for additional funding in the future to support sustainability of the fund.

- 2. **Is the max amount \$150,000/year, or over the 3 years?** This opportunity is for up to \$150,000 over one year.
- 3. Can Implementation funding for policy change applications with three partners request the maximum amount?

If you have at least three partners in your collaboration, you may request the maximum amount of resources available—up to \$75,000 for Planning or up to \$150,000 for Implementation. While the RFP stipulates that collaborations with 6+ partners can request the maximum, there is no distinction for partners with the minimum of three partners.

4. Under Implementation funding can the focus on community organizing to build a stronger base or do we need to identify the specific policy issue you're addressing? Yes, you need to identify the specific policy issue or systems change being addressed. For Planning efforts, this does not mean you have identified a clear path to a specific policy change or know all the steps needed to achieve the policy change, but you should be able to articulate broadly what type of systems change within the four topic areas (i.e. anti-displacement, tenant protections, community control of land, and asset building).