

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).

New Funding Opportunities

Title of the Call: OHCHR Minorities Fellowship Program 2024

Deadline: Friday, 8th December 2023

Funding Source/Donor: Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR)

Eligibility of Entities to Apply:

- Candidates must belong to a national, ethnic, linguistic, or religious minority group.
- Formal education should not be a barrier to participation if relevant experience can be demonstrated.
- Candidates should be capable of training others within their communities/organizations upon their return and commit to doing so.
- A good working knowledge of the language in which the program is imparted is required.
- Candidates should be nominated by their organization/community, which should be representative of and work on minority issues.

Selection by an advisory group from OHCHR based on gender and regional balance, the human rights situation in the candidate's region/country, and the situation of the minority community to which the applicant belongs.

Areas to be Covered/Thematic: Empowering minority rights defenders with knowledge about the UN's human rights mechanisms, specifically focusing on minority rights. Training program in three languages: Arabic, English, and Russian. A 4-week fellowship, including a 1-week Preparatory Training in Strasbourg, France, followed by a 3-week session in Geneva.

Funding Information:

- Return airfare (economy class) from the country of residence to Geneva.
- Basic health insurance for the duration of the program.
- A stipend to cover accommodation and living expenses during the program.

For More Details: Visit the [OHCHR Minorities Fellowship Programme webpage](#) for more information and to access the application forms.

Title of the Call: Sport for Women's Empowerment Programme

Deadline: December 14th, 2023

Funding Source/Donor: FIFA and Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ), with support from Agence Française de Développement (AFD)

Eligibility of Entities to Apply:

- Organizations recognized as of public utility such as associations, foundations, local authorities, sports clubs, sports federations, economic interest groups, cooperatives, government bodies.
- Must be registered in the project's host country for at least 2 years.
- Annual resources should be equal to or less than €500,000.
- Legally independent and autonomous, with no convictions of prohibited practices or corruption.
- Compliant accounting system with national standards.
- Demonstrated long-term strategy and vision with a monitoring and evaluation system.
- Non-FIFA member football federations are not eligible.

Areas to be Covered/Thematic:

- Addressing gender inequalities and combating gender-based violence.
- Facilitating women's access to leadership, professional integration, entrepreneurship, life skills, governance, and healthcare through sports.
- Integration of sports to achieve Sustainable Development Goals, focusing on addressing vulnerabilities faced by women and young girls.

Funding Details:

- Financing ranging between €18,000 and €22,000, including VAT, for each winning project.
- Total expenses of projects should not exceed €150,000 (excluding valuations).
- Projects are expected to run for a minimum of 9 months and a maximum of 11 months, starting from March 2024 and concluding no later than February 2025.
- Projects falling outside this funding range will be considered ineligible.

For More Details: and to apply, visit the [FIFA](#)

Title of the Call: The MENSANA Project "My Community Promotes Mental Health" Grants Contest

Deadline: December 28th, 2023

Funding Source/Donor: The MENSANA Project – "Support for Mental Health Services Reform in Moldova," supported by the Swiss Government

Eligibility of Entities to Apply:

- Local public authority institutions, public institutions related to mental health or protection of rights of people with mental health issues, non-governmental organizations, professional associations or unions, and commercial organizations with non-commercial projects.
- Collaborative project proposals among these institutions are encouraged.
- Areas to be Covered/Thematic Focus:
- Projects that propose, create, and implement local activity plans to enhance collaboration between the community and regional/municipal mental health services.
- Projects that propose, create, and implement policy documents for collaboration between public institutions and civil society organizations for local mental health.
- Projects focused on activities and events to raise community awareness about mental health.

Funding Details:

- Two "AMBASSADOR" communities will each receive a grant worth 10,000 Swiss Francs (CHF).
- The grant includes methodological support, project planning and implementation guidance, communication support, and assistance from regional/municipal mental health community services and MENSANA project experts.

For More Details: For further information and application details, contact the Moldovan-Swiss MENSANA project team at constanta.popa@trimbos.md

Title of the Call: THE SKATEROOM's Social Skate Project 2024

Deadline: December 31st, 2023

Funding Source/Donor: THE SKATEROOM

Eligibility of Entities to Apply:

- The organization must be a registered charity. Legal entity or status should be recognizable in the country of operation.
- The proposed project must respond to an existing need in the community.
- The project should have a monitoring and evaluation framework or impact reporting system in place.
- Regular contact with THE SKATEROOM during the partnership is mandatory.

