Funding Opportunities for Civil Society Organizations in Moldova

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This compilation is part of the Refugee Coordination Forum’s effort to support local organizations in Moldova to access funding opportunities in line with localization efforts. We have collected information from various sources online and compiled it here for the convenience of local CSOs. However, it is important to note that the RCF is not responsible for these opportunities, nor does it take part in any decision related to them, nor can it recommend organizations for them. If you have any other funding opportunities to contribute or want to share feedback, please write to us (mdachrcf@unhcr.org).

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<td>Emergency Support Fund – Grants Competition for Initiatives in CEECA by ECOM</td>
<td>15-Jun-23</td>
<td>Small grants up to €7,000 for 1.5 - 3 months; Medium grants up to €20,000 for 3 - 6 months</td>
<td>Reduce the impact of the Russian war against Ukraine on the access of key populations (KP) to HIV services and humanitarian assistance in Central and Eastern Europe and Central Asia (CEECA). Key focus areas include self-organization of KP communities in migration, providing services for KPs in migration, removing political barriers to the &quot;legalization&quot; of HIV-affected migrants, and countering laws that contribute to harassment and discrimination against HIV-affected individuals and KPs.</td>
<td>Community-based non-governmental organizations and initiative groups from various CEECA countries. Prioritized are community-led NGOs and initiative groups.</td>
<td>People living with HIV (PLHIV) and people affected by tuberculosis, trans people, LGBT people, sex workers, people who use drugs (PWUD), women living with HIV, people with disabilities.</td>
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<td>GYCAF Microgrants 2023</td>
<td>16-Jun-23</td>
<td>Between USD 500 – USD 1,000</td>
<td>Support youth-led climate action in vulnerable communities with a focus on sustainable agriculture, clean energy, ocean protection, capacity building, green stewardship, and tech innovation.</td>
<td>Youth-led organizations (under 30 years old, 80% ownership) engaged in grassroots activism, showing strong motivation to create community change, and demonstrating clear environmental and socio-economic impacts of the project.</td>
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**Selection Criteria:** Alignment with GYCAF vision, relevance and functionality of the project, financial awareness and planning, motivated and committed team, clear implementation plan, and understanding of potential barriers.

**More information:** Visit [GYCAF](#).

**Funding Opportunity:** Refugee-led Innovation Fund

**Deadline for Application:** 30-Jun-23

**Value:** Up to $45,000 USD

**Objective:**
- Empower displaced people through innovative solutions
- Provide direct funding, mentorship, and expertise to refugee-led organizations
- Create lasting community impact

**Eligibility Criteria:**
Open to organizations led by displaced people
Accepts applications from grassroots or refugee-led organizations, registered or unregistered
Special consideration for underrepresented groups

**Where to find more information:** For more information, visit the [Refugee-led Innovation Fund website](#).

**Funding Opportunity:** Justice for Underserved Disabled Youth Initiative (JUDY Initiative)

**Deadline for Application:** 30-Jun-23

**Value:**
- Total Funding Floor: $400,000
- Total Funding Ceiling: $1,000,000

**Objective:**
- Promote inclusion of youth with disabilities in Organizations of Persons with Disabilities (OPDs)
- Strengthen advocacy capabilities of OPDs and civil society groups for disability law enforcement
- Increase access to resources and protections for persons with disabilities

**Eligibility Criteria:**
- U.S.-based and foreign-based non-profit organizations, NGOs, public international organizations, institutions of higher education, and for-profit organizations
- Preference for non-profit entities; for-profit entities subject to additional review
- Existing or capacity to develop partnerships with thematic or in-country partners and stakeholders
- Demonstrable experience in administering successful projects

Where to find more information: For more information, visit the DRL (Bureau of Democracy, Human Rights, and Labor) website.

Funding Opportunity: Open Door Grants Program by OGP

Deadline: 30-Jun-23

Value: Up to 25,000 EUR for 4-12 months

Objective: Strengthen civil society engagement, foster multi-stakeholder partnerships, promote open governance reforms, and expand the base of non-governmental actors in the Eastern Partnership region.

Eligibility: Registered civil society organizations and consortia from Armenia, Georgia, Moldova, and Ukraine. Preference for multi-stakeholder teams, new OGP-engaged entities, and former grantees.


