



CCRIF Small Grants Programme



The CCRIF Small Grants Programme will provide financing for small projects by non-governmental organisations (NGOs), community-based organisations (CBOs) and charity organisations in local communities across CCRIF member countries and/or CARICOM member countries.

The Small Grants Programme is designed to:

- Enhance capacities at the local community level and raise awareness of disaster risk management and climate change
- Enhance partnerships, cooperation, coordination and collaboration mechanisms in support of disaster risk management (DRM)
- Support best practices in community development
- Ensure replicability of good practices at the local level and contribute to innovation in DRM practices at the local level

All projects submitted for consideration must be of relevance to CCRIF and its regional mandate and agenda and can therefore be inclusive of, but not limited to projects related to the following broad areas:

- Disaster risk management
- Engineering
- Climate change adaptation
- Training and other capacity building initiatives to be implemented through seminars, workshops, community consultations, and expert group meetings among others
- Environmental management initiatives that will directly impact on reducing community vulnerability (e.g. watershed management projects in degraded areas, which will contribute to enhancing resilience in nearby communities)

Each project should fall within the range of US\$5,000 to US\$25,000.

THE CCRIF TA PROGRAMME

The Small Grants Programme is part of CCRIF's Technical Assistance (TA) Programme.

Started in 2009, the TA Programme provides an ongoing mechanism for support within the Caribbean region for capacity building initiatives and the development and implementation of projects to improve the effectiveness of disaster risk management. The Programme aims to help Caribbean countries deepen their understanding of natural hazards and catastrophe risk, and the potential impacts of climate change on the region.

The Programme consists of three components:

- Scholarship/professional development programme
- Regional knowledge building
- Support for local disaster risk reduction initiatives

Within the TA Programme, CCRIF supports the region in disaster management efforts through partnerships with regional organisations, implementing capacity building initiatives, education, research and development and knowledge sharing.



Requirements of the CCRIF Small Grants Programme

Eligibility

All registered NGOs, CBOs, charity or non-profit organisations, national disaster coordinating bodies and universities operating within local communities across CCRIF member countries in the Caribbean and/or CARICOM member countries are eligible for funding. Organisations directly funded from state budgets such as departments or agencies within government ministries are not eligible for funding.

Submission Guidelines

Proposals must be submitted electronically using the CCRIF website and specifically through the CCRIF Small Grants online platform (see below). The online system is configured for applicants to register and submit the proposal themselves.

Deadlines for Applications

Proposals for small grants may be submitted for consideration at any time during the CCRIF policy year which runs from June 1 to May 31. As such, CCRIF will not have a specific call for small grant proposals. Also, as of June 1 (i.e. the start of the policy year) each year, applicants can access the online small grants platform to note any changes that may be relevant for an upcoming policy year.

Information and Instructions

Overview of the programme:

<http://www.ccrif.org/content/programmes/small-grants-programme>

Project proposal information:

<http://www.ccrif.org/content/programmes/small-grants-programme-project-proposal>

Submission of proposals:

<http://www.ccrif.org/content/programmes/small-grants-programme-application-submission>

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