

Amkeni Wakenya Call for Supporting an Inclusive and Multi-Sectoral Response to COVID-19 and Addressing its Socio-Economic Impact in Kenya in 5 Counties

Public Information Forum For CSOs and Members of the Public

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In this presentation, we shall:

1. Give a brief background on Amkeni Wakenya- history, Vision, Mission, Strategic Objectives for 2008- to date
2. Highlight the purpose of the recently-published Restricted (Regions) Call for Proposals- Objectives, Result areas and priority issues, who is eligible etc.
3. Answer some Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

Part 1- About Amkeni Wakenya

- UNDP-led Facility established in 2008 currently in Phase II of implementation
- The objective - to provide technical and financial support to Civil Society Organizations (CSOs) that work in the democratic governance sector in Kenya; towards enhancing citizens' participation in governance and reforms.
- Primary target groups are: CSOs- NGOs,CBOs, FBOs,Academia trusts, research institutions, government strategic partners etc.

Amkeni Wakenya phase 2 focuses on (4) outcomes:

- 1: Access to justice and realization of Human rights
- 2: Entrenching human rights - centered and accountable devolved governance
- 3: Promoting an enabling environment for CSOs
- 4: Building the capacity of civil society to effectively respond to contemporary governance issues

Programme delivery methodologies:

- (a) Grant Making
- (b) Capacity Building, and
- (c) Learning and Knowledge Management.

Capacity Building -AW

- Offer capacity building support to national and grassroots organizations
- Has capacity building unit- to support both funded and non funded partners
- Before award of grants, UNDP conducts capacity assessment of identified CSOs and develops a capacity building plan used to strengthen capacity of CSOs
- Nonfunded CSOs can also seek support from Amkeni WaKenya on various aspects of organizational development

Part 2: About this Restricted Call for Proposals

- Fifth Call for Proposals for Amkeni Phase II
- Applicants must submit both the Full Proposal.
- The full Proposals will be evaluated.
- The deadline for submission and receipt of proposals is **25th September 2020 at 12:00 hrs**
- Due to current GoK and MoH restrictions occasioned by the COVID-19 pandemic, prospective applicants must submit their applications via https://procurement-notices.undp.org/view_notice.cfm?notice_id=700

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Geographic Focus



- This Call for Proposals seeks to support CSOs in an **Inclusive and Multi-Sectoral Response to COVID-19 and Addressing its Socio-Economic Impact in Kenya**
- It is restricted, targeting CSOs based and/or working in specific Counties:
 - **Western Region** (Kisumu & Busia);
 - **Coast Region** (Kilifi);
 - **Northern Region** (Mandera);
 - **Nairobi Region** (including Kiambu, Machakos, Kajiado)

Where & How to send Application: E-Tendering

- Submission of Application is through E-Tendering
- An applicant may submit only one proposal under this Call for Proposals
- Organizations should submit applications and the required supporting documents as stipulated in the proposal guidelines.
- Full Proposal Application should be completed in the requisite format contained in the document Guidelines for Submission of proposals (Call 5) which will be uploaded on the UNDP Kenya Website and can be accessed through the E-tendering link.
- ALL proposals should be submitted through e-tendering

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- The deadline for the submission of applications is September 25, 2020 at 4.30 p.m. Kenyan Time. If there is a conflict between Kenya Time and E-tendering time on submission, e-tendering time will prevail

Thematic Focus

- This call for proposal is supported by UNDP through funding from the Embassy of Japan and aims to improve citizen participation and engagement.
- There will be **1 Lot under** this call for proposal in two thematic Outcome result areas namely:
 - ❖ **Thematic Focus 1:** Safeguarding human rights and protecting vulnerable groups and;
 - ❖ **Thematic Focus 2:** Legal and Policy advisory Services.

Results and categories

- This call for proposals seeks to provide **immediate and impactful** support to CSO projects aimed at promoting/supporting Inclusive and Multi-Sectoral Response to COVID-19 and Addressing Socio-Economic Impact of COVID-19 in Kenya.
- The *CfP* prioritizes interventions targeting vulnerable groups -, PWDs, youth and prisoners.
- **Size of the Grants:** **USD 20,000** (for all categories)
- **Time Frame:** This is a quick impact project. The planned duration **will not exceed 6 months.**
- **Start Date: 1st October 2020 upto March 30th 2021)**
- This Call is specifically for CSOs working in 5 Counties (**Kisumu, Busia, Kilifi, Mandera, Nairobi**)

Amkeni reserves the right to allocate less than the amount applied for.



