

# SECURITY & RIGHTS COLLABORATIVE

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## 2017 Grants (as of December 4<sup>th</sup>, 2017)

Total: \$1,583,800

### Field/Capacity Building Grants (\$845,000)

<b>Arab American Association of New York (AAANY)</b> New York, NY \$30,000	<i>To support AAANY's efforts to increase transparency around the New York Police Department's surveillance and equipment procurement programs; to expand Know Your Rights and community education activities given changing local and federal policy climates; and to continue to play a bridge-building role between Arab, Muslim, and communities of color on the criminalization of these communities locally and nationally.</i>
<b>Arab American Institute Foundation (AAIF)</b> National \$50,000	<i>To support AAIF to counter anti-Arab and anti-Muslim bigotry by educating individuals and officials about discriminatory and biased policies. AAIF's program includes Congressional briefings and meetings; the #ReportHate Project in several locales; and the publication of key resources on the intersection of civil liberties and national security.</i>
<b>Asian Americans Advancing Justice-Asian Law Caucus (AAJC-ALC)</b> San Francisco Bay Area, CA \$65,000	<i>To support AAJC-ALC's operations, including the work of their National Security and Civil Rights Program, which integrates direct services, policy advocacy, impact litigation, and community outreach and education to increase civil rights protections in a national security, racial justice, and immigrant rights context.</i>
<b>Desis Rising Up &amp; Moving (DRUM)</b> New York, NY \$60,000	<i>To support DRUM's operations, including educating, training, and mobilizing a base of directly impacted communities—mainly low-income South Asian immigrants—around issues of law enforcement surveillance and immigration policies locally and nationally.</i>
<b>Equality Labs</b> National \$120,000	<i>To launch a technology awareness training initiative within Muslim, Arab, and South Asian communities over the next year.</i>

<p><b>Equality Labs</b> Washington, D.C. \$30,000</p>	<p><i>To provide project support for the Equality Labs project, D.C. Justice for Muslims Coalition (DCJMC) and its related core areas of programming: expansion of DCJMC, hosting the Muslim Women’s Resistance Network, and launching the Muslim Women’s Organizing Institute. DCJMC would join Equality Labs as a new project, after having been incubated at the Washington Peace Center since 2015.</i></p>
<p><b>Georgia Muslim Voter Project (GAMVP)</b> Georgia \$30,000</p>	<p><i>To provide operational support for GAMVP to continue and expand programming on non-partisan voter engagement, advocacy, grassroots organizing and their Masjid Organizer Program.</i></p>
<p><b>Greater Birmingham Ministries (GBM)</b> Alabama \$30,000</p>	<p><i>To provide project support to GBM’s #StandAsOne campaign, which will be comprised of several coordinated grassroots organizers in the State of Alabama strategically placed at select campaign organizations with the goal of raising awareness on issues impacting intersectional marginalized communities and protecting their rights. The organizing efforts of #StandAsOne will include building a base of social justice advocates within the Muslim community in Alabama, and supporting their integration into the broader campaign.</i></p>
<p><b>Institute for Social Policy and Understanding (ISPU)</b> National \$50,000</p>	<p><i>To support ISPU’s efforts at increasing the policy and public impact of ISPU’s current research projects. Support from the SRC will help ISPU leverage innovative information dissemination techniques including social media information campaigns, photo narratives, exhibitions, infographics, and other targeted outreach to key stakeholders and policymakers and to the general public, with the goal of increasing awareness about key issues of concern for American Muslims.</i></p>
<p><b>Islamic Society of Boston Cultural Center (ISBCC)</b> Boston, MA \$30,000</p>	<p><i>To support ISBCC to coordinate its community outreach and expand its civic engagement work in order to respond to the threats posed by federal policy to the civil rights of the community served by the Center. This civic engagement work will serve to proactively build alliances with other impacted and faith communities.</i></p>
<p><b>Muslim Anti-Racism Collaborative (MuslimARC)</b> National \$30,000</p>	<p><i>To provide support for the staff time, operations, and programming of MuslimARC. This year, this will include developing its strategic plan, and formalizing its training programs aimed at increasing awareness and knowledge of anti-black racism in both the American Muslim community and in wider allied communities.</i></p>

