

Strengthening grant

We are currently offering Strengthening grant renewals to invited grantees only. You will be contacted by AmplifyChange if you are eligible with a letter of invitation to apply.

If you applied for a Strengthening grant in September 2019, please be aware that we are reviewing the applications we received and expect to inform applicants of our decision by the end of Q1 2020.

Strengthening grants are aimed at small to medium civil society organisations from the Global South. The grants are intended to do what their name suggests – to strengthen the quality and scale-up the work of small to medium sized organisations, partnerships and coalitions who are operating at a community, district or national level, to improve sexual and reproductive health and rights (SRHR).

Strengthening grants can also be used to support organisational development, enabling grantees to better implement projects that bring about change in one or more of the SRHR priority themes of AmplifyChange. Grants range from EUR40,000 – EUR100,000 each and are time-limited (usually up to 24 months).

Please see the specific eligibility criteria listed in the sections below for each Strengthening grant call.

Eligible countries

Afghanistan, Angola, Bangladesh, Benin, Bhutan, Botswana, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cameroon, Cape Verde, Central African Republic, Chad, Comoros, Congo, Republic Of, Congo, The Democratic Republic of the, Cote D'Ivoire, Djibouti, Equatorial Guinea, Eritrea, Eswatini, Ethiopia, Gabon, Gambia, The, Ghana, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, India, Kenya, Lesotho, Liberia, Madagascar, Malawi, Maldives, Mali, Mauritania, Mozambique, Myanmar, Namibia, Nepal, Niger, Nigeria, Pakistan, Rwanda, Sao Tome and Principe, Senegal, Seychelles, Sierra Leone, Somalia, South Africa, South Sudan, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Tanzania, Togo, Uganda, Zambia, Zimbabwe.

Rules and eligibility

Only civil society organisations from the Global South are eligible to apply. Your organisation must be registered and implementing a project in one of AmplifyChange eligible countries. Applicants must also be small to medium sized organisations with an average annual expenditure of less than EUR1 million per year. All applicants need to have a bank account.

International Non-Governmental Organisations based in the Global North and UN agencies are not eligible to lead a Strengthening Grant proposal.

Please continue reading to see the specific eligibility criteria for each Strengthening grant call for proposals.

What are we looking for?

As a challenge fund we rely on you to propose your ideas for successful advocacy to strengthen SRHR.

We support local civil society organisations that advocate to strengthen SRHR across our five [priority themes](#). Applicants need to think strategically about their local movements and define a role that will make the most effective contribution to change. Applications must respond to our [Theory of Change](#).

We also recognise the vital importance of core support for the maintenance and development of civil society organisations. We fund a wide range of organisational strengthening projects from boosting fundraising capacity or financial management, to investments in utilities or equipment.

Application process

Requests for Strengthening grant proposals are posted four to six weeks in advance of the opening date for submission of applications. Applicants then generally have four weeks to complete their submission.

All applications must be submitted online using our [online application system](#). You need to complete a narrative describing your project using the online form. You will also need to upload a budget, workplan and definition of milestones against the AmplifyChange indicator framework using the most up-to-date AmplifyChange templates. These templates can be downloaded from the online application system.

Guides and films

How do I write a good application?

We asked our Technical Review Panel (TRP) to provide their top-tips for writing a strong application. Watch the film below and download the PDF guide to see their advice.

For more help to develop your proposal please see the selected films below and watch our full [user guide series](#).

[Top tips for writing a proposal](#) [How to Write Your Application](#) [How Should I Plan My Activities?](#)

[Top Tips for Writing a Proposal \(PDF\)](#)



Learn from AmplifyChange grantees

Some of the best AmplifyChange grantees have shared practical advice from their experience of strengthening their organisations and the tactics they have successfully used to advocate for improved SRHR.

Check out amplifychangelearn.org to read practical how-to guides written by organisations that have received Opportunity and Strengthening grants.