Focus intervention areas

The Project will focus on interventions that give priority to the following:

Thematic focus 1: Safeguarding human rights and protecting vulnerable groups

- ❖ Providing policy and technical support to National and County governments on human rights dimensions of public health-related laws, policies, and practices
- ❖ Reducing the risk to vulnerable populations, including prisoners, detainees, and corrections officials by providing training material on health
- ❖ Training duty bearers (e.g. judicial and administrative authorities and lawmakers) on prison/detention decongestion,
- ❖ Supporting governments to work within existing legal, community, security and oversight frameworks for use during emergency powers

Thematic focus 2: Legal and Policy Advisory services

- ❖ analysis of legal and policy barriers to the effective realization of rights for vulnerable groups in the context of COVID-19 and developing necessary advisories
- ❖ Engagement with duty bearers at the county level to ensure human rights concerns of vulnerable groups (PWDs, youth, prisoners) are addressed in ongoing COVID-19 responses
- ❖ Engagement with COVID-19 steering committees at county levels to adopt rights-based approaches in response interventions especially those targeting vulnerable groups
- ❖ Building capacity of COVID-19 steering committees and vulnerable groups.

Example Actions



Distinct attention to PWDs: Access-healthcare/infor/environment; Strengthen CSO institutional/programming (integrity); Integrate PWD-prison inmates; Produce/advocate-medical guidelines and protocols; Participation and representation-advising GoK; A2J/employment/ human rights monitoring-PWDs-led policy agenda; Continued supply/access to medicine; Toll free lines- rapid response

Youth centered; A2Infor-C-19 socio-economic impact & opportunities for youth; Sensitization; Youth in crisis champions/innovative digital platforms; counsel, psycho-education-SGBV (young women & girls).

Prison & judiciary support: Virtual legal aid/counseling in Kodiaga, Nyeri; Training & psycho-S. support (prison officers, jud. officers-magistrates); Decongestion-A C-19 Community Service Order Policy-reduce admission, sentences; review/release; Integrate lessons learned into use- toll-free lines

Who is Eligible to Apply?

