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# Scottish Government Small Grants Programme

2019 funding round information day

7<sup>th</sup> September 2018

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# Introduction and changes to the fund

# Criteria overview

- **One application from across the three grants (project grant / feasibility / capacity building) in each funding round**
- **Project grant of up to £60k over 3 years open to projects working in three Sub-Saharan partner countries - Malawi, Rwanda and Zambia**
- **Current priority themes**

<b>Education</b>	<b>Food security</b>
<b>Health</b>	<b>Renewable energy</b>
<b>Sustainable economic development</b>	<b>Climate change</b>
<b>Civic governance and society</b>	<b>Water</b>

- **Capacity Building and Feasibility Study grants of up to £10k over 1 year open to projects in any country designated as M/L Human Development on the current UNHD index**

## Organisational criteria

- ✓ **Legal person (legally constituted and can enter into a contract)**
- ✓ **Organisations been in existence for a minimum of 12 months**
- ✓ **Have audited/examined accounts available**
- ✓ **Presence in Scotland**
- ✓ **Not for profit**
- ✓ **Annual expenditure of up to £250,000**

*\* unincorporated organisations, even with charitable status, are not eligible to apply unless incorporation is in place by 31st December 2018*



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## **Budgeting/financial criteria**

- ✓ **Joint or match funding - funding split up to a maximum of 50:50**
- ✓ **Capital spend limits**
- ✓ **Scottish costs**

## What cannot be funded

- ❖ funding directly to other Governments or to individual representatives of other Governments
- ❖ financial support solely for the transportation of goods to countries
- ❖ per diems
- ❖ land purchase
- ❖ purchase of vehicles
- ❖ a project which is simply the continuation of past work or projects
- ❖ predominantly capital infrastructure projects or capital spend primarily to create a fixed asset
- ❖ academic research (e.g. scholarships to do research) as a key element of the project



## The Scottish Government particularly welcomes applications

- ✓ from currently under-represented groups such as diaspora led groups
- ✓ in the area of civic governance
- ✓ projects that are innovative or support innovation
- ✓ projects which will;
  - (a) work with organisations currently in receipt of funding through the Scottish Government IDF and running projects under the larger Zambia, Rwanda or Malawi Development programmes;
  - (b) wrap around/dovetail/support such existing larger projects in those countries, to provide added value to the larger projects.



# Application/assessment process

# Before starting your application

**Please read the guidance notes!**



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**Remember to send your  
application to us in good time  
for the closing date.**

# Assessment phase

**What happens after we get your application?**

# Key assessment areas

- **Due Diligence**
- **Project design & fit with Scottish Government's International Development Strategy**
- **Needs assessment**
- **Project Management**
- **Project Budget**
- **Risk Assessment**
- **Sustainability**
- **Monitoring, Evaluation & Learning**
- **Links with existing Scottish Government projects**

# Capacity Building

- **How was area of need identified**
- **Commitment**
- **Who will carry out the work**

# Feasibility Grants

- **Outline scoping**
- **Involvement of excluded groups**
- **Who will carry out the work**



# Timescales

- **Closing Date: 16<sup>th</sup> November 2018**
- **Assessment period: November – January**
- **Announcements: February/March 2019**
- **Projects start: April 2019**

## Hints and Tips

- **Keep it simple**
- **Avoid jargon and waffle**
- **Keep to word limits**
- **Be honest with facts and figures**
- **Don't inflate the budget – Projects do not always need to be for the full £60,000**
- **Ask a friend to read the application and give you honest feedback**
- **Read the guidance notes**



# Application support



## Case study – Yes! Tanzania





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# About YES! Tanzania



- Founded in 2010, YES! Tanzania supports organisations in the most disadvantaged urban communities of Tanzania to transform young people's lives through sport.
- We work with our local partner, Umoja Tanzania, to build the capacity of organisations through the 3 elements of the YES! Programme.
  1. Projects
  2. Planning
  3. Networking









# 2014 – Feasibility Grant



## Community Sport and Sexual Health

*'The issue to be addressed is how best sport can be used to improve sexual health education within the Umoja Centre and the communities where the students live, particularly with regards to HIV and AIDS'*

- Field Study – Edinburgh University student placement.
- Desk Research
- Pilot Programme – Peer leader educational games training programme.



