



### ***Black Opportunity Fund Volunteer Opportunity – Black Business Grant Selection Committee Members***

Black Opportunity Fund (BOF), a national organization focused on establishing a sustainable pool of capital to fund Black community initiatives, is seeking volunteer Selection Committee (“AC”) members to review and adjudicate applications for its inaugural granting program to Canadian Black led businesses. Selection Committee members will review all applications submitted in this grant cycle and make granting recommendations based on criteria and an assessment process established by BOF.

As this is a national granting program, BOF encourages applications from individuals from all regions of Canada.

#### **Successful candidates will have:**

- A clear understanding of, and agreement with, BOF’s mandate, vision and mission;
- An understanding of anti-Black racism and systemic racism and their effects on the Black led businesses in Canada;
- The ability to apply BOF criteria and make recommendations in a fair and unbiased manner; and,
- An understanding of the barriers facing Black led businesses and organizations due to systemic racism and the impacts of COVID-19

Bilingualism will be considered an asset.

Previous experience reviewing or adjudicating business loan or grant applications or experience running a Black-led business will be considered an asset.

Business Grant Selection Committee Members will be required to participate in a virtual orientation session as well as to sign a confidentiality agreement.

Successful applicants should expect to volunteer up to twenty-five (25) hours before December 31, 2021.

To apply for this opportunity please send an email to:

[info@blackopportunityfund.org](mailto:info@blackopportunityfund.org) with the subject line: **BOF Black business grants adjudication** along with your CV and/or a cover note which indicates:



- Why you are interested in volunteering for this position
- Any applicable professional or lived experience
- Language(s) spoken
- The region of Canada in which you currently reside
- Any additional skills and experiences you may have which may be valuable in this role

**Additional attributes for consideration:**

- Previous experience on and/or building adjudication panels;
- Fluency in a second language; and
- Experience working in or with the not-for profit sector

Please contact Nia Mascoll-Callender at: [nia@blackopportunityfund.org](mailto:nia@blackopportunityfund.org) if you have any questions regarding the application process or the program.

*BOF partners strategically with community organizations, businesses, philanthropic organizations and government to provide Black-led community organizations and Black-led businesses with the capital and other resources they need to build capacity and to fulfill their mandates*