

CALL FOR PROJECT PROPOSALS FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF GOOD GOVERNANCE, PEACE BUILDING & CONFLICT RESOLUTION AND LIVELIHOODS/ ECONOMIC EMPOWERMENT PROGRAMMES IN TANZANIA, 2019



Introduction

The Foundation for Civil Society (FCS) is an independent Tanzanian not-for-profit development organization that provides grants and capacity building services to Tanzania based Civil Society Organizations (CSOs). Since its inception, FCS has contributed immensely to the capacity strengthening of the civil society sector by making them able to contribute positively to influencing democratic governance in Tanzania, ensuring delivery of quality services especially at grassroots and thus contributing to better quality of life for Tanzanians. If you want to know more about FCS you can visit our Website: www.thefoundation.or.tz

This call for proposal invites Tanzanian civil society organizations (from both mainland and Zanzibar) to apply for grants to implement projects on three main broad programmatic areas which are (i) Good governance (ii) Peace Building and Conflict Resolution and (iii) Livelihoods and Economic Empowerment.

1. GOOD GOVERNANCE PROGRAMME

While designing its strategy, FCS has taken into account the fact that the Government of Tanzania is making several commendable efforts to alleviate poverty by addressing the key drivers which include corruption and inequality. Similarly, in the past three years under the Fifth Phase Government, it is observed that public budgets in key sectors including Agriculture, Water, Education and Health have tremendously increased. It is hoped that these efforts will on one hand help to improve service delivery while on the other promote economic prosperity, reduce poverty and improve community well-being. However, to realise these noble results citizens who are the centre of development effects must be well informed and be able to take charge of their own development by working with their local governments to monitor efficiency and effectiveness of public service delivery. This is to ensure that Government resources channelled to local governments to improve public service delivery are spent as intended and to the benefit of the majority poor citizens.

Outcome I:

Local Government Authorities (LGAs) deliver improved quality and equal services.

The main target of this outcome area is to ensure that there is realization of better and improved services within local government. If LGAs will be more transparent and accountable on their decision making processes and on the use of resources, effective public service delivery will be realised. FCS thus expects that at the end CSOs will be able to design innovative projects that ensure communities and their structures are mobilized, empowered and knowledgeable, become responsible citizens' and demand their rights through proper channels. Similarly, Local leaders become more responsive to needs, demands and aspirations of citizens as well as use participatory approaches in all statutory meetings that effect development at local levels. Applications under this outcome area will include mainly projects related to Social Accountability Monitoring (SAM), Public Expenditure Tracking System/ Surveys (PETS). Thus, FCS invites applications from CSOs that will implement projects which focus on:

- a) Social Accountability Monitoring (SAM) or Public Expenditure Tracking System (PETS) in the education sector focusing on **Mtwara, Lindi, Morogoro, Shinyanga, Tabora, Coast Region, Tanga, Singida, Rukwa, Kigoma, Geita, Mwanza, Katavi and Kagera regions, Unguja and Pemba.**
- b) Social Accountability Monitoring (SAM) or Public Expenditure Tracking System (PETS) in the water sector focusing on **Mtwara, Lindi, Singida, Dodoma, Simiyu, Geita, Shinyanga, Manyara, Kilimanjaro, Mara and Tanga regions.**
- c) Social Accountability Monitoring (SAM) or Public Expenditure Tracking System (PETS) in the Agriculture sector focusing on **Morogoro, Mbeya, Iringa, Ruvuma, Songwe and Njombe regions.**
- d) Social Accountability Monitoring (SAM) or Public Expenditure Tracking System (PETS) in the Health sector focusing on **Katavi, Ruvuma, Njombe, Rukwa, Singida, Mbeya, Tabora and Tanga regions.**

Outcome II:

Improved democratic processes that better reflect citizens' rights, especially those of marginalized groups (PWDs and ethnic minority and women)