Areas to be Covered/Thematic Focus:

- Gender Equity: Prioritizing participation of girls and all gender-expansive identities through programming, initiatives, and staff representation.
- Inclusion of Minority Populations: Breaking social barriers and demonstrating action-based initiatives for persons facing social exclusion.
- Economic Empowerment: Demonstrating local investment for the sustainability and longevity of projects.

- Project Sustainability: Demonstrating diversification of funding, development goals, financial policy, and investment in staff and capacity building.

Funding Details:

- Funding amounts range from \$10,000 to \$30,000, distributed quarterly over one year, from February to December.
- A clear spending budget should be included in the project proposal, with an upper and lower funding amount deemed achievable.

For More Details: For additional information and to apply, please visit [THE SKATEROOM website](#).

Title of the Call: Front Line Defenders 2024 Award for Human Rights Defenders at Risk

Deadline: January 5th, 2024

Funding Source/Donor: Front Line Defenders

Eligibility of Entities to Apply:

- Nominations for individual human rights defenders (HRDs), collectives, organizations, or communities working on any human rights issue.
- Nominees should be those not typically recognized at the international level and for whom the Award does not present additional risk.
- Individual nominees should not hold prominent roles in political parties and must be actively engaged in human rights work.
- The award is not meant to recognize historical contributions or posthumous work.
- Nominees should not have previously received high-profile international recognition.
- Active HRDs, including those in exile who are still at risk, are eligible.
- Self-nominations are not permitted.

Areas to be Covered/Thematic Focus: Human rights issues globally, focusing on HRDs at significant risk due to their work or those operating in insecure environments.

Funding Details:

- A modest financial prize.
- A security grant to improve security measures.
- Media collaboration with Front Line Defenders.
- Advocacy related to the Award and the work of the winners.
- Attendance at the award ceremony in Dublin (Global Laureates).
- Ongoing security consultation with Front Line Defenders.

For More Details: To nominate and for more information about the award, visit the [Front Line Defenders Award page](#).

Title of the Call: Unity for Humanity Grant - Call for Real-time 3D Projects

Deadline: January 5th, 2024

Funding Source/Donor: Unity

Eligibility of Entities to Apply:

- Grants are for the development or expansion of real-time 3D impact projects.
- Applicants must be able to submit an annual form to confirm fund usage.
- Individuals and entities from sanctioned countries and regions, including the Crimea Region of Ukraine, Cuba, Iran, North Korea, Sudan, and Syria, are ineligible.
- All applications and accompanying materials must be submitted in English.

Areas to be Covered/Thematic Focus:

- Projects should be impact-driven and created using any real-time 3D platform (Unity, Unreal, Quill, etc.).
- The focus should be on supporting any of the UN Sustainable Development Goals.
- Projects should be charitable in nature and affiliated with a nonprofit organization.
- They must be beyond the conceptual stage, with a prototype or demo available.

Funding Details:

- A total of \$500,000 USD is available for awards.
- This includes a specific grant for a project that promotes holistic health for youth, aligning with Jewel's Inspiring Children Foundation.
- Projects that promote hate, violence, bullying, harassment, threats, or contain illegal content are not eligible for funding.

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

Title of the Call: Call for Proposals: Knowledge and Innovation for Inclusive Early Learning and School Readiness

Deadline: January 15th, 2024

Funding Source/Donor: The International Development Research Centre (IDRC) and the Global Partnership for Education (GPE)

Eligibility of Entities to Apply:

- Proposals must be submitted by nationally or internationally registered or incorporated organizations.
- Applicants must have independent legal status, capable of contracting, receiving, and administering funds.
- Proposals may be submitted by individual organizations or consortia.
- KIX prioritizes funding for organizations based in low- and middle-income countries (LMICs).
- Ineligible entities include individuals, government ministries and agencies (though they can be involved in projects), and for-profit providers of core education services.

Areas to be Covered/Thematic Focus:

- Generating knowledge and evidence on scaling innovative approaches for inclusive early learning and school readiness.

- Strengthening capacities of stakeholders to use knowledge and innovation effectively.
- Mobilizing knowledge and evidence to influence education system policies and practices.
- Focused research on inclusive early learning pedagogy and smooth transitions from Early Childhood Care and Education (ECCE) to primary school.