Previously Announced Funding Opportunities

Funding Opportunity: Steelworkers Humanity Fund

Deadline for Application: 2-Jun-23

Value: Project funding request can range from $10,000 up to $25,000 CAD

Objective:

- Support international development projects and worker-led initiatives that enhance women's access to and success in employment occupations affected by gender bias
- Increase women's integration into industries with gendered occupational segregation
- Promote women's leadership in labor movements advocating for access and equity in non-traditional jobs
- Facilitate women's attainment of decent work in underrepresented career fields or sectors

Eligibility Criteria:

- Non-profit organizations or associations located in low and middle-income countries
- Projects must be led and implemented by eligible organizations
- Priority given to projects working with women facing precarious and vulnerable employment conditions
- Preference for women-led grassroots initiatives or community projects committed to labor organizing and social justice values
- Global education component is preferred to engage United Steelworkers Canadian union members
- Existing funded partners of the Steelworkers Humanity Fund are not eligible to apply

**Where to find more information:** For more information and to access the online application forms, visit the [Steelworkers Humanity Fund website](https://www.steelworkershumanityfund.org).

**Funding Opportunity:** Thematic Programme on Human Rights and Democracy (Republic of Moldova)

**Deadline for Application:** 5-Jun-23

**Value:**

- **LOT 1:** Support for Free Media
  - Minimum amount: EUR 550,000
  - Maximum amount: EUR 590,000
- **LOT 2:** Support for Minorities
  - Minimum amount: EUR 360,000
  - Maximum amount: EUR 410,000

**Objectives:** To contribute to the development and consolidation of the rule of law in the Republic of Moldova with full respect of human rights and fundamental freedoms.

**Eligibility Criteria:**

- Lead applicant(s) must be a legal person and a non-profit-making, non-governmental organization established in a Member State of the European Union, the Republic of Moldova, or any other eligible country.
- Co-applicants must also satisfy the eligibility criteria applicable to the lead applicant.
- Affiliated entities must have a structural link with the lead applicant.

**Where to find more information:** More information can be found on the European Commission website.

**Funding Opportunity:** The SVRI Research Grant 2024

**Deadline for Application:** July 6, 2023

**Value:** $40,000 to $150,000 for up to 18 months

**Objective:** The SVRI Research Grant program supports research projects that contribute to the prevention and response of violence against women and children in low- and middle-income
Eligibility Criteria:
- Apply feminist and women-centered research with human rights framework
- Adhere to international safety standards and ethical guidelines
- Strive for innovation, collaboration, cross-sectoral approaches, and diversity
- Challenge gender hierarchy for gender equality and comprehensive support
- Engage relevant communities where research is conducted
- Applications in English, French, and Spanish accepted.

Where to find more information: Visit the SVRI website for more information on the grant program.

Funding Opportunity: Fondation SUEZ Grants

Deadline for Application: 30-Oct-23

Grant Value: Up to €80,000 for one-time or multi-year projects

Objectives: Favor access to water, sanitation, and waste management for vulnerable populations in developing countries, as well as delivery of emergency aid (including MHPSS). The Foundation pays particular attention to projects aimed at women/young girls and refugees.

Eligibility Criteria:
- Applicants with an associative legal status, a Foundation or Endowment Fund status recognized as being of public utility
- Applicants which have been legally established for at least 2 years prior to the date of the submission of the project application
- The Foundation gives priority to applicants possessing local divisions or reporting a very close partnership with a local structure, facilitating project follow-up and an ex-post follow-up of the projects

Where to find more information: Visit Fondation SUEZ website.

Funding Opportunity: New Democracy Fund's Flexible Response Mechanism

Deadline for Application: Ongoing Opportunity

Objective: The New Democracy Fund focuses on five thematic areas: youth, media, culture, labour market, and just and green transition. These areas are enforced by a cross-cutting emphasis on gender, inclusion, and human rights. The Flexible Response Mechanism will prioritize resources to activities that support the general purposes of the New Democracy Fund, fall within its five thematic priority areas, and are supportive of the ongoing activities of partners of Danish civil society actors and institutions in the ENC.

Eligibility Criteria: Civil society actors in the Eastern Neighborhood Countries (ENC) or temporarily in
exile with a previous or existing partnership with a Danish organization Funding Information: The total yearly budget for Flexible Response Mechanism is DKK 5,000,000.

**Where to find more information:** Visit [Flexible Response Mechanism](#) for more information.

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<td><strong>Value:</strong> Requests submitted through the Catalyst Fund range from $2,500 to $15,000.</td>
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<td><strong>Eligibility Criteria:</strong> Individuals, teams, non-profits, or social enterprises operating anywhere in the world, with early-stage ideas or projects addressing global challenges. Applicants must be 18 years of age or older, submit an application in English, include completed responses to all required questions, agree to legal terms and conditions of the grant program, and be able to legally receive grant funding.</td>
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<td>● Be outside of the United States (with some exceptions)</td>
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<td>● Use an intersectional feminist analysis and focus on advancing gender justice</td>
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<td>● Embrace collective action and be governed, directed, and/or led by historically marginalized communities</td>
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