The Arcus Foundation’s Social Justice Program envisions a world in which all LGBTQ people live with dignity, safety, and opportunity in inclusive communities and societies.

The foundation realizes this vision by supporting initiatives that increase safety for LGBTQ people, strengthen LGBTQ-affirming protections, and improve inclusion and acceptance of LGBTQ people.

We give priority to LGBTQ populations who have been pushed to the margins based on their racial, gender, or economic status in specific places in the Americas and Africa, where research suggests potential for our work to contribute to concrete changes over a 10-year period.

We deploy finite grantmaking and non-grantmaking resources in ways that build the long-term resilience and power of our partners, so they can remain resolute in advancing justice, often in the face of ongoing violence, inequity, and exclusion.
both faith and non-faith backgrounds;
- Training with actionable outcomes for specific changes, such as for the media to increase positive coverage of LGBTQ issues or among faith leaders to advocate for greater inclusivity.

OUR APPROACH
The program approaches its work in a manner that acknowledges and includes

- the wisdom, power, and self-determination of LGBTQ communities.

We prioritize open calls to reach qualified applicants and, where an application is strongly aligned with our strategic criteria, we aim to provide long-term grants in the form of general operating support.

To be considered for funding, an applicant must be constituted as a 501c3 nonprofit organization, or hold equivalent legal standing, and have operationalized an organization-wide Equal Employment Opportunity policy.

For more information about our grant-making and schedule for applications:

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