The government has made several efforts to address gender related challenges, social stigma and discrimination affecting people with disability and also those of ethnic minority. It is observed that several measures including development of the promulgation of National Plan of Action to End Violence Against Women and Children (NPA-VAWC 2017/18–2021/22) have been implemented. The Government has further made deliberate efforts to address challenges facing Youth, Women and People with disability by setting aside budgets at district and municipality levels to ensure that these groups benefit and improve their social status, economy and livelihoods. Other efforts have been initiative Police Gender Desks to redress similar challenges. Despite these efforts, Female Genital Mutilation and other forms of violence against children and GBV in general still persist and take many forms, including physical, sexual, psychological, and economic violence including lack of women's access to land and other property ownership, mainly perpetrated by men. With regards to rights of people with disability, despite several efforts made by the Government including provision of policy and legal directives, social discrimination and stigma to PWDs still persist. These social exclusions hamper their involvement in socio- economic issues and limit their access to quality services.

Under this outcome FCS will fund CSOs whose project proposals among others demonstrate that at the end:-

- The named marginalized groups are empowered and have access to basic social services and confidently participating in decision making processes.
- They are taking action in demanding their rights and influencing change.
- Women believe that GBV is unacceptable and are taking actions to condemn it, harmful traditional practices abolished and discriminatory laws are amended as well as women are able to access, use and control and mostly benefit from properties and land.
- Local government and law enforcers respond timely to the needs and requirements' of women and marginalized groups.
- Disability is mainstreamed, considered and included in key development platforms and agendas.
- Adoption of special inclusion measures to cater for PWDs needs in all government levels.
- Accessibility to quality services including Education and Health to People with Disabilities.
- People with disabilities (PWDs), women, youth and ethnic minority groups are always protected, defended and enjoy their rights.

Under this area the Foundation invites applications from CSOs that will implement projects in the following key interventions and regions.

- Advocacy against harmful traditional practices such as Female Genital Mutilation, Violence Against Children (VAC) (Child marriage, Child Pregnancies, Rape) and Gender Based Violence (GBV) (Rape and other forms of violence against women). The target regions are **Mara, Mwanza, Shinyanga, Simiyu, Arusha, Manyara, Kilimanjaro, Geita, Singida, Dodoma, Unguja and Pemba, Katavi and Rukwa.**
- Advocacy for the rights of people with Disabilities to increase their participation in public accountability and local governance processes, quality services including education and Health, specific for Disabled People Organizations and Networks, projects from **all regions of Tanzania.**
- Promote access to land and other property rights especially for women. Target regions are **Arusha, Manyara, Morogoro, Unguja, Pemba and Iringa.**

2. LIVELIHOODS/ ECONOMIC EMPOWERMENT PROGRAMME

Under the Livelihoods/ Economic Empowerment programme FCS will support CSOs to implement projects which will respond to the following outcome.

Outcome I:

Ensuring that youth entrepreneurs have secured greater access to markets, livelihoods assets and resources

Youth unemployment has remained a major challenge, both at global and national level in Tanzania. Despite the high rates of economic growth in the past decade averaging at 7 per cent, the rapid advancements in economic growth have not necessarily translated into productive and decent employment significant enough in alleviating poverty among the youth. Similarly, there are still rural-urban migrations for youth in search of employment in the cities and urban centres. In addressing these challenges, will support CSOs to implement project which will have the following dimensions of objectives:-

- Enable young people to access markets for their products (Making Local Government Authorities provide market spaces for the youth);
- Empower young people to maximize and access capital from private micro firms to improve businesses;
- Empower young people to start individual or group income generating projects to improve their lives;
- Encourage local governments to empower young people and women to access the 4% of the funds allocated for the youth at district, municipal and Town Council levels;
- Encouraging local governments to create a more enabling environment for young people to expand their businesses and utilize other economic opportunities
- Advocate for youth to own economic assets and property such as land for improved livelihoods.
- Design project that will continue enhancing inclusion of youth in government structures and decision making processes.