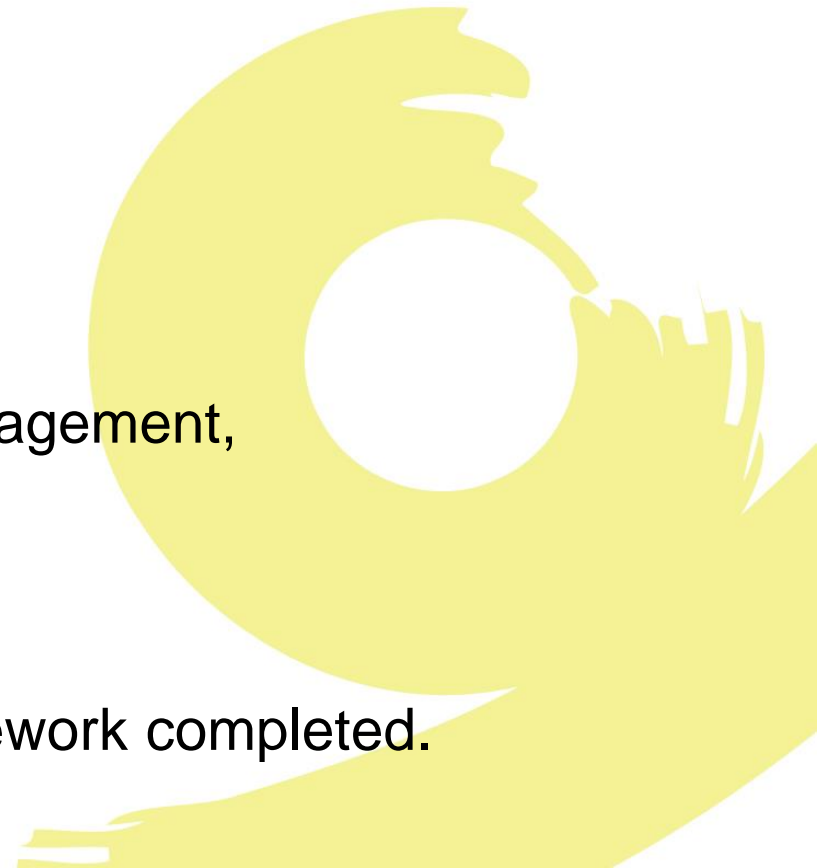


1. Be a non-profit making Civil Society Organization (CSO) registered under the relevant Laws of Kenya with all regulatory/statutory compliance in place.
2. Be registered in Kenya for a period of not less than two (2) years
3. Be directly responsible for the preparation and management of the project with their partners, not acting as an intermediary and
4. Demonstrate prior experience of at least two years or more, carrying out activities in the field of development of the kind covered under this project.
5. Have a bank account with certified and audited books of accounts for the past two years.

How to Apply

Applications must be submitted in accordance with instructions on the *CfP*, in the **Application Form (Annex B)** including:

- Project summary
- Relevance and justification,
- Project description and effectiveness,
- Project principles and approaches,
- Sustainability,
- M and E,
- Communication and Knowledge management,
- Risks and Mitigation,
- Project Management,
- Annual Work Plan and Logical Framework completed.



How to Apply: Proposal Writing

- The Budget must be submitted using Sample Budget format (Annex D).
- Applications must be in English; **NOT** Hand-written.
- **Complete application form entails:**
Part B: full application form,
Budget and logical framework, which must be submitted in one original and three (2) copies in A4 size. All documents must be **below 10MB**

Full Application to contain:



- The application should propose innovative and sustainable implementation approaches in relation to the proposed types of projects to achieve the results intended and:
- Demonstrate proof of participatory planning with consultations with beneficiaries.
- Relate with relevant state actors and national policies.
- Mainstream cross-cutting issues e.g. PWDs, human rights (rights-based approaches), leave no one behind (LNOB), gender, conflict sensitivity, environment, and leadership.
- Exit strategy.
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- Verify data on the outcome of the project at the level of activity, result and specific objectives
- Communication and visibility strategy.
- Bring about United nations Response context of ensuring inclusion, collaboration, building enduring partnerships and supporting innovative financing and;
- Demonstrate Integration of the UN Social-economic framework & UNDP integrated COVID-19 response framework.
- Innovative integration of the two thematic focus of this Call for proposal

Capacity Assessments

- Pre-qualified Applicants will then be taken through capacity assessment exercise. This exercise seeks to identify the risk levels of the organizations as well as the capacity needs for future capacity building initiatives.
- This will be done once in UN project cycle which is 5yrs. Once assessed by other UN agencies there will be no further Capacity Assessment, The risk Levels will determine how you receive assistance either through Advance, Reimbursement or direct Implementation.
- **Notification of the Decision**
Applicants will be informed in writing of Amkeni Wakenya's decision concerning their application including, where reasonably possible, the reasons for any negative decision

Indicative time-table

Public Information Forum	16 September 2020
Deadline for submission of Application Form	25 September 2020
Evaluation of Proposals (Administrative checks and evaluation of proposals)	05 October 2020
Projects Approvals Committee (PAC)	09 October 2020
Capacity Assessments	up to 14 October 2020
Notification of award (after the eligibility check)	15 October 2020
Contract signature	Shortly after the 15th October

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)



1. Can I submit a proposal(s) if I have a satellite office in the targeted

YES: preference will however be given to CSOs Headquartered with functional offices in the targeted counties. You will need to provide evidence of existence of this offices

2. How does Amkeni ensure that CSOs working with marginalized groups are supported?

Amkeni has a clear and deliberate policy on marginalized groups such as persons with disabilities, youth, women and minorities. Representation of these groups will be ensured during evaluation of both the Concept Notes and Full Application Forms

3. Can I be funded if I have not done audit for the last 2 years

NO: We encourage all CSOs applying to have audit reports. This proves the credibility of the organization in financial management

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs continued)

4. If a CSO has low capacity but has presented a good proposal can they be denied funding

NO: Unless the financial capacity is weak, or they have been implicated in financial mismanagement. Amkeni WaKenya builds capacity of CSOs hence will work with this organisations to ensure organizational capacity is enhanced.

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