

# 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](mailto:mdachrcf@unhcr.org)).

## New Funding Opportunities

**Title of the Call:** Impact Catalyst Fund

**Deadline:** January 19th, 2024

**Funding Source/Donor:** UNICEF

**Eligibility of Entities to Apply:**

- UNICEF Country Offices (COs) can apply with joint programs involving UN agencies or NGOs.
- Open to COs with relevant programmatic priorities.

**Areas to be Covered/Thematic Focus:**

- The call is focused on Adaptive Social Protection (ASP), contributing scientifically robust evidence to empower national partners in making informed decisions, developing ASP systems, and enhancing child-focused outcomes in fragile contexts.

**For More Details:** and to apply, please visit [UNICEF](#).

**Title of the Call:** ITF's 8<sup>th</sup> Grant Cycle

**Deadline:** January 19th, 2024

**Funding Source/Donor:** The International Trans Fund (ITF)

**Eligibility of Entities to Apply:**

- Organizations must be Trans-led.
- Trans people in decision-making roles (75% staff, spokespeople, board).
- Alternatively, demonstrate trans involvement in budget and strategic decisions.
- Operating Budget: Under \$100,000 USD.



- A group of people (not an individual).
- Main work focus is to benefit the trans community.
- Contribute to movement building, not just direct services.

**Areas to be Covered/Thematic Focus:**

- Supporting trans-led groups of varying sizes on international, regional, country, and local levels.
- Educating peers in philanthropy on trans issues.
- Influencing funders and allies in trans-related commitments.

**Funding Details:**

Seed Grant (1-year)

- General support/project grant.
- For organizations not previously funded by ITF
- Grant range: \$10,000 to \$25,000 USD/year.

Thrive Grant (1-year)

- General support grant.
- For previously funded organizations in good standing
- Grant range: \$25,000 to \$50,000 USD/year.

**For More Details:** and to apply, please visit the [ITF](#)

**Title of the Call:** UNVTF Small Grants Program to Support Human Trafficking Victims

**Deadline:** January 21st, 2024

**Funding Source/Donor:** UN Voluntary Trust Fund for Victims of Trafficking in Persons (UNVTF)

**Eligibility of Entities to Apply:**

- Non-profit organizations (CSOs, CBOs) registered under relevant laws.
- Registration by 1 December 2021.
- Minimum two years of experience in direct assistance to trafficking victims.
- Verified registration in the UN Partner Portal (UNPP) with a valid Partner ID.
- Bank account in the organization's name.

**Areas to be Covered/Thematic Focus:**

The focus will be on supporting CSO interventions for human trafficking victims in Central Asia, East and Southern Europe, and Africa.

**Funding Information**

- Grant Amount: Up to USD 20,000.



**For More Details:** and to apply, please visit the [United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime](#)

**Title of the Call:** Research Briefs Measuring Unmet Needs for Healthcare and Social Care

**Deadline:** January 21st, 2024

**Funding Source/Donor:** World Health Organization (WHO)

**Objective:** This Request for Proposals aims to contract a qualified bidder to produce research briefs evaluating the feasibility of measuring unmet needs for healthcare and social care within each WHO Region.

**Key Requirements:** The designated project manager and the research team should possess expertise in:

- Conducting systematic reviews on forgone healthcare and unmet needs for social care.
- Identifying, accessing, and processing population survey microdata.
- Performing rigorous statistical analyses to estimate unmet needs at national and regional levels.
- Contextualizing research methods and findings for each WHO Region.
- Writing technically accurate and concise research briefs.

**Eligibility of Entities to Apply:** Open to global submissions from qualified entities with expertise in research, systematic reviews, and statistical analysis.

**For More Details:** and to apply, please visit the [WHO](#)

**Title of the Call:** Large Research Grants on Education Program

**Deadline:** January 24th, 2024

**Funding Source/Donor:** Spencer Foundation

**Eligibility of Entities to Apply:**

- Proposals must focus on academic research projects studying education.
- Principal Investigators (PIs) and Co-PIs must hold a doctorate or relevant experience in education research.
- The PI must be affiliated with a non-profit organization willing to administer the grant.
- Proposals accepted from the U.S. and internationally, in English language, U.S. Dollars.
- PIs and Co-PIs may hold only one active research grant from the Spencer Foundation at a time.
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**Areas to be Covered/Thematic Focus:**



- This initiative is "field-initiated," welcoming proposals independent of specific research topics, disciplines, designs, methods, or locations.
- The program seeks rigorous, intellectually ambitious, and technically sound research addressing pivotal questions and compelling opportunities in education.

**Funding Details:** Grants will range across three funding tiers:

- \$125,000 to \$250,000
- \$250,001 to \$375,000
- \$375,001 to \$500,000

**For More Details:** and to apply, please visit the [Spencer Foundation](#).

**Title of the Call:** 2024 Ashden Awards

**Deadline:** January 25th, 2024

**Funding Source/Donor:** Ashden Award

**Eligibility of Entities to Apply:**

- Open to businesses, NGOs, government organizations, and social enterprises.
- Work must be currently available and exhibit innovation.
- Potential for significant impact through growth or replication.
- Demonstrated good governance, management, and sustainability values.
- Specific eligibility criteria for each award category.

**Areas to be Covered/Thematic Focus:**

- UK Awards
- Ashden Award for Energy Innovation
- Ashden Award for People's Energy
- Ashden Award for Nature Based Solutions
- International Awards
- Ashden Award for Energy Innovation (Global South)
- Ashden Award for Powering Futures in Clean Energy
- Ashden Award for Natural Climate Solutions (Global South)
- Ashden Award for Refugees and Displaced People

**Funding Details:**

Prize: £10,000 or £25,000 based on the award category.

