



Women's Peace & Humanitarian Fund

A United Nations & Civil Society Partnership



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Call for Proposals on **Climate Security Response** in The Pacific region
(Fiji, Solomon Islands, Tonga, Tuvalu and Vanuatu)

Agenda

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Part Three – Q&A



About WPHF



- Established in 2016
- WPHF is a pooled funding mechanism and partnership between UN agencies, member states and civil society organizations.
- It is a global partnership that aims to re-energize action and stimulate funding for women's participation, leadership and empowerment.
- WPHF supports and enhances the capacity of local women led and women's rights organizations to prevent conflict and sexual and gender-based violence, respond to crises and emergencies, and seize key peacebuilding opportunities
- Provides grants ranging from USD 2,500 to USD 200,000 for a max of 24 months.

WPHF Functions

- **Breaking silos between humanitarian, peace, security and development finance** by investing in enhancing women's engagement, leadership and empowerment across all phases of the crisis, peace and security, and development continuum.
- **Addressing structural funding gaps for women's participation** in key phases of the crisis, peace and security, and development continuum by improving the timeliness, predictability and flexibility of international assistance.
- **Improving policy coherence and coordination** by complementing existing financing instruments and promoting synergies across all actors: multi-lateral and bilateral entities, national governments' women's machineries; and local civil society organizations.



WPHF Key Numbers (Since 2016)

