GEF SMALL GRANTS PROGRAM
2022 CALL FOR PROPOSALS

Introduction

GEF Small Grants Program was launched by the Global Environment Facility through United Nations Development Program to assist developing countries in fulfilling their commitment of protection of the global environment through local actions.

SGP is sourced with the belief that global environment problems can be addressed effectively if local people are involved in decision-making at all levels within projects and have control over resources. It demonstrated that with a small amount of funding, communities at the grassroots level can make a significant difference in their livelihoods and the environment.

Partnerships

The GEF Small Grants Program (GEF-SGP) is pleased to launch this call for proposal in partnership with the Papua New Guinea Biodiversity and Climate Fund, a newly-formed national institution with the mission to catalyze financial and technical resources to enable present and future generations of Papua New Guineans to restore, protect, and enhance the country’s biodiversity and build resilience in the face of climate change.

The GEF-SGP aims to support the Biodiversity and Climate Fund achieve its mission, by aligning its granting program around the Fund’s five programmatic themes below.

Call for Proposals

Grants under 6th operational phase (OP6) of the GEF are now available. SGP invites registered civil society organizations to submit their Full Proposals for consideration of a grant award. The call is open from **Monday, 29 August through to Monday, 12 September 2022 at COB.**
Focal Areas for Proposals

Proposals should meet the criteria under the following GEF thematic areas of (1) Biodiversity Conservation, (2) Protection of International Water, (3) Prevention of Land Degradation and Sustainable Forest Management, (4) Climate Change and (5) phasing out use of persistent organic pollutants.

Criterion and extent of financial support:

Full Proposals are invited from registered national non-government organizations and local community-based organizations. The duration of projects proposed should not exceed Fourteen [14] months. SGP will consider grants up to USD$30,000. Where co-financing and long-term partnerships is available, higher budgets can be considered if projects can justify same. The criteria that will be used in assessing submissions will be based on;

• Promotion of innovative community-based initiatives to reduce local environment threats,
• Build local capacity to implement sustainable development strategies creating “local ownership and institutional capabilities”
• Demonstrate high replicability, co-financing and scaling up potential
• Foster public awareness on environmental issues as an integral part of the project
• Address livelihood, equality and gender concerns and sensitivities
• Involve women, marginalized populations and isolated communities as equal partners in programme implementation
• Create an impact, influence policies and partnership at the National, Provincial and local levels in the country,
• Generate local knowledge and involvement of communities in planning, flexibility, partnerships and transparency in their approach during implementation of activities in projects

Interested NGO’s and CBO’s may download the relevant guidance note and Full Proposal from the website following www.pg.undp.org. All submissions should be made using the Full Proposal template. Full Proposal submissions should accompany attachments as listed on the cover page of the full proposal. Due to an increased number of applications, SGP secretariat will NOT ACCEPT applications that do not use SGP template and those that do not attach the pre-requisite documents.

All submissions must have a cover letter and be addressed to:

The National Coordinator
GEF Small Grants Programme
United Nations Development Programme,
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And emailed to sgp.pg@undp.org. Enquiries can be made using same email address.