For More Details: and to apply, please visit [Ashden](#)

**Title of the Call:** Global LGBTQI+ Aging Seed Grants Program

**Deadline:** January 31st, 2024



**Funding Source/Donor:** Williams Institute

**Eligibility of Entities to Apply:**

The Williams Institute's Global LGBTQI+ Seed Grants Program is designed to encourage new empirical research focused on LGBTI populations in the least developed, low- and middle-income countries and amplify the voices of researchers from those regions.

- Research team must reside or work in DAC list-defined ODA recipient countries.
- Proposals require partnerships between experienced researchers and civil society organizations.
- Experienced researchers include faculty from various disciplines, advanced graduate students, or those unaffiliated with academic institutions.

**Areas to be Covered/Thematic Focus:**

- LGBTQI+ identity development in later life
- Caregiving, social support, and kinship among LGBTQI older adults
- Elder healthcare access and quality of services
- Discrimination experiences based on various factors
- Violence and elder abuse on LGBTQI+ elders
- Impacts of criminalization of sexual orientation and gender identity
- Advocacy, community organizing, and social movement participation by and for LGBTQI+ older adults.

**Funding Details:**

- Grant Size: Up to \$4,999
- Budget Scope: Salary support, data acquisition, and analysis
- Funding Duration: April 1, 2024, to April 1, 2025
- Indirect Costs: Not covered.

**For More Details:** and to apply, please visit the [Williams Institute](#)



**Title of the Call:** Small Grants Scheme (Community Integration of Displaced People)

**Deadline:** January 31st, 2024

**Funding Source/Donor:** The BEARR Trust

**Eligibility of Entities to Apply:**

- Open to Civil Society Organizations (CSOs) in Armenia, Azerbaijan, Georgia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Moldova, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Ukraine, and Uzbekistan.
- Applications should be a joint effort from two or more partner organizations, fostering long-term partnerships.
- Ineligible Applicants: Individuals, unregistered volunteer groups, universities, or schools.

**Areas to be Covered/Thematic Focus:**

- Theme: Community Integration of Displaced People.
- Addressing disruptions to social cohesion caused by recent movement from country to country and within countries.

**Funding Details:**

- Grant Amount: Up to £4,000

**For more Details:** and to apply, please visit [The BEARR Trust](#)

**Title of the Call:** The Rafto Prize: Empowering Human Rights Defenders

**Deadline:** February 1st, 2024

**Funding Source/Donor:** Rafto Foundation

**Eligibility of Entities to Apply:**

- To be eligible, a candidate should be actively engaged in the struggle for the ideals and principles outlined in the United Nations Universal Declaration of Human Rights.
- The candidate's advocacy for human rights should embody a non-violent perspective.
- Candidates may be individuals or organizations, and the prize can be shared by two or more deserving candidates.

**Areas to be Covered/Thematic Focus:**

- Supporting human rights defenders and offering students human rights and democracy education.

**Funding Details:**

- Prize amounting to 20,000 USD.



**For More Details:** and to apply, please visit the [Rafto Foundation](#)

**Title of the Call:** UN Trust Fund Offering Up to USD 1,000,000 to Civil Society Organizations

**Deadline:** February 1st, 2024

**Funding Source/Donor:** UN Trust Fund

**Eligibility of Entities to Apply:**

- Civil Society Organizations (CSOs) with a minimum of five years' experience in ending Violence Against Women and Girls (VAW/G).
- Prioritizes women's rights organizations, women-led organizations, and those led by and for marginalized women and girls.
- Small organizations with an annual budget below \$200,000 (on average) over the last three years.
- Legal registration for at least five years.

**Areas to be Covered/Thematic Focus:**

**General Window:**

- Addresses violence against marginalized women and girls.
- Emphasizes intersecting forms of discrimination.
- Focuses on specific contexts or communities.

**Special Window:**

- Addresses challenges faced by women and girls in crisis.
- Covers various crisis settings like conflict, natural disasters, and health emergencies.
- Encourages applications from refugee-led organizations.

**Funding Details:**

- Grant size: \$150,000 to \$1,000,000
- Small grants (for small organizations): \$150,000 to \$250,000
- Duration: Four years

**For More Details and to Apply:** please visit the UN Trust Fund's official [website](#).

**Title of the Call:** Nominations open for Gulbenkian Prize for Humanity (5th Edition)

**Deadline:** February 2nd, 2024

**Funding Source/Donor:** Calouste Gulbenkian Foundation

**Eligibility of Entities to Apply:**



- Open to global nominations for individuals, organizations, or groups.
- Demonstrated significant contributions to climate change solutions.
- Third-party nominations required.
- Posthumous and inactive organization awards not eligible.
- Former Prize Jury members ineligible.

**Areas to be Covered/Thematic Focus:**

The prize acknowledges achievements and contributions to climate action and solutions from 2020 to 2024, emphasizing:

- Transformative solutions with long-term impact.
- Scalable initiatives demonstrating environmental and social benefits.
- Inspirational leadership and active engagement.
- Forward-looking ideas addressing current and future challenges.

**Funding Details:**

- Annual prize: 1 million euros.
- Equitably divided if multiple laureates.
- Funds intended for strategic impact, not lifetime achievement or seed funding.