Countries Active

44

Total Funds Mobilized

\$ 184.8 million

Approved grants

733

CSOs Supported

1215

90% women's rights/led
5% youth focused/led

First-time UN-funded CSOs

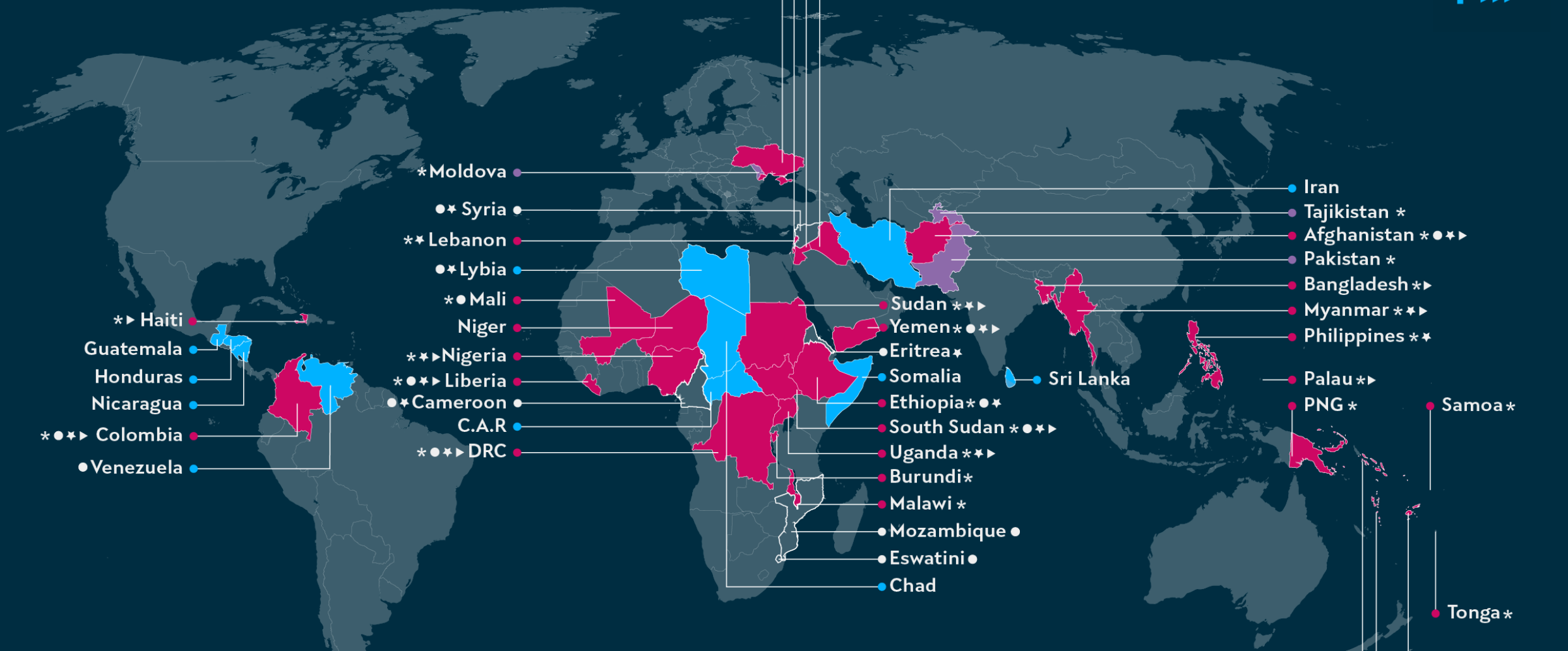
46.1%

Direct Beneficiaries (cumulative)

4.5 M (74% women & girls)

Indirect Beneficiaries

31 M



- Ukraine **
- Palestine *●▶
- Jordan *▶
- Iraq *
- *Moldova ●
- * Syria ●
- ** Lebanon ●
- * Libya ●
- *● Mali ●
- Niger ●
- **▶ Nigeria ●
- *●▶ Liberia ●
- * Cameroon ●
- C.A.R ●
- *●▶ DRC ●
- *▶ Haiti ●
- Guatemala ●
- Honduras ●
- Nicaragua ●
- *●▶ Colombia ●
- Venezuela ●
- Sudan **▶
- Yemen *●▶
- Eritrea *
- Somalia ●
- Ethiopia *●*
- South Sudan *●▶
- Uganda **▶
- Burundi *
- Malawi *
- Mozambique ●
- Eswatini ●
- Chad ●
- Iran ●
- Tajikistan *
- Afghanistan *●▶
- Pakistan *
- Bangladesh **▶
- Myanmar **▶
- Philippines **
- Sri Lanka ●
- Palau *▶
- PNG *
- Samoa *
- *▶ Solomon Islands ●
- *▶ Vanuatu ●
- Fiji *▶
- Tonga *

■ Active Countries
■ Reserve List Countries
■ Active through Regional Response
* Regular Funding Cycle
● Rapid Response Window
★ Women Human Rights Defenders Window
▶ Covid-19 Window

WPHF Governance

- Global Funding Board:
 - 4 donor Member States
(currently Germany, the United States, Austria and the United Kingdom)
 - 4 UN Entities
(currently UNFPA, UNHCR, UN Women and PBSO)
 - 4 Civil Society Organizations
(currently Kvinna till Kvinna, the Feminist Humanitarian Network, She's the First and Reach Out Cameroon)
- National Steering Committees (NSCs)
- Management Entity for CSOs (UN Country Offices)
- WPHF Global Secretariat



WPHF RESULTS FRAMEWORK



Contribute to more peaceful and gender equal societies



Impact Area 1: Enabling Environment for WPS

Enhanced role of civil society organizations in advocating for and ensuring accountability on WPS commitments



Impact Area 2: Conflict Prevention

Increased meaningful participation and decision-making of women in conflict prevention processes and response



Impact Area 3: Humanitarian & Crisis Response

Enhanced participation and leadership of women in humanitarian crisis planning and response



Impact Area 4: Conflict Resolution

Increased representation and leadership of women in formal and informal peace processes and/or implementation of peace agreements



Impact Area 5: Protection of Women & Girls

Enhanced safety, security and mental health of women and girls' and their human rights respected



Impact Area 6: Peacebuilding & Recovery

Improved socio-economic recovery and political participation of women and girls in peacebuilding contexts

Institutional Funding

Global Learning & Building Coalitions

WPHF significantly contributes to local civil society organizations' increased participation in women peace and security and humanitarian processes



WPHF's Funding Mechanisms



1

Regular Funding Cycle

WPHF's **largest funding mechanism**, the Regular Funding Cycle, supports **local women's civil society organizations** by funding:

- Their **programmatic** work on women, peace and security and humanitarian action (max. USD 200,000), and
- Their organizations, through flexible **institutional** funding (max. USD 30,000)

Organizations can apply via country-based, time-bound Calls for Proposals.

