

CALL FOR PROPOSALS

Promoting Civic Space through Advocacy and Media Capacity in Tanzania

Background

The International Center for Not-for-Profit Law (ICNL) is an international not-for-profit organization that promotes an enabling legal environment for civil society, freedom of association, assembly and expression, and public participation around the world. ICNL has provided technical, research and capacity-building assistance to support the reform of laws affecting civil society organizations in over 100 countries. We draw upon a worldwide network of partners and experts to produce innovative research and analysis on legal topics affecting civil society. To learn more about ICNL's programs in Africa, visit www.icnl.org.

ICNL is pleased to invite proposals for small grants as part of its “**Promoting Civic Space in Tanzania**” program. Through this program, ICNL aims to support engagement and innovative information exchange and advocacy by civil society organizations to promote and protect the fundamental rights of association, assembly and expression and expand operating space at the local, national or regional levels in Tanzania.

To achieve these program goals, ICNL will provide small grants to support innovative, impactful projects and provide technical assistance to grantees as needed. Proposals from community-based organizations are especially encouraged.

Please contact us via email at africa@icnl.org should you have questions.

Application Instructions

To apply for a grant, applicants must submit the following fully completed items via email to africa@icnl.org with the subject “**Tanzania small grant application**”

- Application Coversheet;
- Proposal (no more than five pages); and
- Line-item Budget (**no more than \$10,000**).

Content of Proposal

In **no more than five (5) pages**, please describe your project proposal, which may address one or more of the following issues:

- i. Innovative outreach and sensitization of marginalized groups and communities on civil society legal restrictions and closing civic space, and initiatives to include and integrate them in broader advocacy efforts for reform.
- ii. Innovative public outreach initiatives to deepen public understanding of the importance of civil society, the impact of restrictive laws on civil society, and to encourage involvement in efforts to protect freedom of association, assembly and expression rights.
- iii. Facilitating engagement with state actors to support their work in creating an enabling environment for civil society.
- iv. Supporting innovative communication and information-gathering platforms that provide data on civic space for use in evidence-based advocacy.

The proposal should include the following information:

- ✓ An overview of the proposed project, including a description of proposed activities, outputs, and outcomes;
- ✓ The proposed activity plan and timeline for the project, recognizing that grant activities must be completed no later than the end of February 2020;
- ✓ Specific goals, their feasibility, and how results will be measured (including a monitoring and evaluation plan);
- ✓ The plan to sustain the impact of the project beyond the grant support.
- ✓ Applicant's experience in working on civil society legal reform, the rights to freedom of association, assembly, or expression, or other civic space related issues;
- ✓ Existing initiatives by the applicant or other entities dealing with similar or related issues. Where applicable, the plan for ensuring complementarity between the proposed project and existing initiatives;

Please also attach a **line-item budget** (which does not count toward the 5-page limit for the proposal)

Eligibility Requirements

Proposals are welcome from any registered non-profit organization operating in Tanzania.

Selection Criteria

Applications will be evaluated based on the following factors:

- i. Compliance with eligibility requirements and application procedures;
- ii. Demonstrated commitment of applicant to protecting civic space;
- iii. Quality of proposed project, including innovation and potential impact of the proposal, the proposed methodology/design, and feasibility of the project (e.g., activities are targeted to achieve stated results, and anticipated results that are realistic and attainable);
- iv. Likelihood that the proposed project will enhance civic space in Tanzania;
- v. Sustainability of the proposed project beyond the grant period;
- vi. Proposed budget and apparent value for money; and
- vii. Inclusion of reasonable indicators to measure project success.

Additional information

Interested applicants can apply by completing the **application coversheet** and submitting it, along with all required documents by email (see instructions below). All grant recipients will be required to submit progress reports during the grant period and a final report on the use of funds, activities conducted, and outcomes of their projects prior to receiving their final grant disbursements. All project activities must be completed by the end of February 2020.

Deadline

Applications will be considered on a rolling basis until all grant funds are awarded. Applicants should submit their applications no later than **June 30, 2019**. Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted.

APPLICATION COVERSHEET

Please fill out the coversheet completely and submit it, along with your proposal and resume or CV, to the contact information listed on the previous page. If you do not receive confirmation that your application was received within 48 hours, please contact us again by email.

Click on the boxes below to fill out the form:

Full Name:

Position:

Organization:

Mailing Address Line 1:

Mailing Address Line 2:

Mailing Address Line 3:

Country:

Email Address:

Telephone Number:

Click on the boxes below to indicate that you have properly completed the application:

- I have attached a proposal that is no more than five pages in length.
 - I have attached a line-item budget.
 - I reside and work in Tanzania.
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