**For More Details:** and to apply, please visit the [Calouste Gulbenkian Foundation](#).

**Title of the Call:** UNESCO King Hamad Bin Isa Al-Khalifa Prize for the Use of ICT in Education

**Deadline:** February 5th, 2024

**Funding Source/Donor:** UNESCO

**Eligibility of Entities to Apply:**

- Open to individuals, institutions, NGOs, or entities.
- Ongoing projects with a minimum duration of one year.
- Projects and organizations must be independent of UNESCO affiliation and funding.
- Projects should be public and accessible without charges.

**Areas to be Covered/Thematic Focus:** Digital Learning for Greening Education: Focus on leveraging digital technologies to impart knowledge, skills, and values related to climate change and sustainable development.

**Funding Details:**

- Annual award of US\$ 25,000 each for two outstanding projects.

For More Details and to Apply: please visit the UNESCO official [website](#).





**Title of the Call:** Vigdís Prize for Women's Empowerment

**Deadline:** February 15th, 2024

**Funding Source/Donor:** PACE + Government of Iceland

**Eligibility of Entities to Apply:**

- Individuals or civil society groups, including NGOs, associations, and private companies.
- Excludes current parliamentary assembly members and deceased individuals.

**Areas to be Covered/Thematic Focus:**

- This annual award aims to recognize exceptional initiatives fostering women's empowerment, including gender equality, participation, decision-making, and societal inclusion.

**Funding Details:**

- Award: 60,000 euros for the winner's impactful initiatives and a diploma.
- The Prize-winner will be announced at a special ceremony during the opening of the Assembly's June part-session, presided by the Assembly's President.

**For More Details:** and to apply, please visit the [PACE](#).

**Title of the Call:** Call for Proposals to Promote Gender Equality

**Deadline:** February 29th, 2024

**Funding Source/Donor:** European Commission (EC)

**Areas to be Covered/Thematic Focus:**

- Promotion of family-friendly practices in companies.
- Prevention and protection against discrimination of women during and after pregnancy.
- Raising awareness of the value of care work.
- Developing gender-sensitive tools for transparent pay systems.
- Raising awareness of gender-neutral job evaluation and classification systems.

**Eligibility Criteria:**

Priority 1:

- Legal entities (public or private bodies) internationally or in eligible countries.
- Profit-oriented organizations may apply in partnership with public entities or private non-profit organizations.
- Activities must take place in eligible countries.
- Maximum duration: 24 months.
- EU grant applied for cannot be lower than EUR 100,000.
- National or transnational projects involving at least two applicants.

Priority 2:

- Lead applicants: EU national authorities responsible for the Pay Transparency Directive.



- Co-applicants: International organizations, public entities, or private organizations in eligible countries.
- Activities must take place in eligible countries.
- Maximum duration: 24 months.
- EU grant applied for cannot be lower than EUR 100,000.
- National or transnational projects involving one or more organizations.

**Funding Information:**

- The available call budget is EUR 10,100,000.
- Project budget (maximum grant amount) cannot be lower than EUR 100,000 in both priorities.
- The grant awarded may be lower than the amount requested.

**For More Details and to apply:** please visit the [European Commission](#)

**Title of the Call:** International Children's Peace Prize

**Deadline:** March 1st, 2024

**Funding Source/Donor:** KidsRights

**Eligibility of Entities to Apply:**

- Nominations accepted from individuals above 18 or organizations.
- Nominee must be aged 12 to 17 by the nomination deadline.
- Open to children from any country globally.
- Demonstrated history of advocating for children's rights.
- Willingness and ability to travel abroad and effectively communicate their message.

**Areas to be Covered/Thematic Focus:** This award recognizes, and honors children aged 12 to 17 who demonstrate exceptional courage in advocating for children's rights.

**Funding Details:**

- The recipient will be awarded:
- The "Nkosi" statuette symbolizing a child setting the world in motion.
- The "Desmond Tutu study and care fund" for educational support.
- A project fund of €100,000, invested in relevant children's rights projects linked to the winner's advocacy area.
- Global visibility and a platform to amplify the winner's work.

**For More Details and to Apply:** please visit the KidsRights official [website](#)

**Title of the Call:** Right Livelihood Award 2024 Nominations

**Deadline:** March 1st, 2024



**Funding Source/Donor:** Right Livelihood Award

**Eligibility of Entities to Apply:**

- Open to individuals or organizations worldwide striving to create a more just, peaceful, and sustainable world.
- Nominations can be submitted in English, French, and Spanish.
- Each individual may submit one nomination per year, while organizations may submit multiple nominations.

**Areas to be Covered/Thematic Focus:**

- Advancing Social Justice and Environmental Causes

**Funding Information:**

- Three Cash Awards and one Honorary Award are typically presented annually.
- The Honorary Award is for nominees whose primary need is not cash support but would benefit from significant recognition and publicity.
- Cash Awards are intended for work in progress or the extension of existing activities, never for personal use.

**For More Details and to apply:** please visit the [Right Livelihood](#)

**Title of the Call:** USAID Funding Opportunity to Advance the Rights of LGBTQI+ Individuals and Communities

**Deadline:** March 15th, 2024

**Funding Source/Donor:** USAID

**Eligibility of Entities to Apply:**

- Non-U.S. and U.S. non-profit organizations are eligible to submit Concept Notes.
- Priority will be given to LGBTQI+ organizations or coalitions with regional/multi-country activities in USAID presence countries.
- Implementing Partners must be legally registered entities and possess a Unique Entity Identifier (UEI) and registration in SAM.gov.
- USAID encourages applications from non-U.S.-based CSOs and allows the formation of consortia.