FCS invites applications from CSOs to implement livelihoods projects in the following regions: **Arusha, Dar es Salaam, Tanga, Mbeya, Dodoma, Mwanza, Unguja and Pemba.**

3. PEACE BUILDING AND CONFLICT RESOLUTION PROGRAMME

Despite the regional challenges, as a nation Tanzania has enjoyed peace, political stability, national unity and social cohesion and has improved its environment of democracy and political and social tolerance. However, this is not to say that there are no challenges that have existed in the country. Tanzania for many years experienced sporadic range of conflicts that appear at different levels which could be categorised as domestic, cultural, religious, political socio- economic conflicts. In such conflicts some of the key drivers are Political Competition, Civil Rights and Land/ Natural Resource related conflicts. In order to enhance national unity and foster socio-economic development, FCS invites Civil Society Organizations Specialist in Peace Building and Conflict Management (from both mainland and Zanzibar – Unguja and Pemba) who have specific skills in working in the area of Peace Building and Conflict Management to apply for grants to implement projects on Peace Building and Conflict Management in their areas of locality/ national level.

Programme Objective: To contribute to harmonious and peaceful co-existence amongst communities and various people groups

Competent CSOs are encouraged to work on strengthening or improving mechanisms for peacebuilding or conflict resolution that already exist at local levels. Therefore, under this programme FCS invites applications from CSOs to implement projects at national and regional level with the following focus:-

- a. Dialogue efforts to bridge political differences (Focus area- **National level**)
- b. Interventions that enhance conflict resolution on natural resources including land (Area of focus: **Dodoma, Morogoro, Manyara and Arusha**)
- c. Interventions that promote Inter-religious dialogue (Focus area- **National level**)

4. Grant Windows under this call for proposal

This call for applications is for the Innovative Grants and Medium Grants. The details of each window are described below:-

Window 1: Innovative Grants: (Grant size ranging from TZS 20,000,000 to TZS 49,999,999 for one year only)

The innovative grants targets organizations that will implement their own creative solutions to realize outcomes as described in the above programmes. The project implementation period will be one year and an organization may request between **TZS 20,000,000 to TZS 49,999,999**. The target organizations under this window are both large and small but having peculiar ideas to help their communities based on the outcome descriptions stated above. ***Innovation is gauged in terms of how the project is designed, how innovative is the strategy developed, how innovative is the modality of implementation and how cost efficient is the project and the strategy in terms of achieving the target results.*** This window also gives an avenue for **smaller and relatively new and nascent and newly registered organizations** with outstanding ideas to solve community challenges in their localities to access grants from the Foundation for Civil Society. Thus, under this window, the Foundation invites proposals from CSOs across the country to implement innovative projects/ideas on governance and livelihood projects which respond to the outcomes as elaborated above.

Window 2: Medium Grant size ranges from TZS 50,000,000 to TZS 120,000,000 for 1 year up to 2 years maximum of TZS 240,000,000.)

FCS will provide medium grant size to CSOs to implement projects within areas described above. The project implementation period will be for one year for an amount starting from TZS 50,000,000 to TZS 120,000,000. However the applicant may apply up to a maximum of TZS 240,000,000, for two years as stated above.

For Current/ ongoing grantees (Organizations that currently have grant contract with FCS), if their projects fall under the current call thematic areas are advised to update previous submitted proposals based on the lessons learnt and change of context during the period of their implementation and re-submit full proposals for continuation of the programmes for year 2019. Please indicate clearly in the application form by checking the appropriate box i.e. current grantee. Note that all applicants will undergo the same scrutiny before approval for grants.

5. IMPORTANT NOTE TO ALL INTERESTED APPLICANTS:

- a) In issuing grants FCS will prioritize CSOs requesting grants to implement in regions and districts where they are based. This is to say, if a CSO is based in Kasulu district then they should apply for a grant to implement in that particular district or nearby districts within the region. It is very rare that CSOs will be issued with a grant to implement outside the region.
- b) Under this call for proposals an organization can ONLY apply for one type of grant window and ONLY one type of Programme. To make clarity on this matter, it is to say that if an organization is applying for the first window of Innovative Grants, the same organization CANNOT apply for the other window of Medium grants, and the vice versa is true. Further if an organization has applied for Good Governance Outcome the same cannot apply for livelihoods or peace programme. Thus organizations are advised to choose wisely the window and programme they fit best in accordance with their interests and capacity.
- c) This call for proposal is for local Civil Society Organizations registered and operating within the borders of the United Republic of Tanzania. International organizations, including International NGOs domesticated in Tanzania or interventions outside the United Republic of Tanzania will not be supported.
- d) The Foundation for Civil Society is an autonomous Civil Society Organization and operates by principles of transparency and accountability. It is our policy to conduct all of our businesses in an honest and ethical manner. We take a zero-tolerance approach to bribery and corruption and are committed to acting professionally, fairly and with integrity in all our dealings and relationships. We therefore, urge all interested applicants to follow the stipulated procedure to access grants from the Foundation and always use