Funding Details:

- Single-country grants: CA\$ 300,000–500,000, duration up to 24 months.
- Multi-country grants: CA\$ 800,000–1,250,000, duration up to 33 months.
- Regional/global grants: Up to CA\$ 2,000,000, duration up to 33 months.
- Total allocation up to CAD \$10 million for the entire call.

For More Details: and to apply, please visit the [International Development Research Centre](#)

Title of the Call: WIN WIN Gothenburg Sustainability Award

Deadline: January 15th, 2024

Funding Source/Donor: Gothenburg Sustainability Award

Eligibility of Entities to Apply:

- The award is open to any organization, movement, business, group of people, or individual.
- Nominees should have efforts that result in substantial change and contribute to a more sustainable future, environmental or social needs.
- Winners are appointed by independent juries.

Areas to be Covered/Thematic Focus:

- The 2024 theme is "Inclusive Transitions."
- The award focuses on recognizing and supporting remarkable contributions towards achieving inclusive transitions in sustainability.
- Nominees are expected to have instigated changes that serve as an inspiration and highlight essential steps towards sustainable and equitable futures.

Funding Details:

- The award totals 1 million SEK.
- Presented annually in Gothenburg, Sweden.

For More Details: and the nomination process, please visit the [WIN WIN Award](#)

Title of the Call: KIX Call for Proposals: Teacher Professional Development, Agency & Well-Being

Deadline: January 15th, 2024

Funding Source/Donor: The International Development Research Centre (IDRC) and the Global Partnership for Education (GPE)

Eligibility of Entities to Apply:

- Proposals accepted from registered organizations with legal personality.
- Capable of directing project activities and demonstrating legal status.
- Single organizations or consortia of up to three organizations may apply.
- Priority for funding given to organizations based in low- and middle-income countries (LMICs).
- Single-country grants for eligible national organizations.
- Multi-country grants for organizations based in LMICs.
- Regional/global grants open to any eligible organization.
- Ineligible entities include individuals, government ministries and agencies, and for-profit providers of core education services.

Areas to be Covered/Thematic Focus:

- Generating evidence to scale the impact of innovative approaches for teacher development.
- Strengthening stakeholders' capacities to use knowledge and innovation.
- Mobilizing evidence to enhance policy and practice in education systems.
- Research sub-themes include improving teacher education and development and supporting teacher agency and well-being.

Funding Details:

- KIX allocates up to CAD \$10.5 million for the call.
- Three types of grants: Single-country, Multi-country, and Regional/global.
- Funding ranges from CA\$ 300,000 to 2,000,000, with durations up to 33 months

For More Details: and to apply, visit [International Development Research Centre](#)

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](#)

Previously Announced Funding Opportunities

Title of the Call: Spencer Foundation Small Research Grants Program on Education

Deadline: December 6th, 2023

Funding Source: Spencer Foundation

Purpose: The Spencer Foundation is excited to present the Small Research Grants Program, aiming to support education-related research projects. This program is designed to foster rigorous, intellectually ambitious, and technically sound research, addressing the most critical questions and compelling opportunities in education.

Funding Information: The Small Research Grants on Education Program is open to research projects with budgets up to \$50,000, lasting from one to five years. Additionally, eligible investigators may request supplemental funds for a course release. The program accepts applications three times annually.

Eligibility Criteria:

- The proposed research projects must focus on academic research concerning education.
- Proposals for activities other than research (e.g., program evaluations, professional development, curriculum development, scholarships, capital projects) are not eligible.
- Principal Investigators (PIs) and Co-PIs applying for these grants should hold an earned doctorate in an academic discipline or possess relevant experience in an education research-related field. While graduate students can be part of the research team, they cannot be designated as the PI or Co-PI on the proposal.

- The PI must be affiliated with a non-profit organization or a public/governmental institution willing to serve as the administering organization if the grant is awarded. The Spencer Foundation does not provide grants directly to individuals.
- Proposals may be submitted from the U.S. or internationally but must be presented in English and propose budgets in U.S. Dollars.

