Should I be fiscally sponsored?

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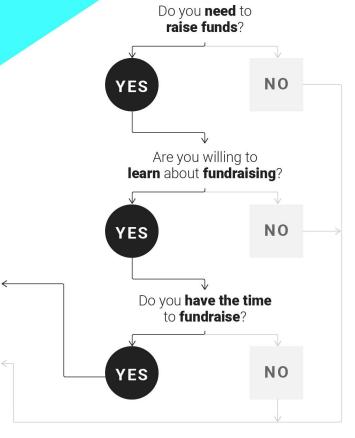
Fiscal sponsorship may be for you! Go to **fracturedatlas.org** to apply!

Fiscal sponsorship may not be for you.

But you still have options! Check out

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	YES	NO	NOT SURE
Do you need to raise funds?	Fiscal sponsorship is a great way to be able to solicit donors and apply for grants. If you're looking to raise funds, this could be for you.	If the majority of your income is earned through merchandise/ticket sales or work-for-hire, then fiscal sponsorship may not be for you. Fiscal sponsorship works best for entities looking for funds from contributed sources, like donors and foundations.	If you don't know exactly how you're going to receive funds, you could still be fiscally-sponsored. Fiscal sponsorship is a great opportunity to start building relationships with donors or use some of its other benefits, like access to nonprofit rates and crowdfunding.
Do you have time to raise funds?	If you can give it some time and intention, fiscal sponsorship is a great tool to encourage donors since it offers them a tax deduction. Building relationships and finding the right sources for your funds can take time, so build fundraising into your timeline.	It's difficult to raise money in a hurry: you have to find and connect with donors, submit grant applications that have a significant turnaround, and/or plan and execute a crowdfunding campaign. Fiscal sponsorship isn't necessarily the best option if you're in a time crunch.	If you're not sure how long you have (or how much time you need), this is a great time to reach out to potential fiscal sponsors and see if they can provide guidance. The earlier you reach out, the better prepared you can be.
Are you ready to learn about fundraising?	Fundraising is a skill set in and of itself, so there will be a pretty steep learning curve if you haven't done it before. Recognizing that you're learning something new and being patient with yourself can make using fiscal sponsorship far more fruitful than not. There are many resources and courses to help you out.	If you don't have the inclination to learn, it's important to know if you and your team have fundraising knowledge already. This could be a great opportunity to connect with professional fundraisers/consultants to see if they can support you. If you're unable to develop the skill set in your team, then fiscal sponsorship may not be the most useful for you.	Sometimes you don't know what you don't know. Fundraising skills have a variety of benefits - you'll be better able to speak about your work to a variety of audiences. If you don't know what you're ready to do, take it slow and give yourself time to adjust as things change.