# 2015 – Project Grant



## 3-Year Community Sport and Sexual Health Project

- 156 coaches, teachers and peer leaders were trained in delivering sports & sexual health training to young people.
- 1,825 young people participated in sport and sexual health games sessions.
- 1,450 young people attended community sports sessions.
- 1,211 young people attended sexual health workshops.
- 391 young people attended workshops on condom use.
- Sport & Sexual Health Games Manual produced.
- Sports & Sexual Health Tutor training and Positive Coaching curriculum produced.
- Sports & Sexual Health Coaches, Teachers and Leaders training curriculum produced.

# Lessons learned



- We were a bit over-ambitious in our aims for the project and have learned to be a bit more realistic when designing projects in future.
- One of our partners was weak and did not fulfil their role and responsibilities within the project. We have learned that it is important to have strong, reliable partners to ensure the success of a project.
- It is important to have strong operational management systems in place to ensure an effective delivery of the project. Similarly, it is important to have a strong MEL system in place to ensure the impact of the project can be evaluated effectively.



# 2016 – Capacity Building Grant



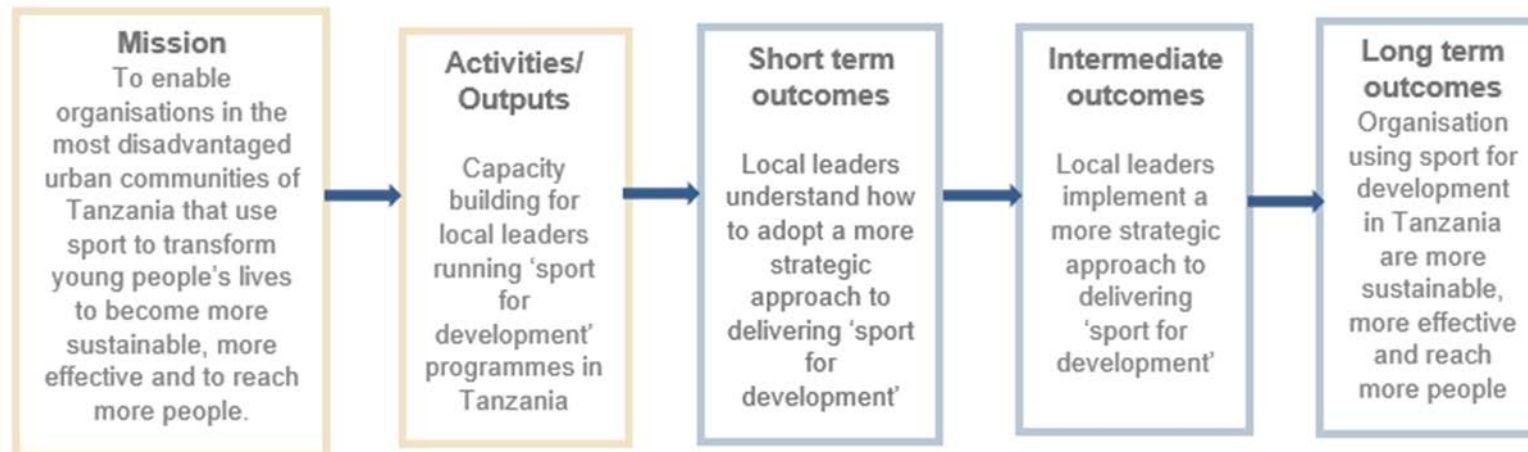
## YES! Tanzania

- New website ([www.yestanzania.org.uk](http://www.yestanzania.org.uk)) and digital communications strategy.
- Theory of change and M&E framework developed.
- Effectiveness plan implementation & mentoring support (Ceris Jones).

## Umoja Tanzania

- New website and digital communications strategy.
- Case studies.
- Theory of change logic model produced.

# Theory of Change and Outcomes Chain





# 2017 – Capacity Building Grant



## YES! Tanzania

- Development of fundraising and income generating capacity (regular monthly donations increased from £10 a month to £260 per month).
- Operational management systems manual and training programme.

## Umoja Tanzania

- Operational management coaching for Programme Manager.



# 2018 – Feasibility Grant



## Community Sport & Education

*Feasibility of developing an integrated in-school and after-school sports programme which promotes attendance and enhances the formal and in-formal education of young people.*

- Edinburgh University student study highlighting existing challenges and opportunities.



**Q&A**



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**Thank you for coming!**