Ineligibility:

- Proposed budgets must not exceed \$50,000 and cannot include indirect cost charges as per Spencer's policy.
- The duration of proposed projects must not exceed five years.
- You may hold only one active research grant from the Spencer Foundation at a time. Organizations, however, may submit multiple proposals if they are for different projects and have different research teams.
- You are restricted to submitting only one research proposal to the Spencer Foundation at a time, across various programs. Individuals with pending proposals must wait for a decision before submitting new proposals.

For More Details: visit [Spencer Foundation](#).

Title of the call: Prince Talal International Prize for Human Development

Deadline: December 15, 2023

Funding source/donor: Arab Gulf Programme for Development (AGFUND)

Eligibility of entities to apply:

- Projects implemented in developing countries to achieve targets of the specified sustainable development goal.
- Nominations can come from UN organizations, regional, international, and national NGOs, government agencies, public institutions, universities, research centers, syndicates, and field experts.
- Nominators cannot nominate projects they were involved in implementing or funding.
- For-profit projects are ineligible.
- Projects must either be completed and evaluated, or ongoing with a completed and evaluated phase.

Areas to be covered/thematic: Projects that promote human development, addressing poverty, marginalization, and socio-economic exclusion, especially for women and children. The Prize themes focus on various fields of human development and Sustainable Development Goals, including No Poverty, Zero Hunger, Good Health, Quality Education, Gender Equality, etc.

Funding Information:

- Total Prize amount: US\$ 1,000,000
- Divided into four categories:
 - First category (US\$ 400,000): Projects by UN agencies or international/regional NGOs.

- Second category (US\$ 300,000): Projects by national NGOs.
- Third category (US\$ 200,000): Projects by governmental bodies or social business enterprises.
- Fourth category (US\$ 100,000): Projects initiated, funded, and/or implemented by individuals.

Geographic Focus: Developing countries.

For More Details: To apply, read more on the [Arab Gulf Programme for Development \(AGFUND\)](#).

Title: ITTF Foundation's Dream Building Fund

Deadline: December 17th 2023

Funding Source/Donor: International Table Tennis Federation (ITTF) Foundation and The Foundation for Global Sports Development (GSD)

Objective: The ITTF Foundation, in partnership with The Foundation for Global Sports Development, is seeking applications for the Dream Building Fund. The program is designed to empower change-makers who are addressing critical societal issues in their communities through projects that align with the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), particularly through the medium of table tennis.

Funding Information:

- The program offers grants ranging from EUR 10,000 to 35,000 for individual projects.
- Five projects will be funded starting in May 2024, as part of the fourth cycle of the Dream Building Fund.
- The duration of support spans 2 to 3 years.
- Communication with the successful applicants will be conducted in English throughout the project lifecycle.

Benefits for Successful Applicants:

- Support to bring positive changes to the community using table tennis.
- Knowledge and guidance to implement and sustain the project.
- Promotion through ITTF Foundation's communication channels.
- Access to a global network, resources, and support, including visibility, equipment, and assistance in monitoring, evaluation, and reporting impact.

Eligibility Criteria:

- Open to non-profit, table tennis, sports, or social organizations that are legally established and recognized locally.
- Projects must contribute to a social/humanitarian impact goal related to a UN SDG, emphasizing diversity or inclusion.
- Table tennis must be used as an instrument for change.
- Applicants must have a detailed activity plan and clear needs for support.
- There must be a contact person fluent in English with internet access.

- The organization must be capable of providing regular reports in English.
- Promotion of the project on the organization's website and social media is required.
- Willingness to collaborate with ITTF Foundation for storytelling purposes, sharing media content, and participant experiences.
- Compliance with data protection laws and obtaining consent for sharing information is mandatory.
- A letter of support from another organization is required.
- Applicants must show the ability to fund at least 10% of the total project cost, with more substantial contributions indicating sustainability.
- Applications must be submitted by the deadline.

What They Do Not Fund:

- The ITTF Foundation does not provide direct support to individuals; funds must be channeled through a supporting organization.
- Projects that do not utilize table tennis as a tool for societal change.
- Organizations that are not able to comply with the reporting and communication requirements in English.
- Projects without a clear link to a UN SDG or that do not promote diversity and inclusion.

For More Details: Interested applicants should visit the ITTF Foundation's website for complete details on the application process, guidelines, and additional support provided by the [ITTF Foundation](#).

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

Deadline: March 31st, 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: 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.

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](#)

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. 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](#).