MORE INFO:



<https://wphfund.org/calls-for-proposals/>

2

Rapid Response Window for Women and Peace Processes

The Rapid Response Window (RRW) supports **women peacebuilders and women's rights civil society organizations** to enhance women's meaningful participation/influence in **formal peace processes** (Track 1 & 2) and the implementation of **peace agreements**, through:

- **Direct** logistical and/or technical **support** to individuals and CSOs (max. USD 25,000), and
- Small, **short-term grants** to CSOs for strategic and urgent interventions (max. USD 100,000)

Women peacebuilders and Women's rights CSOs can apply via a global application process on a rolling basis.

MORE INFO:



<https://wphfund.org/rrw/org/rrw/>

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Window for Women Human Rights Defenders

The WPHF Funding Window for Women Human Rights Defenders supports **individuals** from/working in crisis and conflict affected countries who work for the promotion of human rights and inclusive peace, via:

- Advocacy Support (Direct **logistical support**) to **influence** decision-making events. and
- Safety Net (Flexible **funding**) to cover **urgent safety and security** needs of at risk WHRDs (max. USD 10,000)

WHRDs - individual & delegations - can apply via a global application process on a rolling basis.

MORE INFO:

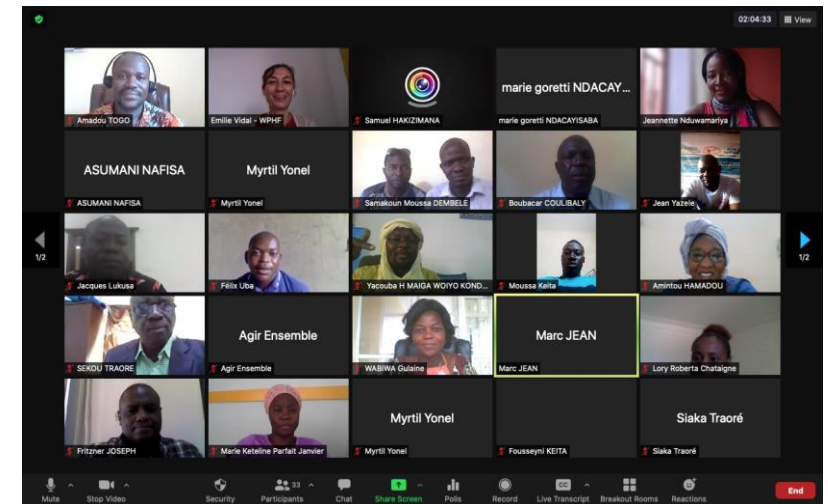


<https://wphfund.org/whrds/>

WPHF Global Learning Hub (L-HUB)

Building Community, Capacity & Knowledge Exchange for our Partners

- **Global Learning Hub (L-HUB)** established in April 2020 to support WPHF CSO partners at the local level working at the forefront of conflict and crisis.
- **Objectives:** to enable CSO partners from across the world to connect, strengthen their networks, share best practices, and develop their skills and capacity.
- **Key Initiatives:** the **Capacity Building Programme**, the **Peer Exchange Series**, the **Facebook Group** and **email monthly updates**.
- **Channels:** digital repository of resources, email list and email monthly updates, and safe Facebook Group.