**Areas to be Covered/Thematic Focus:**

- Developing anti-bullying resources to promote LGBTQI+ inclusion in schools.
- Empowering LGBTQI+ individuals with job skills and vocational training.
- Supporting LGBTQI+-owned businesses or those catering to the community.
- Providing training for health professionals on LGBTQI+ inclusion.
- Establishing digital networks of affirming health and mental health care providers.
- Supporting holistic health services for survivors of harmful practices.
- Disseminating evidence-based content to dispel myths surrounding LGBTQI+ issues.

**Funding Details:**



- Up to \$25 million over a five-year period, ranging from \$500 thousand to \$10 million per award.
- Awards will be contingent on funding availability and the nature of received applications.

**For More Details and to Apply:** please visit [Grants.gov](https://grants.gov).

**Title of the Call:** GCSP Prize for Transformative Futures in Peace and Security 2024

**Deadline:** March 25th, 2024

**Funding Source/Donor:** The Geneva Centre for Security Policy

**Eligibility of Entities to Apply:**

- Open to applicants from any country.
- Concepts should have a global impact on peace and security challenges.
- Individuals, groups, or organizations from private or public sectors can apply.
- Ineligibility: GCSP employees, staff, current fellows, current participants, and their family members.

**Areas to be covered/thematic:** The focus will be on innovative concepts with exceptional promise in addressing global peace and security challenges.

**Funding Details:**

- First-place winner: Fully funded 2-month incubation program (worth 15,000 CHF) and a certificate of excellence.
- Two other finalists: Certificate of recognition.

**For More Details and to apply:** please visit the [GCSP](https://gcsp.org).

**Title of the Call:** Preventing and Combating GBV and Violence Against Children

**Deadline:** April 24th, 2024

**Funding Source/Donor:** European Commission (EC)

**Eligibility of Entities to Apply:**

- Lead applicants must be non-profit.
- Transnational projects for Priority 1; national or transnational for Priorities 2 to 4.
- Involvement of at least two organizations from different eligible countries.

**Areas to be Covered/Thematic Focus:**

- Large-scale and Long-term Transnational Actions on Tackling GBV.
- Targeted Actions for the Protection of and Support for Victims.
- Targeted Actions for the Prevention of GBV.
- Targeted Actions Making Integrated Child Protection Systems Work.

**Funding Information:**

- Project budgets vary for each priority.



- EUR 1,000,000 to EUR 2,500,000 for Priority 1.
- EUR 100,000 to EUR 1,000,000 for Priorities 2 to 4.

**For More Details and to Apply:** please visit the European Commission's official [website](#).

**Title of the Call:** Zayed Sustainability Prize

**Deadline:** June 23rd, 2024

**Funding Source/Donor:** Abu Dhabi Government

**Eligibility of Entities to Apply:**

- Open to small or medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) or non-profit organizations (NPOs).
- Innovative solutions demonstrating a clear vision, scalability, and long-term impact.
- Global High Schools category open to secondary schools in six geographic regions.

**Areas to be Covered/Thematic Focus:**

- Ensuring access to essential and affordable healthcare and maternal and newborn healthcare.
- Ending epidemics (AIDS, Malaria, Tuberculosis, etc.) and preventing and treating water-borne, communicable, and non-communicable diseases.
- Decreasing hunger and malnutrition.
- Increasing agricultural or other food processing productivity and ensuring the sustainability of food systems.
- Ensuring access to affordable and reliable clean energy and implementing clean energy technology innovation.
- Increasing production of clean energy and improving energy efficiency and energy infrastructure.
- Ensuring access to safe and affordable drinking water and sanitation and hygiene.
- Increasing water use efficiency.
- Climate Adaptation and resilience building.
- Sustainable Land Use and Forest Conservation.

**Funding Details:**

- Health: Prize fund of US \$1,000,000.
- Food: Prize fund of US \$1,000,000.
- Energy: Prize fund of US \$1,000,000.
- Water: Prize fund of US \$1,000,000.
- Climate Action: Prize fund of US \$1,000,000.
- Global High Schools: Prize fund of up to US \$150,000.

**For More Details and to Apply:** please visit the Zayed Sustainability Prize's official [website](#).



## Previously Announced Funding Opportunities

**Title of the Call:** U.S. Ambassadors Fund for Cultural Preservation Grants Program (Moldova)

**Deadline:** January 19th, 2024

**Funding Source/Donor:** U.S. Embassy Chisinau

**Eligibility of Entities to Apply:**

- Implementers must be reputable non-commercial entities.
- Eligible entities include NGOs, museums, educational institutions, and relevant ministries.
- AFCP does not fund individuals, commercial entities, or previous non-compliant awardees.
- Encourages cost-sharing, in-kind contributions, and participation in project costs.

**Areas to be Covered/Thematic Focus:**

- Safeguarding historic buildings, archaeological sites, manuscripts, museum collections, and traditional cultural expressions.
- Projects may involve anastylosis, conservation, consolidation, documentation, inventory, preventive conservation, restoration, and stabilization.

**Funding Details:**

- Minimum Award: US \$10,000 per project.
- Maximum Award: US \$500,000 per project.
- Anticipated Awards: 20-30.
- Funding Priorities for 2024 include projects that support U.S. treaty obligations, address disaster risk reduction for cultural heritage, and complement other ECA or public diplomacy programs.

**For More Details:** and to apply, visit the [U.S. Embassy in Moldova](#)

**Title of the Call:** World Justice Challenge: The Rule of Law Foundation of Democracy

**Deadline:** January 31st, 2024

**Funding Source/Donor:** World Justice Project (WJP)

**Eligibility of Entities to Apply:**

- Open globally to applications from any country or territory.
- Multidisciplinary, welcoming non-profits, social entrepreneurs, media, multilateral organizations, government bodies, businesses/private sector enterprises, bar associations, and law firms.
- United States-based projects are eligible for the U.S. Building Trust Prize. Non-U.S. projects are eligible for the other four categories.
- Applicants may submit up to two entries, with collaborative entries encouraged.