appropriate communication channels. Please reach us always through our Telephone **+255 22 2664890-2**, **Mobile: +255754005708** or email: information@thefoundation-tz.org.

6. GENERAL PRINCIPLES FOR PROJECT SELECTION

The over-riding principle governing selection of any project for funding by the Foundation is that, the project planned interventions must result in demonstrable (direct or indirect) benefit to citizens of the selected regions in the country.

Other, more specific, principles which will guide project selection process include;

- a) Organisations with sound governance structures and good financial management systems
- b) The extent to which the proposed project activities are in line with FCS Strategic Plan and priorities.
- c) The extent to which the proposed project interventions are measurable and will contribute into achieving expected outcome.
- d) Social soundness (e.g. representation, degree of community involvement and project activities identification, development and implementation)
- e) The extent to which the project is addressing the problem in local context with supported data/ evidence.
- f) The Adherence to all necessary supporting documents as indicated in the application form.

Note; Checklist is provided in the New Application Form for 2019

7. WHO CAN APPLY

The following institutions are eligible to apply for grants at the Foundation for civil society:

- a. Non-governmental Organisations (NGO);
- b. Community Based organization (CBO) ;
- c. Professional Associations;
- d. Trade Unions;
- e. Media Organisation;¹
- f. Faith Based Organization (FBO);²
- g. Cooperative.³

8. WHAT WE WILL NOT FUND

The Foundation can only make grants to local organizations that are established for not-for private- profit purposes. Even if the activity for which you have applied is charitable, you will not be eligible for a grant unless your constitution clearly states the charitable nature for which your organization has been set up. If you think your organization may be affected by this condition, please get advice from Foundation before you make an application.

The Foundation will NOT make grants available for/to:

- 1 The Foundation can make grants available to media organisations only if the projects they are applying for do not contribute to their profits, overheads, or reducing debts and are designed to serve the public good
- 2 Churches and mosques are not part of Non-Governmental Organizations. However, FCS can support Faith Based Institutions only if their activities do not focus on propagating their faith/ evangelicalization.
- 3 The Foundation can make grants available to cooperative organization only if the projects they are applying for do not contribute to their profits, overheads, or reducing debts and are designed to serve the public good.

- Endowments & scholarships.
- Projects or activities outside Tanzania.
- Projects or activities which have already been finished
- Projects that provide grants to other organizations.
- An honorarium for organization's paid staff.
- Income-generation / Microfinance activities.
- Applications from professional fundraisers or consultants acting on behalf of organizations.
- Individuals.
- Political parties.
- Projects that promote a particular religion, ethnic group/tribe or race.
- Private sector businesses (unless they are not for-private-profit).
- Organizations that are in significant debt.
- Stand-alone Workshops, Conferences,
- Seminars, unless they are part of a wider set of activities, and are linked to clear results
- Unanticipated costs (contingencies).
- Provision of social services.
- Applications for Strategic Grants to implement projects on HIV and AIDS.

9. APPLICATION DEADLINE

All carefully thought and well written proposals should be submitted and reach the Executive Director **by 16.00 HRS on 15th January, 2019**. Applications submitted after the application deadline will not be considered for funding by the Foundation.

10. HOW TO APPLY

In this call there are only 2 ways of submitting the application either by hand delivery or through registered mails, with all of its attachments. FCS will not accept any applications by emails or through online system. The application package will be available for download on FCS website link, <http://www.thefoundation.or.tz>. Note that kindly use appropriate application forms to be downloaded from appropriate FCS website and not otherwise.

Completed Project Proposals submitted should be directed to:-

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