<p><b>Muslim Students Association-West (MSA-West)</b> West Coast \$30,000</p>	<p><i>To enable MSA-West to expand staffing, operations, and programming as they support college-aged Muslim leaders on roughly 27 campuses in the Western United States.</i></p>
<p><b>Partnership for the Advancement of New Americans (PANA)</b> San Diego, CA \$30,000</p>	<p><i>To support PANA's operations, including developing a new position, Muslim Advocate, to provide support and coordination with pro bono legal organizations, as well as to continue Know Your Rights events in the San Diego area.</i></p>
<p><b>Project South</b> Atlanta, GA \$40,000</p>	<p><i>To support Project South's work to protect and defend the rights of Muslim, Arab, and South Asian and other marginalized communities, and to play a regional role in the nationwide coordinated effort relating to executive orders (Muslim Bans) impacting individuals from Muslim-majority countries and refugees.</i></p>
<p><b>Sikh Coalition</b> National \$60,000</p>	<p><i>To support the Sikh Coalition to expand its media and communications capacity to support proactive issue campaigns at the grassroots level.</i></p>
<p><b>South Asian Americans Leading Together (SAALT)</b> National \$60,000</p>	<p><i>To support SAALT's operations, including its work to build the capacity of South Asian grassroots organizations throughout the US and advocate for equitable policies at the national and local levels.</i></p>
<p><b>Tennessee Immigrant and Refugee Rights Coalition (TIRRC)</b> Tennessee \$40,000</p>	<p><i>To support TIRRC's leadership development and civic engagement work with MASA communities. This will include public education on immigrant and refugee policies at the local, state, and federal level and building MASA immigrant civic engagement through naturalization, voter engagement, and policy advocacy.</i></p>
<p><b>Unite Oregon (formerly Center for Intercultural Organizing)</b> Oregon \$20,000</p>	<p><i>To support Unite Oregon's Hayaan Project, an immigrant and refugee-led program to build community leadership by training and supporting new grassroots leaders, including MASA individuals, providing direct legal assistance, mobilizing allies, and addressing public policy challenges.</i></p>

**University of Southern  
California Center for  
Religion and Civic Culture  
(American Muslim Civic  
Leadership Institute  
(AMCLI))**  
*National*  
\$40,000

*To support AMCLI's programming in the South. In 2017-2018, it will hold regional programs aimed at building the leadership capacity, connections, and resilience of American Muslim leaders in this under-resourced region.*

## Communications Grants (\$397,000)

**ReThink Media**  
*National*  
\$322,000

*To support ReThink Media's Security & Rights Communications Hub, a centralized set of communications tools, resources and services provided to over 100 organizations with the goals of mounting collaborative issue campaigns, providing rapid response/crisis communications support, and increasing communications capacity within individual organizations as well as for the broader MASA field.*

**ReThink Media**  
*National*  
\$75,000

*To support the Security & Rights Communications Hub to provide spokesperson training to key local and national Muslim and allied leaders.*

## Security & Rights Action Fund Grants (\$130,000)

**Emgage Action (formerly  
Emerge)**  
*National*  
\$30,000

*To provide support to expand their advocacy capacity to meet the current demands of the field. Emgage will expand staffing to build upon existing relationships with Members of Congress and committee staff, tracking critical pieces of legislation, and developing advocacy plans and actions on issues of importance to the American Muslim community.*

**ReThink Media Advocacy**  
*National*  
\$100,000

*To support ReThink Media Advocacy's provision of a centralized set of tools, resources and services to over 100 organizations with the goal of providing communications support to individual and collaborative legislative advocacy efforts.*