- Entries must be submitted in English, with evaluation focusing on the project quality, independent of English language proficiency.

**Areas to be Covered/Thematic Focus:**

- Ensuring electoral processes and transitions of government power are subject to the law.
- Building citizen trust in justice institutions; ensuring justice systems are independent, impartial, accountable, transparent, and ethical.
- Protecting free media and a robust, trustworthy information ecosystem amid technological change.
- Strengthening young people's engagement with rule of law and democracy processes and institutions. U.S. Building Trust Prize for U.S. projects demonstrating exceptional impact in the above categories.

**Funding Details:**

- Cash awards of \$20,000 USD each to five initiatives displaying results and promising prospects for future progress, replication, and/or scaling.
- Four winners chosen by a committee of experienced judges.
- A fifth winner selected by a network of finalists from previous World Justice Challenge competitions.
- The competition culminates at the American Bar Association Annual Meeting in Chicago, USA, August 3-9, 2024.
- Finalists will be invited to attend, showcase their work, participate in the awards ceremony, and join the World Justice Challenge Alumni Network.

**For More Details:** to apply, visit the [World Justice Project](#)

**Title of the Call:** Contemplative Changemaking Grants Addressing Urgent Community Needs

**Deadline:** February 1st, 2024

**Funding Source/Donor:** Mind & Life Institute

**Eligibility of Entities to Apply:**

- Applicants must be individuals applying in their own name or on behalf of a local community-based nonprofit organization (including universities) and social enterprises.
- For-profit ventures or businesses are not eligible.
- Priority given to emerging leaders (18-30 years old) and those belonging to marginalized groups, serving traditionally underserved and underrepresented groups.
- Grantees who haven't attended the Mind & Life Summer Research Institute in the last ten years will be requested to attend the 2025 Institute.

**Areas to be Covered/Thematic Focus:**

- Projects using contemplative wisdom to alleviate suffering, promote healing, and positively transform lives.



- Focus areas include civic engagement, climate action, economic empowerment, education, physical and mental health, and social inclusion.
- Emphasis on projects that support relationship building and serve communities long-term.

**Funding Details:**

- Grants of up to \$10,000 (USD) awarded through a competitive application and selection process.
- Proposed projects should be completed within a two-year period with periodic progress reports required by Mind & Life.

**For More Details:** to apply, visit the [Mind & Life Institute website](#).

**Title of the Call:** Digital Freedom Fund - Call for Applications

**Deadline:** February 14th, 2024

**Funding Source/Donor:** Digital Freedom Fund

**Eligibility of Entities to Apply:**

- Digital rights advocates, including NGOs and entities pursuing public interest objectives.
- Pro bono lawyers and other litigators aiming to protect and advance digital rights in Europe.
- The fund supports not only digital rights organizations but also extends assistance to racial, social, feminist, queer, environmental, migrant rights, and economic justice movements and organizations working on digital rights.

**Areas to be Covered/Thematic Focus:**

- Advancing the right to privacy, including protection against unjustified government surveillance and personal data protection under the GDPR.
- Protecting and promoting the free flow of information online, including cases challenging unjustified blocking, filtering, and removal of online content.
- Ensuring accountability, transparency, and adherence to human rights standards in technology use and design, such as respecting human rights in law enforcement technology application and transparency in algorithmic decision-making.

**Funding Details:**

- Average size of a litigation track support grant: approximately EUR 50,000.
- Average size of a pre-litigation research support grant: around EUR 30,000.
- Approved grants range from EUR 3,000 to over EUR 100,000.
- Types of activities funded include litigation track support for cases through multiple instances and pre-litigation research for planned litigation.

**For More Details:** and to apply, visit the [Digital Freedom Fund](#)





**Title of the Call:** Yidan Prize Nominations Open: Celebrating Excellence in Education

**Deadline:** March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2024

**Funding Source:** Yidan Prize Foundation

**Areas to be Covered:**

- Education Research: Acknowledging contributions in learning theory encompassing science, psychology, statistics, and methodologies enhancing educational practices.
- Education Development: Recognizing innovation in applied learning methods, fostering wider access to education, and promoting effective techniques in the field.

**Funding Information:** Each year's laureates will receive the Yidan Prize, comprising a gold medal and a total award of HK\$30 million. Half of this sum constitutes a cash prize acknowledging their contributions, while the remaining portion is designated as a project fund distributed over three years to support their ongoing efforts. This funding can be utilized to expand initiatives, venture into new regions, or continue their work. Recipients will receive continuous support to assess their progress and measure the impact of their projects.

**Eligibility Criteria:**

- Open Nomination Process: All individuals or teams demonstrating exceptional contributions in either Education Research or Education Development are eligible for nomination. There's no requirement for an invitation to nominate.
- Self-Nominations: Individuals can nominate themselves, requiring a minimum of three supporters. The selection process treats self-nominations with fairness and equality.
- Supporter Nominations: Supporters cannot simultaneously be nominators for the same nominee. However, they can support multiple unrelated nominations.
- Multiple Nominations: Having several nominations for the same nominee or in the same category doesn't increase the nominee's chances. Collaboration among nominators is encouraged for a robust application.
- Exclusions: Nominations for immediate family members, current board directors, judging, or advisory committee members, or posthumous recognitions are not permissible.

