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## IMMEDIATE RELEASE

### **PHUMULANI MINNESOTA AFRICAN WOMEN AGAINST VIOLENCE** Awarded Nonprofit Infrastructure Grant

**[MINNEAPOLIS ]**, Minn., December 21, 2021 – **[PHUMULANI MINNESOTA AFRICAN WOMEN AGAINST VIOLENCE]** was awarded \$45,000 by Propel Nonprofits through the [Nonprofit Infrastructure Grant Program](#) to be used for infrastructure and capacity building support.

“After two rounds of NIGP funding – 32 grants totaling \$1.5 million – we can see the state’s investment is working to build a pipeline of nonprofits serving cultural communities who can apply for state grants and contracts.” said Kate Barr, President and CEO for Propel Nonprofits.

a quote from organization about how this will further your mission Human Resources Capacity Building and Programmatic Capacity Building, including Board Onboarding and training, cultivating research opportunities for our culturally specific work.

“These investments will support small nonprofits that play an essential role in building strong and vibrant communities; these nonprofits connect ethnic minority populations, who are often isolated and marginalized, to culturally and linguistically needed services. They prepare people for the workforce. Like other nonprofits, their services provide a social safety net and drive employment, community, and economic development,” said Naima Farah, Capacity Building Program Manager for Propel Nonprofits.

These infrastructure grants will be used for everything from implementing new financial and data management systems to building staff and board capacity. As in the first two



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rounds of Nonprofit Infrastructure Grant Program (2017-2019 and 2020 -2021, respectively), there was once again strong demand from this kind of infrastructure support from nonprofits across Minnesota.

In addition to grant funding, awarded organizations will also receive ongoing technical assistance from Propel Nonprofits regarding financial administration.

The funding for this program came from a state appropriation through the Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development (DEED) and was secured in partnership with Coalition of Asian American Leaders. A full list of awardees can be found at <https://www.propelnonprofits.org/nonprofit-infrastructure-grant-program/>.

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**ABOUT PHUMULANI :** Phumulani is a culturally specific non-profit organization whose mission is ending gender-based violence , sexual violence and systemic violence through providing culturally specific solutions that move beyond crises responses to ensure sustainable long-term.

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