

United Nations Women's Peace and Humanitarian Fund

Questions & Answers

Call for Proposal Pacific region

Below is a collection of questions and answers that have been asked during the public information session hosted by the UN Women Fiji Multi-country Office, alongside the United Nations Women's Peace and Humanitarian Fund (WPHF) on 23 April 2024, on the [Call for Proposals in the Pacific](#). The purpose of the Call for Proposals is to support civil society organizations in the Pacific region (Fiji, Solomon Islands, Tonga, Tuvalu and Vanuatu) working to increase the meaningful participation and decision-making of women in conflict prevention processes and peacebuilding and economic recovery efforts in the context of climate security.

▶ **Q: Who is eligible to apply for this Call for Proposals?**

A: National, regional or local/grassroots women or young women led, women's rights, youth rights, feminist, or civil society organizations with a proven track record working with women, young women and girls, are eligible to apply. Organizations who are led by women who face multiple and intersecting forms of discriminations are particularly encouraged to apply, including displaced persons, persons living with disabilities, ethnic minorities, etc.

▶ **Q: What are the different types of CSOs that can apply for funding?**

A: The types of CSOs are defined as follows:

- **Women's Rights or Feminist Organization:** The organization's must have gender equality and women's rights at the core of their official mission/vision statement. The organization's experience should clearly reflect addressing multiple/intersecting forms of discrimination and advancing gender equality and women's rights and aim to address the underlying drivers/systems/structures, including patriarchy and gendered power dynamics, and work to transform these.
- **Women-Led Organization:** must be headed by a woman as the director/head of the organization/head of the board.
- **Youth Focused Organization:** To be considered "youth focused", the organization's core mission/vision must focus on supporting the social, economic and political participation of young women and young men and addressing multiple/ intersecting forms of discrimination against young women and men. WPHF will provide specific attention to youth focused organizations supporting young women, advancing gender equality and peacebuilding.
- **Young Women Led Organization:** must be headed by a young person aged between 18 - 29 years old who serves as director/head of organization.

▶ **Q: Can an INGO that is locally registered apply for funding?**

A: No – INGOs cannot apply as lead implementing partners. National, regional or local/grassroots civil society organizations are eligible to apply. INGOs may be included in a consortium for the programmatic funding stream, as long as the lead applicant is a national, regional or local/grassroots civil society organizations.

- ▶ **Q: Can you apply for both programmatic and institutional funding?**
A: Yes. An organization (lead applicant or co-implementing partners) can submit one application for institutional funding and one application for programmatic funding. Organizations who apply for both institutional and programmatic funding need to submit two separate applications packages based on the related templates of each funding stream.
- ▶ **Q: When applying for both institutional and programmatic funding, can both applications be sent in one email?**
A: It is recommended to send a separate email for each application along with the respective package including 1) the proposal template and 2) proof of legal registration.
- ▶ **Q: Do organizations need to be legally registered?**
A: The lead applicant organization must have legal status and must submit proof of legal registration with the application package. Note that articles of incorporation are not proof of legal status. Co-implementing partners are not required to provide legal registration.
- ▶ **Q: Is there a qualifying age limit for an organization to apply for institutional or programmatic funding?**
A: No, there is no minimum time period that organizations must be established for.
- ▶ **Q: What is the percentage cap of personnel, administrative, and programme cost for programmatic funding?**
A: Please note there is not a specific percentage outlined within the above areas, but take into consideration nature and scale of interventions, geography, and partnerships to determine realistic human resource and administrative cost. Only fill out the budget in Annex B in the proposal template, and please make sure to not make any changes to the UNDG budget categories. Also, make sure that the indirect support costs (budget category 8) **do not exceed 7.0% of the subtotal** (sum of budget categories 1-7). A more detailed budget may be requested at a later stage.
- ▶ **Q: Are multi-country project proposals accepted?**
A: The WPHF will fund qualifying projects in Fiji, Solomon Islands, Tonga, Tuvalu and Vanuatu in the Pacific region. Multi-country projects, or projects outside the geographical focus will NOT be accepted.
- ▶ **Q: Are current grantees eligible to apply and can the new project proposal be similar to the one currently being implemented?**
A: Current grantees can apply for funding through this new Call for Proposals as long as their current project ends before the new one starts (if selected). Current grantees receiving programmatic funding can apply for institutional funding regardless of the end date of their current project. Current grantees receiving institutional funding can apply for programmatic funding regardless of the end date of their current project. The new project proposal may be based on the current one, as long as it builds on current results and shows a clear progression/need for activities to continue.

- ▶ **Q: Can an organization apply for programmatic funding under both impact area 2 and impact area 6?**

A: No. An organization (or a consortium) can only submit one application for only one of the two programmatic impact areas – impact area 2 OR impact area 6. Organizations that submit proposals for programmatic funding under both impact areas - impact area 2 and impact area 6 - will not be evaluated.

- ▶ **Q: Could you provide more details on the indicators that align with WPHF's objectives as part of this Call for Proposals?**

A: Please consult [Institutional Funding Tip sheet](#) for relevant indicators and examples aligned with institutional funding. Please consult the [Climate Security Tip Sheet](#) for relevant indicators and examples aligned with Programmatic Funding.

- ▶ **Q: How long is the selection process?**

A: Please note the selection process can take up to 4-5 months after the closure of the call for proposals. Detailed steps on the process are provided in Section 9 of the [Call for Proposals Document](#). Please note only selected organizations will be contacted.

General information:

- ▶ **Q: Where can we download the application templates?**

A: The proposal can be downloaded here: <https://wphfund.org/call-for-proposals-on-climate-security-in-the-pacific/>

- ▶ **What are the documents required to be submitted in the application?**

A: The application package **MUST** include:

- ✓ WPHF proposal template (institutional and/or programmatic)
- ✓ Proof of valid legal registration or status of lead organization (applications that do not include proof of legal registration will not be considered).

Please send your application package to: WPHFAPPLICATIONS@UNWOMEN.ORG by **24 May 2024**.

For questions about the call for proposals you can contact:

- ▶ Questions about this CfP can be sent to lanieta.tokalauvere@unwomen.org no later than 20th May 2024. Please allow a minimum of 48 hours for responses to any questions.