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Economic Opportunity Funders Announces New Law and Social Policy Legacy Award, Seeks Nominees

$10,000 award to recognize an organization that has contributed significantly to improving low-wage workers’ lives in the U.S. through law and social policy

WASHINGTON, D.C. – Economic Opportunity Funders (EOF) announced today the launch of the Law and Social Policy Legacy Award, which recognizes an organization defending and advocating for low-wage workers’ rights.

EOF seeks nominees whose work is significant in improving low-wage workers’ lives and advancing best practice in the field. The ideal nominee’s work should be collaborative, engaged in concert with partners and impacted communities, and centered on efforts that will have a lasting impact, advancing structural and systemic change.

“We are delighted to commemorate Public Welfare Foundation’s legacy of support and to honor the vital public policy and systems reform work happening in the field,” said Cema Siegel, co-director of EOF. “Now more than ever, it is crucial that we build an economy that works for everyone.”

The $10,000 award is open to any organization working in the field of law and social policy to advance low-wage workers’ rights in the United States. Nominated organizations may be of any size or budget and work may have just started or occurred over years. Individuals are not eligible.

Anyone can make a nomination, and self-nominations are allowed. Nominators may make one nomination per year. Two references are required along with the online application.

The awardee will be honored and recognized at the EOF Annual Budget and Tax Briefing in March 2021. The executive director of the selected organization will be invited to deliver a keynote address on their work.

This award will be given by EOF with support from Public Welfare Foundation annually until 2030 as a part of their legacy investment into the Workers’ Rights field.

More information can be found at: https://eofnetwork.org/law-and-social-policy-legacy-award/

Nominations must be received by 11:59pm ET on October 30, 2020.

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Established in 1992, Economic Opportunity Funders (formerly known as GIST), is a network of national, regional and local level funders working to advance economic equity and opportunity in the United States. We believe in building an economy that works for all, regardless of race, ethnicity, immigration status, education, income, religion, gender identity, disability or age. We support a strong public sector and policies that create a healthy, fair and just economy where opportunity and prosperity are broadly shared.

EOF focuses its work in three key and intersecting areas: poverty and opportunity, protecting and supporting workers, and tax and budget policies. We provide a platform for funders to share information, exchange ideas and best practice, and collaborate around identified areas of interest.