

CALL FOR APPLICATION

CLIMATE JUSTICE AND RESILIENCE FACILITY FOR AFRICA SMALL GRANTS PROGRAMME

Overview

A Small Grants Facility, the Climate Justice Facility for Africa (CJFA), is designed to support innovative, rapid-response alternatives and 'start-up' initiatives. The CJFA targets fewer formal organizations making it ideal for initiatives of community groups and informal groups and movements, many of which may not have a legal personality due to various reasons including government restrictions, resource constraints, and the choice of activists. This "Call for proposals" briefing note should be read keenly before filling out the attached proposal template.

An overview of the grants: There are two distinct but interrelated sub-grants, all accessible through the online portal.

A. Movement building fund is for supporting grassroots and independent movements and organizations that could either be registered or not registered. The funding is meant to support growth of social movements, expand on their spheres of influence and fund strategic advocacy work as led by the social movements in pursuit of social and climate justice.

B. Local Action fund supports robust engagement of communities at the frontline of the climate crisis together with governmental and private sector partners in collectively developing scalingup solutions that enable them to overcome shocks, rebound and continue pursuing goals set by their sub-national governments, national development blueprints, regional and international policy instruments.

More details on each of the streams of funding including eligibility are provided in the subsequent section. Whereas there are areas of mutual complementarity, applicants must make a choice of the sub-granting stream they are going for. Applicants are encouraged to apply for each stream of funding separately if at all they have to go for both.

A demonstration of the effort in mainstreaming the aspirations of one funding stream to the other stream is also encouraged. Please note that appraisals of the proposals shall be funding stream-specific. Eligible Countries This grant makes funding available to support ideas from social movements and community institutions and groups advancing climate justice drawn from the following countries: a. Social movements: Mozambique, Burkina Faso, Senegal, Ethiopia, Kenya b. Local Action: Mozambique, Nigeria, Burkina Faso, Somalia. Kenya, Ethiopia.

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Grant administration: Pan African Climate Justice Alliance (PACJA) is the agency administering these grants. More details on PACJA can be obtained through the website: www.pacja.org

What types of projects does this grant opportunity support and who is eligible to apply?

Sub-grant	What type of work is funded under this grant	Who is eligible? Who can be funded with this facility
Social Movement Fund	This fund is for supporting grassroots and independent movements and organizations that either registered or not registered. It shall be applied in creating forums and spaces necessary for these movements to be effective. The movements to be funded could be based on individual connections and networks rather than a formal structure, and have decentralized fundraising and spending for autonomously determined purposes. Applicants must demonstrate the nature of influence actions they will undertake in the granting period as the fund aims to support five influencing activities per year. The actions to be supported are often ad hoc, short-term, based on voluntarism, and require relatively small amounts of money. Support for both online/ digital based action and offline is accepted.	Both formal and informal groups keen to grow their movements. Existing social movements keen to scale up their scope of organizing could be considered on need basis. Movements of young people and women groups. It is not a fund for formal CSOs.
Local Action Fund	This fund will drive locally-led, evidence-based advocacy, by supporting innovative community response initiatives that struggle to attract funding in the traditional donor landscape but are potentially transformative. It will promote co-creation and cross-sectoral learning with the private sector, acknowledging that communities need to be involved in the process of finding their own solutions to challenges based on their own contexts.	Informal and formal groups keen to undertake actions on adaptations and resilience. Partnershi ps between community groups and private sector players (leadership in this case shall vest in community groups.)

Support the transition to low-carbon, climate-resilient development pathways (supporting both adaptation and mitigation efforts of communities) This fund is available to support communities at the frontline of the climate crisis in collectively developing and - together with governmental and private sector partners - scaling-up solutions that enable them to overcome shocks, rebound and continue pursuing goals set in national and regional policy frameworks For purposes of being precise, the fund can be applied to support joint pilot initiatives (social enterprises) on viable community solutions in adaptation, mitigation and financial mobilization with CSOs and private sector. PACJA will apply its extensive outreach and convening power to catalyze strategic dialogues between communities, CSOs and the private sector. Cultivating relationships over time in order to influence private sector actors to play an active role in promoting communities' climate resilience.

iii. Communities in the frontline of climate crisis.

How much funding is available per grant category, country and for a single applicant?

- A maximum of 17 projects shall be funded across the 8 countries. Each project shall be funded to a maximum of Euro 15,000 and implemented over a 9-month period.
- Demonstration of prudence and efficiency in budgeting will be a key consideration in the overall project assessment. High-impact, result-oriented, sustainability-focused, and cost-effective concept ideas are highly encouraged.
- The deadline for applications is May 24, 2023, at 5 pm East African time (+3GMT). Communication to successful applicants will happen in mid-June 2022 and implementation will start immediately thereafter.

How to apply:

- 1. Fill out the attached Word template, watching out for the provided word limits in each section.
- 2. Fill out the attached Excel-based Budget template to accompany your submission.
- 3.Attach all the above to your email and send them to: aacj-sgp@daleagro.org,CC partenerships@pacja.org, info@pacja.org

Frequently asked questions

Q: Can the sub-grants be used to purchase equipment?

A: Applicants cannot use a portion of these grants to purchase equipment.

Q: In which languages should the applications need to be written in?

A: Applications must be submitted in English or French or Portuguese .

Q: Are grantees expected to include monitoring and evaluation in their proposed activity?

A: Grantees are encouraged to submit their own reporting, monitoring and evaluation plan along with their application. It is important for the grantees to be clear on what they think would be the best indicators for assessing their level of success with the grant. Through further discussion a plan will be drawn by the organization administering the grant

Q: Are applicants expected to co-finance the proposed activity?

A: Co-financing, even though desirable is not a requirement for this grant. It is however useful for the applicants to demonstrate that the funding sought is connected with ongoing pieces of work or has basis for continuity for purposes of sustainability.

Q: Can community groups and social movements supported under existing or former programmes of PACJA and other organizations that are in consortia with PACJA apply?

A: Existing or former movements, groups and partners of any consortia member are eligible to apply. An appraisal of their track record existing or previous grantees will be put into consideration during the selection.

Q: When will applicants know whether they've been selected?

A: The online system in place is well structured to keep you promptly informed on progress being made and key decisions being made on your application through your login credentials.