



Spotlight on Human Rights - June 2018

Fund for Global Human Rights <https://globalhumanrights.org>

The Fund for Global Human Rights <https://globalhumanrights.org> has awarded over \$85 million in grants to more than 650 groups around the world since its founding 2003. It has offices in Washington, DC and London. The Fund maintains a focus on 7 major issue areas: Women's, Children's and Migrants' Rights, Justice/Rule of Law, Resource Rights/Corporate Accountability, support of Human Rights Activists as well as LBGTI/Sexual Identity/Gender Orientation Rights. Its website presents examples of "victories" achieved by groups that have received grants from the Fund <https://globalhumanrights.org/impact/victories/>. It outlines successes of these groups on a small scale such as a grantee in India who was able to rescue 3 children forced into bonded labor on a sheep farm and on a larger scale, e.g., support of a Honduran group's successful effort to stop international investment in a hydroelectric dam that threatened the heritage and livelihood of the Lenca indigenous community. The Fund also works directly at the UN on its initiatives. In conjunction with other groups, they successfully lobbied this past March to renew the mandate of the UN Special Rapporteur on the Situation of Human Rights Defenders, who has been sharply vocal in denouncing governments' efforts to suffocate civil society. The Fund's website provides an opportunity to receive regular updates on its activities and it can be followed on Facebook and Twitter.