**Additional Information:** Interested parties can submit multiple nominations and nominate the same individual or team across both categories if their work spans research and development in education. However, multiple nominations for the same nominee or in the same category do not enhance their chances of recognition.

**For More Details:** For further details and to engage in the nomination process, visit the [Yidan Prize Foundation](#)

**Title of the call:** Fit for Life Awards 2024

**Deadline:** 15-Feb-24

**Funding source/donor:** Fit for Life Foundation



**Eligibility of entities to apply:**

- The organization or initiative must be legally registered as a non-profit or social enterprise in its country/countries of operations.
- They do not accept applications from research institutes, government/public sector institutes, political organizations, or organizations that discriminate based on age, gender, race, ethnicity, disability, national origin, political affiliation, religious belief, or sexual orientation.

**Areas to be covered/thematic:**

- Physical fitness, exercise, and sport
- Mental health and well-being
- Mobility and nutrition
- At-home care and community support for older people
- Prevention of non-communicable diseases (NCDs)
- Other forms of preventative health support
- Link to the official site: Fit for Life Foundation

**Award Details:**

At a yearly Award Ceremony Laureates receive 100,000 EUR over 3 years, plus recognition. The selection process includes sourcing, a rigorous three-stage due diligence process with 10 key selection criteria, and a selection committee composed of foundation advisory board members. Ongoing performance monitoring and regular evaluations are carried out to assess the impact of all grantees.

**Where to find more information?** For more information, please visit the [Fit for Life Foundation website](#)

**Title:** Development Innovation Ventures (DIV) Program Grants by USAID

**Deadline:** 31-Oct-24

**Funding Source/Donor:** U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID)

**Objective:** The USAID's Development Innovation Ventures (DIV) program is designed to support scalable solutions that address global development challenges and aid people living in poverty across developing countries. Through a tiered funding strategy, DIV looks to support innovations at various stages, from piloting to scaling, provided they show evidence of impact, cost-effectiveness, and a potential for large-scale implementation.

**Funding Information:**

Award Ceiling: \$15,000,000

Award Floor: \$25,000

Duration: DIV awards typically extend for a maximum of three years.

**What they fund:**



- Innovative technologies, business models, delivery or financing methods.
- Adaptations of existing solutions that are cost-effective.
- Initiatives to increase uptake of effective solutions, policy innovations, and behavioral innovations.
- Data collection and rigorous evaluation to measure the social impact of promising innovations.

**What they don't fund:**

- Ideas without a prototype (prototype stage).
- Projects with limited potential to scale cost-effectively.
- Basic scientific or laboratory research without field testing.
- Innovations targeting high-income customers with limited development impact.
- Stand-alone monitoring or evaluation platforms.
- Solutions with limited context for scalability.
- Research that doesn't assess cost-effectiveness or scalability.
- Indirect impact intermediaries like incubators and accelerators.

**Core Principles of DIV prioritize the evidence of impact:**

- Support for early-stage piloting, rigorous testing of new and existing solutions, and scaling of innovations with proven impact.
- Public Pathway to Scale: Government or philanthropic funding with rigorous evidence of causal impact for later-stage innovations.
- Commercial Pathway to Scale: Long-term market viability with evidence from customer willingness to pay for later-stage innovations.
- Cost-Effectiveness: More development impact per dollar than existing solutions.
- Potential for Scale and Financial Sustainability: Innovations must be scalable through commercial or public/philanthropic funding within 10 years.

**Eligibility Criteria:** Open to all, including individuals, businesses, nonprofits, researchers, and governments. Geographically, DIV supports innovations in countries where USAID operates. Sector-agnostic, accepting applications from various development sectors. Applicants must be legally recognized entities under applicable law and capable of fulfilling the project requirements.

For More Details: Visit [Grants.gov](https://www.grants.gov) for application and further information.

## Ongoing Opportunities Without a Deadline

**Title of the Call:** World Diabetes Foundation Grant Program

**Deadline:** Ongoing Opportunity

**Funding Source / Donor:** World Diabetes Foundation



**Mission:** The World Diabetes Foundation's mission is to alleviate human suffering related to diabetes among those in greatest need by creating partnerships, linking resources, and empowering local communities. They prioritize support for the poorest of the poor, encourage innovative prevention strategies, and advocate for diabetes care and prevention globally.

**Interventions & Focus Areas:** The foundation focuses on:

- Access to care
- Primary prevention
- Advocacy

**Eligible Projects:** The World Diabetes Foundation supports projects that are:

- Demand-driven
- Locally formulated
- Integrated into local health systems

**What They Fund:** The foundation funds projects dedicated to improving diabetes care and prevention in low- and middle-income countries that are part of the OECD Development Assistance Committee (DAC). Project proposals should be locally formulated and owned, offering replicable and sustainable solutions with the potential to prevent diabetes and enhance the lives of people with the disease.

**What They Don't Fund:**

- Medication
- Construction of buildings
- Basic laboratory research or exclusive research projects
- Travel grants for conferences and meetings
- Educational grants for long-term basic or specialized training
- Primary health care work without a focus on diabetes prevention and care
- Establishment of parallel structures
- Heavy equipment (unless justified by project design)
- External consultants (unless justified by project design and local context)
- North/South approaches (unless justified by local context)
- A significant project staff component

**Eligibility Criteria:** Applicants should have a successful track record in diabetes care and prevention or align with locally anchored partners or networks with such a track record. Co-funding is expected from applicants, stakeholders, and/or other partners. Support from or involvement by local health authorities in the relevant country or area is also expected. Collaboration with diabetes associations or similar civil society groups in the field of chronic disease prevention and care is welcomed.

