

Together we can leverage our collective resources to create communities of opportunity for everyone, regardless of race or means.

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Project Profile – Lake City Collective

Lake City Collective is a minority-led, grassroots non-profit organization doing advocacy-in-action work on issues that primarily affect BIPOC (Black, Indigenous and People of Color) communities.



A mural by Seattle artist Romel Belleza (Ilocano, Tlingit and Dishchii Bikoh N'Dee) on the asphalt of a "Stay Healthy" street in the Little Brook neighborhood of Lake City.

Project Profile – Lake City Collective

Funding / Project Status:

- Total funding to date through EDI = \$1.297 million (Capacity + Capital)
- Status: Site acquisition complete and currently in development phase, actively seeking funds and soon launching a capital campaign.

Purpose / Impact:

- With the support of a diverse board of directors, LCC is working to build a multicultural resilience center / hub run by the organization, founded by and for frontline communities.
- Lake City Collective works on a community stewardship model to increase local communities' ability to be self-determining.
- They seek to expand services that meet the needs of BIPOC community members and families north of the ship canal, where the majority is eligible to receive government assistance.

Intended Outcome:

- Create a permanent homebase in Seattle's Little Brook neighborhood.
- Foster a stable connection and sense of pride to the area that in turn would prevent displacement.
- Create a community envisioned gathering space for people of diverse backgrounds and all ages to connect, organize, share resources, and create systems of support.
- Build capacity and create opportunities to empower BIPOC communities to be stewards of their own environment.
- Establish partnerships that would preserve existing affordable housing sites in the neighborhood and improve living conditions.
- Build strong relationships across City departments to build infrastructure, resilience, workforce development, and economic opportunity in low-access to opportunity areas.

Project Profile - yəhaw Indigenous Creatives Collective

yahaw Indigenous Creatives Collective is a community of intertribal Indigenous artists rematriating 1.5 acres of land in South Seattle, on Coast Salish territories. yahaw is working towards a future where all Indigenous creatives can thrive side-by-side.





"The Creator has left the sky too low. We are going to have to do something about it, and how can we do that when we do not have a common language? ... We can all learn one word, that is all we need. That word is yəhaw - that means to proceed, to go forward, to do it." — Vi taq^wšəblu Hilbert (Upper Skagit) in her telling of Lifting the Sky

Project Profile - yəhaw Indigenous Creatives Collective

Funding:

- Total funding to date through EDI = \$ 2.07 million (Capacity + Capital)
- Status: Phased development that secured 1.5-acres of land in South Seattle, including a 1,200 SF home, programming has begun, next steps include site consideration of site improvement and development needs

Purpose / Context:

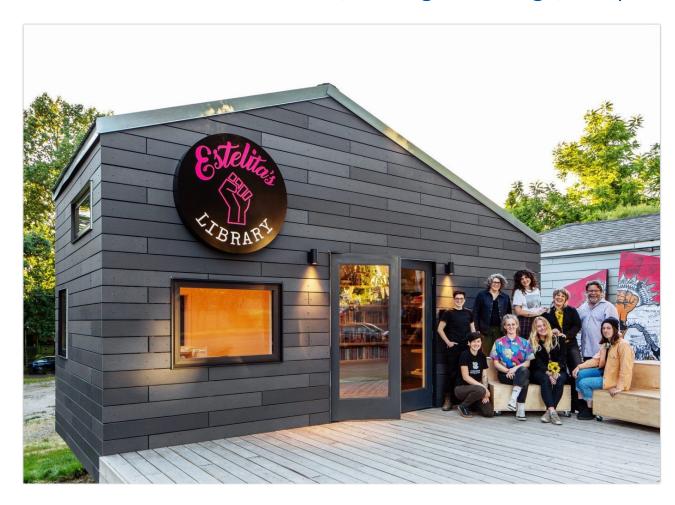
- The Land Rematriation project works to provide community-led arts and food programming for Indigenous and broader BIPOC populations that improves well-being through art-making, community building, and equitable creative opportunities for personal and professional growth
- Founded in 2017 to fill a crucial gap in our city's cultural landscape.
- As of 2021, yəhaw entered a new phase as their own 501(c)3
 nonprofit

Intended Outcome:

- Acquire land within Seattle as part of the Land Rematriation project.
- Give those with broken relationships to the earth chances to experience food and water sovereignty through sustainable, repetitive contact.
- Create radically inclusive, trust-based arts opportunities for creatives at every stage of their careers, always paying a fair wage.
- Provide services, opportunities, and programming that foster relationship-building and mentorship opportunities to support continued creative development.
 - Such as exhibitions, installations, performances, residencies, markets, publications, grants, and other community-led projects
- Center the voices of women, Two Spirit, and young people.

Project Profile – Estelita's Library Freedom Cultural Center

Estelita's Library is a social justice library, bookstore, and cultural hub dedicated to fostering community connections, sharing knowledge, and promoting a love of reading.





Project Profile – Estelita's Library Freedom Cultural Center

Funding:

- Total funding through EDI = \$2.6 million (Capacity + Capital)
- Funding supports acquiring and developing property to expand.
- Status: Pre-acquisition due diligence, environmental assessment, development planning.

Purpose:

- Estelita's Freedom Cultural Center aims to uplift marginalized communities and expand services, community space, and library programming to benefit Beacon Hill and all of Seattle.
- The library and online bookstore focus on social justice, ethnic studies, and liberation movements.
- Establish a permanent home base in Beacon Hill after displacement due to development.
- Design and build the space through inclusive, community-centered process that uplifts BIPOC community voices.
- Expand land capacity for future affordable housing and preserve existing affordable housing for current tenants.

Intended Outcomes:

- Create and preserve a dynamic, multi-use space that affirms culture, community, and fosters sharing knowledge.
- Provide opportunities for historically marginalized groups already displaced to return, stay, and be a part a thriving and vibrant community.
- Offer low- and no- cost space to community orgs, families, groups, and others to foster inclusion, connection, and belonging.
- Host accessible community events and programming where people can come together, raise their voices, and inspire each other.
- Partner with social good and community entities such as Sawhorse Revolution (youth-centered design and building), La Union Studio (cultural space design and construction), and Beacon Business Alliance to complete the project.
- Expand land capacity for future affordable housing and preserve existing affordable housing for current tenants.
- Address environmental contamination and improve community health and safety neighborhood conditions.
- Build on local cultural assets, ensure equitable access to all neighborhoods, and advance economic mobility and opportunity.