## Advocate Travel & Convening Fund (\$45,150)

<b>Arab Community Center for Economic and Social Services (ACCESS)</b> <i>National</i> <i>August 2017</i> \$10,000	<i>To support ACCESS's fall 2017 convening, MOVE 2017: An Arab American Summit to Advance Social Change, which will bring together Arab Americans from the realms of philanthropy, policy/advocacy, and the arts.</i>
<b>Desis Rising Up &amp; Moving (DRUM)</b> <i>New York, NY</i> <i>June 2017</i> \$2,685	<i>For members of DRUM and allied organizations working to implement "Hate Free Zones" to attend the Mijente conference on expanding sanctuary cities.</i>
<b>Institute for Social Policy and Understanding (ISPU)</b> <i>National</i> <i>July 2017</i> \$10,000	<i>To support ISPU's research for and post-meeting analysis of the 2017 National Interfaith Bullying Summit, which will bring together key representatives of diverse communities to discuss and tackle bullying, particularly of MASA communities.</i>
<b>Muslim Advocates</b> <i>National</i> <i>July 2017</i> \$7,000	<i>To support Muslim Advocates to carry out three regional "Not on Our Watch" convenings and one D.C. based event focused on regional and local coalition building, community and organizational education, and concrete policy change on issues central to MASA communities.</i>
<b>Muslim Anti-Racism Collaborative (MuslimARC)</b> <i>National</i> <i>October 2017</i> \$833	<i>To support MuslimARC's attendance at the April 2017 Youth Organizing Summit, adding representation from the MASA community at a national event focused on youth and minority youth organizing and advocacy.</i>
<b>Shoulder to Shoulder</b> <i>National</i> <i>July 2017</i> \$7,000	<i>Convening funding will enable the Shoulder to Shoulder Campaign to host a 2.5-day training in Seattle, WA, in January of 2018 to more fully educate and equip faith leaders engaged locally and regionally in addressing anti-Muslim bigotry.</i>
<b>William J. Brennan Jr. Center for Justice, Inc.</b> <i>New York, NY</i> <i>November 2017</i> \$7,632	<i>To support the William J. Brennan Jr. Center for Justice, Inc. ("Brennan Center") to hold a 3-day convening in December 2017 which will bring together activists from across the country who are focused on Countering Violent Extremism (CVE) programs. The convening will focus on centering the voices of youth and other persons affected by and advocating against CVE programs and build upon a 2015 convening fund-supported meeting of a similar nature.</i>

## Rapid Response Grants (\$85,250)

<p><b>American Muslim Advisory Council (AMAC)</b> Nashville, TN August 2017 \$7,000</p>	<p><i>Given the recent uptick in Immigrations and Customs Enforcement targeting and detaining Kurdish community members in Tennessee, SRC support will allow AMAC to implement plans to continue to provide a hotline, media outreach, and Know Your Rights seminars for the community.</i></p>
<p><b>Arab American Civic Council</b> Anaheim, CA August 2017 \$6,000</p>	<p><i>To support the Arab American Civic Council's "Welcome Refugees" campaign that includes community-building events, advocacy and civic engagement trainings, and opportunities for community members to engage with local elected officials to foster dialogue about refugees. The grant will also assist in launching a grassroots and digital advocacy campaign to shift negative perceptions, attitudes, and behaviors towards refugees and immigrants.</i></p>
<p><b>Arab Community Center for Economic and Social Services (ACCESS)</b> Dearborn, MI February 2017 \$6,000</p>	<p><i>To support ACCESS's National Network for Arab American Communities to host 10 community teach-ins to provide Arab Americans with the information necessary to understand how recent executive orders concerning immigrants and refugees will impact them and their families, provide with them information on their rights, and connect them with legal resources if necessary.</i></p>
<p><b>Asian Americans Advancing Justice-Los Angeles (AAJ-LA)</b> Los Angeles, CA July 2017 \$6,000</p>	<p><i>To support AAJ-LA's Community Legal Advocate to meet the growing need to expand education, coalition building, and advocacy campaigns to combat regressive policies impacting Arab, Middle East, Muslim, and South Asian communities in Southern California.</i></p>
<p><b>Bus Federation Civic Fund National</b> April 2017 \$10,000</p>	<p><i>To support the April 2017 Youth Organizing Summit, the goal of which is to bring together youth activists and organizers from across the U.S. to convene and unite for social change, with a particular emphasis on protecting vulnerable communities.</i></p>
<p><b>Chhaya Community Development Corporation (Chhaya)</b> Jackson Heights, NY August 2017 \$7,000</p>	<p><i>To support Chhaya to plan, promote, coordinate, and host a town hall entitled, "One Year of Trump - What Now?" The town hall will focus on creating a safe space for individuals from various religious and ethnic backgrounds, namely MASA communities, to share experiences, concerns, hopes and fear, as well as for Chhaya to share information on how to obtain necessary resources.</i></p>