**For More Details:** To apply or for more information, please visit the [World Diabetes Foundation website](#).

**Title:** Cisco Product Grant Program

**Deadline:** Ongoing Opportunity



**Objective:** Cisco seeks to partner with community organizations worldwide that offer innovative solutions to critical social challenges. Through the Product Grant Program, Cisco donates networking technology to eligible nonprofit organizations to enhance their productivity, scalability, and cost efficiency, with a focus on creating public benefit programs that utilize networking and communications technology for a measurable impact.

**Funding Information:**

- Cisco provides a maximum donation of US\$100,000 (list price) of equipment for first-time grant recipients.

**Areas of Focus:**

- Cisco Crisis Response (including shelter, water, food, and disaster relief)
- Education
- Economic empowerment
- Climate impact and regeneration

**Eligibility Criteria:**

- Accepts applications year-round.
- U.S. organizations must be recognized by the IRS as tax-exempt under Internal Revenue Code Section 501(c)(3) and classified as a public charity.
- Non-U.S. organizations need to provide relevant documents to establish their equivalence to a U.S. public charity.
- Organizations should serve the wider community.
- Overhead costs for the organization should not surpass 25%.

**Ineligibility Criteria:**

- Incomplete or paper-based proposals.
- Organizations or programs that re-grant or loan funds.
- Programs requiring exposure to or conversion to any religious doctrine for beneficiaries (although direct service programs by faith-based entities may qualify).
- New/start-up nonprofits with less than a year of operations.
- Organizations with overhead exceeding 25%.
- Proposals linked to or supporting a product sale.
- Schools, scholarships, foundations, booster clubs, colleges/universities, libraries, museums, hospitals, health care centers, clinics, food banks.
- Requests for third-party equipment (e.g., office furniture, laptops) or third-party services (e.g., installation, design).

**For More Details:** To apply, [visit Cisco's official website](#).

**Title:** Global Innovation Fund Grant for Non-profit Organisations and Social Enterprises

**Deadline:** Ongoing

**Funding Source/Donor:** Global Innovation Fund (GIF)



**Objective:** The Global Innovation Fund (GIF) is inviting applications to identify and support evidence-based innovations that have the potential to significantly improve the lives of the world's poorest individuals. Through a range of financial instruments and a venture-style staged funding approach, GIF aims to scale impactful solutions and generate new insights about what works in global development.

**Funding Stages:**

1. **Pilot (up to \$230,000):** Innovations at an early development phase with a credible implementation and testing plan.
2. **Test & Transition (up to \$2.3m):** Innovations that have shown potential at a small scale and require further validation of operational, social, and financial viability.
3. **Scale (up to \$15m):** Innovations with robust evidence, aiming to reach millions, and have a feasible scaling strategy.

**Eligibility Criteria:**

- Any organization type can apply, including social enterprises, for-profit companies, non-profit entities, government bodies, international organizations, and research institutions globally.
- It is advised that individual innovators or researchers apply via an affiliated organization.
- Innovations should be novel, improve upon alternative solutions, be backed by evidence, be widely applicable, have scaling potential, be led by a competent team, be ready for investment, generate new knowledge, have a distinct role for GIF, and be considerate of gender impacts and climate risks.

**What They Do Not Fund:** GIF does not fund theoretical research unlinked to real-world projects, country-specific approaches (with exceptions for populous developing nations), political affiliations, broader innovation ecosystem supports like incubators, illegal or internationally banned activities, and activities related to luxury goods, prostitution, human trafficking, terrorism, prohibited drugs, gambling, or pornography.

**For More Details:** To apply, read more on the [Global Innovation Fund](#).

**Title of the call:** Rapid Response Window on Women's Participation

**Deadline:** Ongoing Opportunity

**Funding source/donor:** Women's Peace and Humanitarian Fund (WPHF)

**Eligibility of entities to apply:**

- Women peacebuilders, national, regional, and local women's rights organizations, youth-focused or young women-led organizations, feminist civil society organizations, and networks of women mediators. Coalitions among CSOs are also eligible.
- Individuals, Informal groups, women's associations, and networks (for Direct Support stream) are encouraged to apply.
- Must be from Official Development Assistance (ODA) eligible countries with a formal ongoing peace process (Track 1 and 2) at national, sub-national, and international levels.
- Women's Rights or Feminist Organizations, Women-Led Organizations, Youth Focused Organizations, and Young Women Led Organizations can apply.



- Ineligible entities include international NGOs with an international scope, government agencies, UN agencies, private sector entities, universities, think tanks, political parties, or local authorities.

**Areas to be covered/thematic:**

- Increasing women's influence in national, subnational, and international formal peace processes.
- High-level decision-making processes involving national leadership (Track 1).
- Activities between influential actors intended to influence a Track 1 process (Track 2).

**Funding Information:**

- Direct Support: up to \$25,000 USD, which includes requests for logistical and/or technical services directly related to peace processes.
- Short-Term Grants: up to \$100,000 USD, for projects that address the objectives of the RRW and supported by an INGO partner.

**Geographic Focus:** Official Development Assistance (ODA) eligible countries with an ongoing formal peace process at national, sub-national, or international levels.

