



AmplifyChange @ Women Deliver 2019 Opportunity Grant

About

In today's challenging global environment, women's rights activists face resistance in the pursuit of improving access to comprehensive sexual and reproductive health and rights (SRHR). AmplifyChange responds to these attempts to diminish the progress of SRHR by supporting advocates that build, strengthen, and sustain women-led SRHR movement building to promote resilience and collaboration across diverse and often difficult contexts.

We understand the difficulties that grassroots, women-led organisations face in securing funding, and part of our mandate is to provide grants to these groups directly to encourage women's and girls' leadership in advocacy.

As part of our participation at the Women Deliver conference in Vancouver, Canada, AmplifyChange will be offering **women-led, Southern-based** organisations the chance to present their proposals for an AmplifyChange @ Women Deliver 2019 Opportunity grant.

This Opportunity grant will fund projects that will **support movement building for SRHR**. We will support new ideas to sustain and scale up established movements or support the creation and growth of nascent movements. The movement building work should contribute to successful advocacy campaigns to advance SRHR.

A shortlist of five (5) finalists will be invited to pitch their ideas live in front of a panel of SRHR expert judges during the final day of the Women Deliver conference on 6 June 2019. We will review the proposals using similar criteria to what we normally use (including the relevance of the proposed project, the potential to make sustainable impact, and the organisational profile and capacity). Due to the nature of the event, we are looking for confident, passionate advocates who aren't afraid of public speaking.

What are we looking for?

AmplifyChange is looking to support women-led organisations who, as part of a wider existing or new movement, seek to advance sexual and reproductive health and rights. Outcomes should be focused on building stronger SRHR movements and working collaboratively to improve SRHR outcomes.

By movements, we use feminist scholar Srilatha Batliwala's definition:

"an organized set of people vested in making a change in their situation pursuing a common political agenda through collective action".

In this funding call, AmplifyChange will support movement building work that contributes to:

- Strengthening the capacity of civil society organisations to advocate for SRHR
- Strengthening the collective capacity of civil society organisations to ensure safety and security of human rights defenders
- Fostering collaboration and coordination among movement actors to develop a shared political agenda and plan and execute advocacy campaigns
- Increasing engagement of potential non-traditional SRHR allies across sectors and movements



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- Strengthening the leading pipeline for the movement by increasing the diversity of leadership from marginalised groups in the movement (such as people with disabilities, youth, minority ethnic groups, LGBTI, lower castes, refugees, etc.), and developing next generation leaders

We encourage applicants to review at our [Theory of Change](#) before applying.

We are seeking proposals to support movements that are focused on one or a realistic combination of AmplifyChange's five key themes. These are:

- Addressing gender-based violence, including sexual violence and female genital mutilation (FGM);
- Addressing the causes of unsafe abortion including decriminalisation of abortion;
- Challenging stigma and discrimination, attitudes and laws that undermine human rights, including on grounds of gender or sexual orientation of lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and intersex (LGBTI) individuals;
- Improving sexual health of young people and girls, including comprehensive sexuality education (CSE) and addressing child and early forced marriage (CEFM);
- Increasing access to comprehensive reproductive health services for poor, vulnerable and marginalised people.

Please note that whilst we will consider projects that support all five themes, if more applications are recommended for funding by our application reviewers than we can fund, we will moderate in favour of projects that fulfil our fund benchmarks and results framework.

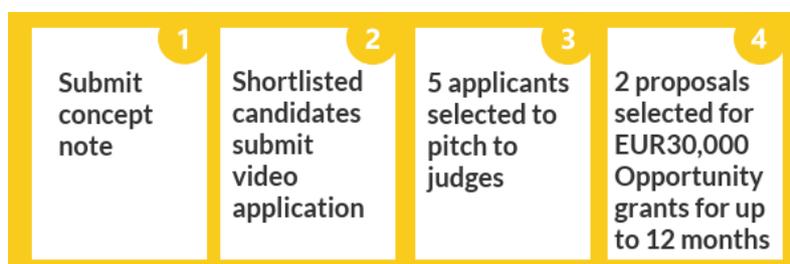
What's on offer?

AmplifyChange will select the top two (2) proposals for Opportunity grants of EUR30,000 for projects lasting up to 12 months.

Please note: All selected grants will be subject to a review of any financial and technical issues related to your application. Award of the grant will be dependent on due diligence checks on your organisation.

Once the due diligence checks have been completed, the successful applicants will be invited to sign a funding agreement with AmplifyChange.

How to Apply



You will need to submit a **concept note** containing short description of your project proposal and organisational information to determine eligibility for the call on our online system from 12 February 2019 to **5 March 2019 (5:00pm/17:00 UK time)**.

Up to 20 shortlisted candidates will be notified by the 5 April 2019. Shortlisted candidates will then need to submit a **3- to 5-minute video** presenting your ideas and introducing your movement by the **22 April 2019 (5:00pm/17:00 UK time)**. Applicants will be expected to



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collect testimony from other members of the movement to support the video application. Please note that any video footage longer than 5 minutes will not be reviewed, and any videos received after 5:00pm/17:00 UK time will not be accepted.

From the video submissions, five (5) candidates will be invited by 13 May 2019 to give their **3- to 5-minute pitch** on the 6 June 2019 to our panel of judges and a large audience at the Women Deliver conference. Judges will provide feedback on each concept and presentation at the event.

Concept notes, video applications and live pitches by the shortlisted candidates will be accepted in both English and French.

You will need to be registered to attend the Women Deliver conference in Vancouver, Canada and able to present your ideas in person in front of a large audience. Unfortunately, we **cannot cover registration or travel costs for the event.**

To find out more about the Women Deliver conference, please follow this link:
<https://wd2019.org/>

Who can apply?

We will consider applications from **women-led civil society organisations (CSOs)** working in all countries that are eligible for the AmplifyChange @ Women Deliver 2019 Opportunity grant.

AmplifyChange defines “women-led” as any organisation whose senior leadership at both board and staff levels is comprised of more than 50% women. The Executive Director or equivalent must be a woman. Our definition of a woman is anyone who identifies as a woman and is inclusive of cisgender, transgender, gender non-conforming and non-binary people.

Organisations must have a representative(s) attending Women Deliver.

For more detailed eligibility criteria please see a link to our full guidance [here](#).

The countries* highlighted in yellow are eligible from the map below:



*including the Occupied Palestinian Territories



CSOs can include:

- Community groups
- Non-governmental organisations
- Indigenous groups
- Charitable organisations
- Faith-based organisations
- Research institutes
- Social enterprise groups
- Public-private partnerships
- Communications and media groups
- Professional and student associations

International Non-Governmental Organisations (INGOs), including country offices, and UN agencies are not eligible to apply for Opportunity grants. We cannot accept applications made on behalf of individuals.

We will accept applications from organisations that are not registered and do not have a bank account because we recognise that some organisations are still new, and, in some contexts, there are security risks associated with registration. But please note that unregistered organisations that have applications successfully recommended for funding may need to fulfil certain registration requirements following due diligence and financial assessments.