<p><b>City University of New York School of Law Foundation</b> New York, NY April 2017 \$7,000</p>	<p><i>To support the City University of New York School of Law Foundation's Creating Law Enforcement Accountability and Responsibility Project's operations, including the "100 Days of Rights" campaign, designed to meet increased requests for rights awareness workshops and multilingual materials for the time period January 1, 2017 – July 1, 2017.</i></p>
<p><b>Council on American-Islamic Relations-Greater Los Angeles Area (CAIR-LA)</b> Los Angeles, CA March 2017 \$5,000</p>	<p><i>To support CAIR-LA in partnership with 75+ mosques in the region to convene an emergency training for Southern California Muslim leadership, with sessions that include: media engagement; immigration and civil rights; "Know Your Rights"; civic engagement and social justice; and youth training.</i></p>
<p><b>Council on American-Islamic relations-San Francisco Bay Area (CAIR-SFBA)</b> San Francisco Bay Area, CA July 2017 \$7,750</p>	<p><i>To support CAIR-SFBA's bystander trainings following recent reports of hate crimes and inquiries from allied communities on how to be responsive. CAIR-SFBA anticipates conducting bystander trainings in various locations in California and Arizona.</i></p>
<p><b>LA Voice</b> Los Angeles, CA November 2017 \$7,000</p>	<p><i>To support LA Voice's Rapid Response Network (RRN) created to respond to the targeting of immigrants and communities of color. The RRN protects immigrants and communities of color, including American Muslims, from unjust targeting and deportations through both community organizing and public education efforts on policy issues, and providing emergency assistance to those facing deportation.</i></p>
<p><b>Muslim Anti-Racism Collaborative (MuslimARC)</b> National September 2017 \$2,500</p>	<p><i>To support MuslimARC to conduct a training that will cover immediate strategies for bystander intervention and de-escalation techniques, including focusing on long-term strategies for prevention and community-based safety during their upcoming Detroit Anti-Racism Training.</i></p>
<p><b>Muslim Wellness Foundation (MWF)</b> Philadelphia, PA July 2017 \$6,000</p>	<p><i>To support the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Black Muslim Psychology Conference in Philadelphia, PA in July, which brings together activists, community organizers, mental health professionals, and community members to take on a multidisciplinary approach to issues relating to racial violence, trauma, and emotional well-being.</i></p>
<p><b>National Immigration Law Center (NILC)</b> Los Angeles, CA July 2017 \$10,000</p>	<p><i>To support NILC's convening of litigators, Muslim, Arab, and South Asian leaders, and allies involved with challenging the executive orders banning refugees and Muslims.</i></p>

**San Ysidro Health Center  
(SYHC)**

San Ysidro, CA

August 2017

\$5,000

*To support SYHC's Emergency Refugee Citizenship Project. Stepped up detainment and deportation proceedings initiated for Middle Eastern and Chaldean Legal Permanent Residents (LPRs) have placed LPRs without U.S. citizenship at risk of losing their residency status, of being deported or being locked out of the U.S. should they travel abroad.*

## Muslim Ban Organizing Grants (\$81,400)

*In the summer and fall of 2017, the SRC made a series of grants to support local and regional events and programming surrounding a coordinated national mobilization on October 18<sup>th</sup> relating to the Executive Order banning refugees and travel by individuals from mostly Muslim-majority countries. The following organizations received funding to serve as regional field anchors for coordinated efforts around responses to the ban:*

- Partnership for the Advancement of New Americans (PANA) - \$7,900
- Project South - \$6,000
- OneAmerica - \$6,000
- National Network for Arab American Communities (NNAAC) - \$7,000
- Council on American Islamic Relations-Los Angeles (CAIR-LA) - \$7,000
- National Queer Asian Pacific Islander Alliance (NQAPIA) - \$7,700
- Council on American Islamic Relations-Chicago (CAIR-Chicago) - \$7,700
- Muslim Community Network (MCN) - \$7,100

*As part of the “Muslim Ban campaign,” the SRC also made a grant to MPower Change to lead a national mobilization in Washington, D.C. on October 18<sup>th</sup>:*

- MPower Change - \$25,000