FINANCIAL PRIVACY FUND

FPF X FPF

About FPF x FPF:

The Financial Privacy Fund is a project of the [Financial Privacy Foundation](#) (FPF), an independent Cayman Islands-incorporated non-profit organization. FPF's mission is to educate and empower individuals and communities to take control of their financial privacy and security, and to promote a fair and equitable financial system that respects personal privacy.

FPF strongly holds that the groundbreaking cryptographic techniques Zcash employs to secure transaction privacy, along with its capacity to extend financial services to every demographic—especially those currently overlooked—are vital for the inclusive development of the digital finance sector. For these reasons and more, FPF is proud to support the Zcash ecosystem with the FPF x FPF grant program.

Program details:

1. Up to $50,000 USD (in shielded ZEC) to be awarded
2. $25,000 USD maximum request
3. No KYC requirement*
4. Only engineering projects that immediately benefit the Zcash ecosystem and that can be fully completed (either small discrete projects or ongoing projects that require one final component to be completed) will be considered
5. Payment upon successful completion of grant
6. No startup funding or milestone payments will be considered

Launch Date : March 18, 2024

Submission Deadline: April 22, 2024, 8:00 UTC

Eligibility:

1. Proposed grants must:
   a. Be engineering projects able to be fully-completed within the defined funding and timeframe parameters.
   b. Only requests that result in delivery of a needed product or project within the Zcash ecosystem will be considered.
   c. Be capable of being completed within six months of grant award.
   d. Be submitted in English.
2. Applicants must agree in advance to adhere to the terms and conditions outlined in the [grant agreement](#).
3. Individuals or teams are eligible to submit grant requests from anywhere in the world except for these locations*.

Submission Process:

1. [Submit grant request via this secure form](#).
2. FPF will review submissions for eligibility. Both eligible and non-eligible requestors will be notified of their status within 5 calendar days of the submission deadline.
3. The ad-hoc review committee will review and decide on grant awards within 20 calendar days of submission deadline.
4. Awarded grant details will be published on [FPF's website](#).

FAQs:

1. <u>Is there really no KYC requirement?</u> When you submit your grant request you will be required to acknowledge that you are not a citizen of Cuba, Iran, North Korea, Russia, Syria, and specific regions of Ukraine but no further identifying information is required at any time during the grant submission, review, and award processes.

2. <u>Can I remain anonymous?</u> Yes, you can use a pseudonym and remain anonymous and FPF does not need your identifying information. Note that you will need to share enough professional information to ensure the review committee is confident in your ability to successfully complete your grant, if awarded.

3. <u>Can I propose milestones or are all FPF grants paid upon completion?</u> All FPF grants are paid upon completion, no milestones are permitted.

4. <u>Can I request an initial payment or are all FPF grants paid upon completion?</u> All FPF grants are paid upon completion, no initial payments are permitted.

5. <u>What happens if I don't successfully complete my awarded grant?</u> If you are unable to successfully complete your grant outcomes as stated in your proposal, within the timeframe specified, then unfortunately FPF will be unable to pay out the award. Delays due to unforeseen external circumstances will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis.

6. <u>Will my grant application appear publicly on the FPF website? If so, which information will be made available or withheld?</u> Proposals that receive funding will be posted on the FPF website with contact information redacted but all other information shared. By sharing the winning proposals we're giving the Zcash community the opportunity to hold both FPF and the grantee accountable. Proposals that are not funded will only be referenced in a spreadsheet with project name, a brief project summary, and the requested funding amount visible. There is no requirement for requestors or grantees to post updates on the Zcash Community Forum although they are welcome to do so.

7. <u>Can my grant be paid in USD or other currency?</u> All grant payouts are paid in shielded ZEC without exception.

8. <u>Can one individual or team submit multiple applications?</u> Yes, as long as the requests meet the program's eligibility requirements.

9. <u>Who can I contact with questions?</u> Please email info@financialprivacyfoundation.org with any questions.