

# Building Power for Health Justice

## Community Catalyst's 2023 Virtual Convening

Tuesday, October 17 – Thursday, October 19, 2023

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### Call for Workshop & Presentation Proposals

Community Catalyst would like to extend a warm invitation to current and potential partners to submit workshop and/or presentation proposals for this year's virtual convening, Building Power for Health Justice. The Convening Planning Committee, which consists of community partners and Community Catalyst staff, will review proposal submissions. Selected proposals will embody the convening theme, objectives and at least one of the focal topics provided below. Selected proposals will also align closely with the convening desired outcomes. **Please upload applications here no later than Friday, May 19, 2023 at 11:59 p.m.**

#### Convening Overview:

In order to achieve race equity and health justice, local, tribal, state, and national organizations must work together to center the ideas, wants and needs of communities most impacted by an unjust health system. This requires individuals and organizations in positions of power to shift assumptions of who is an expert when making decisions about health policy and health care delivery in the United States.

The 2023 Community Catalyst virtual convening, Building Power for Health Justice, will be a thoughtful and inclusive space where local, tribal, state and national partners actively learn from and strategize with one another about the short and long-term changes we seek. Our focus on power is a recognition of the need for us to leverage and build power

together to create a health system rooted in race equity and health justice, and a society where health is a right for all. It is also a recognition of the collective power of those most impacted by health inequity and their allies to win health justice victories in every community and at every level.

**Objectives:**

1. To create a thoughtful and inclusive space that deepens our shared understanding of, and engagement with, power building efforts to advance health justice in communities across the country.
2. To center the experiences of those most harmed by the health system today due to systemic racism and other forms of oppression, including people who face discriminatory barriers to health based on race, ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, age, disability, immigration status, income, LGBTQ+ people and people with intersectional identities.
3. To deepen shared knowledge and understanding of the underlying factors that drive inequity in the health system and community-driven solutions for change.
4. To facilitate stronger connections between grassroots organizing and policy advocacy strategies in service of health equity goals that are community-led/driven.
5. To foster connections and relationship-building between leaders across the country.

**Community Catalyst is currently seeking proposals for engaging, interactive and collaborative workshops, presentations and panel discussions in (1) of the following areas:**

1. Narrative Shift and Narrative Disruption
2. Organizing People to Build Power in the Health Justice Movement
3. Community-Driven Policy/Policy Change
4. Reimagining Inclusive, Resilient and Sustainable Coalitions.

**Convening Participants:**

The convening participants will consist of: a) local, tribal, and state community partners, b) Community Catalyst staff, c) national partners, and d) selected current foundation donors.

**Convening Desired Outcomes:**

1. Participants walk away from the convening feeling inspired and refueled to build the power of the health justice movement together.

2. Convening participants have engaged in workshops, presentations and plenary discussions where ideas, experiences and opportunities were shared on the importance of and ways to anchor race equity in the health justice movement through communications, organizing and power building, and policy advocacy work.
3. Participants have an opportunity to identify new potential collaborations with other organizations, including but not limited to potential collaborations around bridging policy advocacy and organizing.
4. Participants walk away with new insight on health policy issues, the underlying factors driving inequity in the system, and the environmental factors that influence our work.
5. Convening participants walk away with new insight on the power building and organizing strategies being deployed by a range of organizations across the country, including insight on organizing best practices, approaches to developing community-led/driven policy solutions, and organizing models and tools.

## Important Dates to Remember

- **May 19, 2023:** Proposal Submission Deadline
- **July–August 2023:** Proposal Acceptance Notifications
- **October 17–19, 2023:** Community Catalyst Annual Convening (Virtual)

For guidance on creating accessible presentations, please review the following resource websites suggested below:

- <https://webaim.org/techniques/powerpoint>
- <https://www.washington.edu/accessibility/documents/powerpoint>

# Call for Workshop & Presentation Proposals Guideline

**Title:** Provide virtual workshop, presentation and/or panel discussion title

## **Overview (Abstract):**

*Note: Each session is 80 minutes, including engaging discussions with convening participants.*

Describe your proposed session, providing clarity on how this session is relevant to the 2023 convening theme, focal topics and objectives. If this workshop is selected, titles/abstracts will be shared on the convening website. (Max Word Count: 150 words)

## **Desired Outcomes:**

*Example: By the end of this session participants will: have access to, be able to, have experienced, etc. (Max Word Count: 100 words and no more than five desired outcomes)*

## **Speaker Contact Information:**

Please provide the names, titles, organization(s), pronouns, email addresses and convening contact #s for all speakers.

*Example: Name: Mwele Ntuli Malecela, Title: Director of Health Justice, Organization: Health & Equity Inc., pronouns: she/her, email address: mmalecela@healthequity.org, Contact (123) 456-7890*

## **Moderator Contact Information:**

Please provide the name, title, organization, pronoun, email address and convening contact # for the moderator, if applicable to this session. Community Catalyst will also assign facilitators to all sessions to assist speakers with tech support, transitions, time keeping, etc.

*Example: Refer to previous section.*

## **Session Format:**

Please specify the session format: workshop, presentation, panel and/or other.

Will PowerPoint presentations be included? \_\_\_\_\_ If yes, how many? \_\_\_\_\_

Provide name(s) of speakers using PowerPoint in order of the presentation? Example: Yuri Kochiyama presentation 1; Lorena Borjas presentation 2

Number of virtual breakout rooms needed, if any: \_\_\_\_\_

Please explain any additional workshop/technology needs.

**Please Note:** 2023 convening speakers will be asked to provide resource/reference materials for participants in advance of the convening. Materials will be included in the convening website Resource Toolkit for participants.