WPHF in the Pacific

- Active since 2017
- Total investment: \$2.7 million USD

15 projects, implemented by **13 local women's rights civil society organizations** in **Fiji, Palau, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Tonga, and Vanuatu.**

1. First Call for Proposals (2017):

- Humanitarian & Crisis Response + Protection of Women and Girls (Impact 3 & 5)
- 4 projects

2. Second Call for Proposals (2018):

- Humanitarian & Crisis Response + Protection of Women and Girls (Impact 3 & 5)
- 4 projects

3. COVID-19 Emergency Response Window (2020)

- Humanitarian & Crisis Response (Impact 3)
- 4 projects

4. Third Call for Proposals (2021):

- Humanitarian & Crisis Response (Impact 3)
- 3 projects

5. Fourth Call for Proposals – Climate Security (2024):

- Conflict Prevention and Peacebuilding (Impacts 2 & 6) + Institutional Funding in Climate security & justice efforts



WPHF's Work on Climate Security:

New Call for Proposals in the Pacific

Objectives and Purpose of the Call for Proposals

The overall purpose of this call for proposals is to provide grants to local civil society organizations in the Pacific region (Fiji, Solomon Islands, Tonga, Tuvalu and Vanuatu), focused on responses related to women's participation and leadership in the prevention of climate-related conflicts and injustice as well as in economic and political decision-making of women in climate security and climate justice.

The call for proposals specifically contributes to WPHF's overall goal of contributing to **peaceful and gender equal societies**.

The Pacific Region (Fiji, Solomon Islands, Tonga, Tuvalu and Vanuatu): Climate change and natural disasters represent a growing threat to peace and security in the region. Chronic cyclones and droughts, rising sea levels, increasingly warmer weather and changing rainfall patterns are leading to growing food insecurity, scarcity of resources, and climate-induced population displacement, putting additional pressure on already economically weak communities.

Scope & Eligibility

Location and Duration:

- The WPHF will fund qualifying projects in **Fiji, Solomon Islands, Tonga, Tuvalu and Vanuatu.**
- Multi-country projects, or projects outside the geographical focus will NOT be accepted.
- CSOs can apply for a project duration of maximum 2 years (24 months)

Eligibility:

1. Who can apply and receive funding?

National, regional or local/grassroots:

- Women's Rights or Feminist Organisation
- Women-led or young-women led organization: must be headed by a woman as director/head/board chair of organization
- Youth Focused Organisation

Scope & Eligibility (cont.)

Please note: The following are NOT eligible to apply for a grant from the WPHF:

- International non-governmental organizations;
- Government agencies or institutions;
- UN agencies or UN Country Teams;
- Private individuals;
- Private sector entities;
- Universities, Think Tanks or Education or Research Institutions

2. Do we need to be legally registered as an organization in our country to apply?

YES, for the lead applicant. The lead applicant organization must have legal status with the competent national authority in the eligible country of project implementation and must submit proof of legal registration with the application package.

Application

3. Can we apply in partnership or consortium with other organizations?

YES. Joint projects with other local women's rights, youth focused, or women or young women led civil society organizations are encouraged. Joint projects in partnership with other local women's rights, young women-led, and civil society organizations which are led by marginalized groups including those who are forcibly displaced, living with disabilities, indigenous, and with diverse SOGIESC (sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression and sex characteristics), among others, are also encouraged.

4. May we apply for funding for an ongoing or existing initiative or project?

YES. The WPHF accepts proposals for ongoing projects funded by other donors. However, the specific value added of the contribution should be clearly outlined.

5. Does my organization have to contribute to the project budget?

NO. Civil society organizations are not required to contribute to the budget.

Types of Funding available

Under this call for proposals, WPHF is accepting applications for both institutional/core funding and programmatic funding. An organization (lead applicant or co-implementing partners) can submit one application for institutional funding, AND/OR one application for programmatic funding.

Please note: Organizations who apply for both institutional and programmatic funding need to submit two separate applications packages based on the related templates of each stream.

1. Institutional Funding: (USD \$2,500 - \$30,000)

Aims to reinforce the institutional capacity of women's rights/led organizations working on climate security and climate justice issues in peace and security and humanitarian contexts, to ensure they are able to sustain themselves and to improve their impact.

2. Programmatic Funding: (USD \$30,000 - \$200,000)

This funding stream will finance projects which aim specifically to fund programmatic activities aligned with the following impact area(s):

- **WPHF Impact area 2:** Increased meaningful participation and decision-making of women in conflict prevention processes **related to climate insecurity and injustice.**
- **WPHF Impact area 6:** Improved socio-economic recovery and political participation of women and young women in peacebuilding contexts in **climate security and justice efforts.**

Key Points to Keep in Mind: After the application



➤ What to expect in the selection process?

