

Info for Grantees

Thank you for protecting a river and congratulations on your Free Rivers Fund grant! We know fighting against dams is hard work, so we want to help you with our funding and make cooperating with us as easy as possible for you. There are a few things to consider, please read the following carefully and feel free to contact us if you have questions.



How does the funding work?

We will inform you about the amount of money we have set aside for your grant. Up to this amount the Free Rivers Fund will pay bills related to your project. Due to its legal structure the Free Rivers Fund **cannot give out money directly to the grantees**. Instead of transferring money to the grantees' bank accounts, we can pay bills for the funded projects. If you have expenses for your project, there are several possibilities for you to get your funding:

1. We pay the invoice

If you have expenses you want to cover with your Free Rivers Fund grant, please have the invoice issued in our name and send it to us so we can pay it directly.

Example: If you hire a film maker and the film maker issues the invoice to the Free Rivers Fund and you email it to us so that we can send the money to his/her bank account.

Ex. 2: You order anything online, put your address as delivery address and the Free Rivers Funds' address as billing address. Email the invoice to us and we pay it directly.

2. We reimburse you for a paid invoice

You buy what you need and send us a scan or photo of the receipt. If you make several purchases, please try to combine them, send us the receipts and a short list of the items you have bought.

Ex.: You buy supplies at a shop or flyers at a printing company and pay it directly, please send us the receipt and we will reimburse you.

3. Travel expenses / petrol

Please send us the receipts from the petrol stations and a list with the following:

- from where to where you were going,
- how many kilometers you were driving
- and why you were driving there

For the options 2) and 3) you / your organization need to have a bank account. If there are bank transaction fees then we have to subtract them from your grant. It's generally better to make a few larger transactions than many small ones.

What is being asked from you?

We want you to save your river - you do not have any obligation towards the Free Rivers Fund. However, we do have the obligation to keep our donors updated and we need content for social media to motivate more people to take action or to donate. So if you want to, please give us an update on your project. We will share this through our social media channels, so please make sure to send **one decent picture** and a summary of **max. 4 sentences** about what you are doing, your actions, your river, and how your project is going. That would help us a lot!

Any questions? Always feel free to email us to mail@freerivers.org