



## **Minnesota Second Chance Coalition Microgrants Advisory Committee (MAC) Member**

**Time Commitment:** 3-5 hours per month, including monthly review & selection meetings

**Term:** 1 year pilot period, tentatively beginning May 15, 2021

**Openings:** 9

**Deadline:** Applications must be submitted by April 30th, 2021. Interested candidates should apply here:

<https://mnsecondchance.z2systems.com/np/clients/mnsecondchance/survey.jsp?surveyId=10&>

Minnesota Second Chance Coalition (MNSCC) is seeking applicants for a pilot Microgrants Program Advisory Committee (MAC). MAC will be composed of MNSCC stakeholders, community members, and impacted persons. MAC members will be determined by an application and interview process, with final determination by Board of Directors vote. Selected MAC members will be eligible for a stipend for each monthly meeting.

**In conjunction with the MNSCC Board of Directors and Development Committee, the MAC will establish:**

- Microgrant Application requirements
- The maximum amount of money that can be awarded per Microgrant
  - Payments go directly to the the entity being paid (i.e. DVS). MAC will verify where payments should be sent prior to issuing.
- The application criteria and selection process, including review criteria
- Evaluation processes and criteria
  - Follow Up Agreement and release of information
  - 90 Day Follow Up Process
- General Microgrant Program recommendations

**Microgrants will be awarded in the following categories:**

- Driver's License Reinstatement Assistance, whether fines or fees

MAC will receive Microgrant applications on a rolling basis and gather once monthly at a predetermined time to select recipients for that given month. MAC members will be expected to review applications on their own prior to this meeting and be prepared for discussion. A representative from the MNSCC Development Committee will be present at these meetings to provide oversight and facilitation assistance until co-chairs are established; However, only MAC members will have a vote in the selection process.

MAC will work with MNSCC Finance Committee to ensure recipients are sent their award in a timely manner.

MAC will also work in conjunction with the MNSCC Communications Committee to promote Microgrant opportunities, as well as to capture stories of Microgrant recipients and what the program means to them.

**Requirements:**

- Ability to commit 3-5 hours per month
- Ability to attend monthly meetings, either virtually or in person (when safe to do so)
- State of Minnesota resident
- Those with lived experience in the (criminal) legal system are highly encouraged to apply. MNSCC aims for 60% of MAC members to have a direct connection to our mission.
- Willingness to sign confidentiality/non-disclosure agreement

**About MNSCC:**

**Mission:** The Minnesota Second Chance Coalition advocates for a dignified criminal legal system that promotes healing, repair, accountability, and belonging for individuals, families and communities.

**Vision:**

We envision systems that respond to harm in ways that lead to healing and repair for harmed parties, responsible parties, and communities.

**Values:**

To win, we will advocate, educate, train and empower our communities around criminal legal issues and their root causes.

- We promote **equity** by educating on systemic disparities and advocating for statewide policy changes.
- We promote the inherent **dignity** of all people.
- We promote building of power with, not power over to ensure **mutual accountability** for a safe and well community.
- We promote a sense of **belonging** that acknowledges each of our individual potential, value and worth.
- We promote paths to repair harm and move towards transformative healing.