- **Longlisting and Shortlisting.** The first stage of selection will determine if your application meets the minimum criteria. Applicants who meet the minimum requirements will proceed to next stage of technical review.
- **Selection by the National Steering Committee (NSC).** All shortlisted applicants are presented to the NSC who will review and endorse the selected applicants. The selected applicants will be notified of the selection as partners.
- **Risk Assessment of the applicants.** UN Women will conduct financial and technical assessments of selected applicants.
- **Finalization of the proposal and budget.** Parallel to risk assessment, UN Women will work with selected applicants to finalize their workplan and budget.
- **Entering into a partnership agreement.** Once the workplan and budget are cleared, a partnership agreement will be entered between the partner and UN Women.

Key Points to Keep in Mind: After the application (cont.)

- Only selected CSOs for funding will be contacted directly by email by the UN country Management Entity of the WPHF (UN Women).
- Please note that this process can take up to 4-5 months after the closure of the call for proposals.
- We encourage you to visit <https://wphfund.org/calls-for-proposals/> for future funding opportunities.

➤ Useful Resources

- The WPHF's website www.wphfund.org
- [Impact and Indicator Tip Sheet Institutional Funding](#)
- [Impact and Indicator Tip Sheet Climate Security Initiative](#)
- [Results Based Management Capacity Building Webinar](#)

WPHF Climate Security Call for Proposals – Pacific

Where can I access all information related to this Call for Proposals?

<https://wphfund.org/call-for-proposals-on-climate-security-in-the-pacific/>

Key documents:

- **Call for Proposals**
- **Proposal templates (Impact area 2 & 6 + Institutional funding)**
- **Indicator tipsheets (Institutional Funding + Climate Security)**

Summary: Key Points to Keep in Mind



- **What is the geographic scope?**
 - **Pacific:** Fiji, Solomon Islands, Tonga, Tuvalu and Vanuatu (English proposals)
- **What types of CSOs can apply?** National, regional or local women's rights, women-led, youth-focused, young women-led and organizations working on gender equality.
- **What about consortiums/partnerships?** WPHF encourages partnerships between organizations. One CSO will apply as a lead, while others will be co-implementing partners.
- **What about legal registration?** Only the lead application needs to have a registration certificate. Co-implementing partners do not require to be registered.
- **What is the budget?**
 - **Programmatic:** Maximum of 200,000 USD. CSOs are not required to contribute.
 - **Institutional:** Maximum of 30,000 USD. CSOs are not required to contribute

Summary: Key Points to Keep in Mind (cont.)

WPHF's Impact Area 2 – Conflict Prevention:



▶ Increased meaningful participation and decision-making of women in conflict prevention processes and response

WPHF's Impact Area 6 – Peacebuilding & Recovery:



▶ Improved socio-economic recovery and political participation of women and young women in peacebuilding contexts

Through:

- ▶ **Programmatic** funding, with grants ranging from **USD 30,000 to 200,000**.
- ▶ **Institutional** funding, with grants ranging from **USD 2,500 to 30,000**.

Key Information:

- ▶ Deadline for submitting applications:

24 May 2024

- ▶ **Application package MUST include:**

- WPHF proposal template
- Proof of valid legal registration or status of lead organization

- ▶ Send application package to:
WPHFAPPLICATIONS@UNWOMEN.ORG

- ▶ Questions about this CfP:

- ▶ **Pacific:** lanieta.tokalauvere@unwomen.org

FAQ



Thank You!



Examples of how to design a project based on the communities' needs and in response to climate insecurity:

- *ESTABLISHING AND TRAINING WOMEN CCA RANGERS TO MONITOR COMMUNITY CONSERVATION AREAS*
- *ENSURING WOMEN ARE INCLUDED DURING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF COMMUNITY DISASTER CLIMATE CHANGE COMMITTEES (CDCCCS) IN EACH OF THE 42 VILLAGE COMMUNITIES*