**For More Details:** To apply, read more on the [Women's Peace and Humanitarian Fund \(WPHF\)](#).

**Title of the call:** AJA Foundation Grant Program

**Deadline:** Ongoing Opportunity

**Funding source/donor:** AJA Foundation

**Eligibility of entities to apply:**

- Organizations that align with the focus areas of AJA Foundation
- Only one request per organization annually; if declined, eligible to apply again after 12 months

**Areas to be covered/thematic:**

- Human Rights: Support for organizations that defend human rights, aid refugees, and provide social services, focusing on addressing root causes and structural changes.
- Water: Focus on providing renewable clean water, addressing overall health and other societal impacts like education, employment, and gender equality.
- Health: Grants to organizations offering essential health services to those who can't access or afford it, mainly in developing countries.
- Education: Aid for students from financially disadvantaged backgrounds who excel in school but lack resources, offering tutoring, mentoring, advanced coursework, and scholarships.

**Funding Information:** Grants vary depending on the program.

**Target Stakeholders:**

- Organizations globally that align with AJA Foundation's focus areas.
- Communities and individuals benefiting from projects in human rights, water, health, and education.



**Geographic Focus:** Global, with commitment to renewable clean water in rural African villages and health services in developing countries.

**Additional Criteria:**

- Due to funding constraints, only one request per organization can be considered annually.
- If a request is declined, the organization is eligible to reapply 12 months after the declination date.

For more detailed information, interested entities can [visit AJA Foundation](#)

**Title of the call:** Apply for Multitudes Incubation and Scaling Grants – Europe

**Deadline:** Ongoing Opportunity

**Funding source/donor:** Multitudes Foundation

**Eligibility of entities to apply:**

- Political changemakers based in Europe, both individuals and organizations
- Preference for those not yet supported by other organizations.
- Open to unsolicited proposals
- Targeting those in ideation stages or scaling their impact

**Areas to be covered/thematic:**

- Building more inclusive and human political cultures (e.g., initiatives that work with political parties on electoral lists, building inclusive environments)
- Mobilizing people and communities for political power (e.g., initiatives that support communities to build power between and during elections)
- Preparing new political leaders to run for office (e.g., initiatives supporting candidates from underrepresented communities)

**Funding Information:**

- Incubation grants: Up to €50,000 for initiatives or organizations transitioning from voluntary work to sustainable organizations.
- Scaling grants: Up to €100,000 for registered organizations ready to scale their efforts either horizontally (increasing existing work) or vertically (reaching new levels)

**Geographic Focus:** Europe

For more detailed information, interested entities can visit Multitudes Foundation.

**Title of the call:** New Democracy Fund's Flexible Response Mechanism

**Deadline:** Ongoing opportunity

**Eligibility of entities to apply:**





The call supports a broad variety of civil society actors in the Eastern Neighbourhood Countries (Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Georgia, Moldova and Ukraine), including human rights defenders, artists and/or cultural non-governmental organizations, journalists and documentarists, trade unions or other non-governmental labor organizations, associations, networks or any other organization that represents a certain voice/group in a society, civil society actors in the Eastern Neighbourhood Countries currently in exile with a previous or existing partnership with a Danish organization. Please note, all applicants must have a Danish-based organization as a partner. Consortium member organizations of the New Democracy Fund can be such a partner.

**Areas to be covered/thematic:**

Supports projects that focus on countering restrictions and human rights abuses, overcoming risks and emergencies, reclaiming civic space, using new windows of opportunity and new political openings, providing emergency assistance to individuals of all genders and groups under threat where the support is channeled through a civil society organization.

**Budget:**

The total yearly budget for Flexible Response Mechanism is DKK 5,000,000. The maximum grant amount awarded is DKK 400,000.

**Application process:** In order to apply, please fill out the Flexible Response Application Form 2023, Flexible Response Budget Template 2023, and Flexible Response Work Plan 2023 in English available in [this link](#). These should be sent to [frm@newdemocracyfund.org](mailto:frm@newdemocracyfund.org). Applications are handled on a rolling basis with a processing time of four to six weeks.

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

**Funding Opportunity:** Catalyst Fund

**Deadline for Application:** Ongoing Opportunity

**Value:** Requests submitted through the Catalyst Fund range from \$2,500 to \$15,000.

**Eligibility Criteria:**

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.

**Where to find more information:** Visit [Catalyst Fund](#).

**Funding Opportunity:** Global Fund for Women Grant Program

**Deadline for Application:** Ongoing opportunity

**Eligibility Criteria:**

- Be outside of the United States (with some exceptions)



- Use an intersectional feminist analysis and focus on advancing gender justice.
- Embrace collective action and be governed, directed, and/or led by historically marginalized communities.
- Not be a government entity, political party, or election campaign.
- Not be an international organization proposing projects with local partners.
- Groups do not need to be registered non-governmental organizations (NGOs) to qualify for funding.

**Where to find more information:** Visit the [Global Fund for Women website](#).

**Title of the call:** Lush Charity Pot Grant

**Deadline:** Ongoing Opportunity

**Funding source:** Lush Cosmetics, via the sale of Charity Pot hand and body cream

**Eligibility of entities to apply:**

Small, grassroots groups, having an annual income of less than £350,000. Predominantly volunteer-run, not-for-profit. Various specific exclusions apply (e.g., organizations involved in cruelty, harboring prejudice, etc.).

**Areas to be covered:**

Animal Protection, Environment, Human Rights (including social justice, peace, and equality). Targeted funding to create long-term change, support non-violent direct-action groups, provide aid for basic life needs, and support environmental responsibility.

**Budget:**

Charity Pot grants range from £100 to £10,000 per project/application. The average grant is between £2,000 – £4,000.

**Additional information:**

Rarely funds the maximum amount of £10,000. Specific criteria for what are and is not funded (e.g., does not fund animal farming, salary costs, etc.). Environmental responsibility is central to Lush.

**Where to find more information?** Visit [Lush Charity Pot Grant](#).