

Round 1: Community Development Seed Grant Application

The Community Development Grants Program is open exclusively to WMI Scholars. All graduate scholars AND student scholars who will complete their final exams by January 1, 2021 are eligible to submit grant proposals before the October 15, 2020 deadline.

The Community Development Grants Program is an opportunity for scholars to design initiatives to address community needs related to healthcare, education, the environment, women's rights, economic development and more.

We believe that local solutions are the best solutions. As a local leader within your community, you have a better understanding of the area's needs and your initiative will be rooted in community partnerships, engagement and trust.

This application form is for Seed Grant Funding.

Seed Grant Funding is a one-time grant of \$100 to \$1,000 USD. The seed grant is designed to help start, or significantly expand, a business, community-based organization, non-governmental organization, community service project or community event. If approved, the grant funds will generally be unrestricted and can be used for program expenses, operating expenses, materials and supplies, etc.

Eligibility Notes:

- 1.) You must be in their nation or have concrete plans to return to your nation for the full implementation of the initiative being proposed.
- 2.) Proposals must be related to your area of study/work and be implemented in the community that you are currently living or working.
- 3.) At this time, only graduate scholars who have studied a field of animal science or veterinary science are eligible to apply for animal-related projects.

Please familiarize yourself with the application timeline:

Application submission form opens: October 1, 2020

Submission deadline: October 15, 2020

*If applying for the October 15, 2020 deadline, the proposal idea should be scheduled to begin after January 15 for all expense-related activities.

Application open October 1-15

Round 1 application deadline: October 15

Feedback provided to all applicants via email: November 1

Applicants revise their applications: Throughout the month of November

Online coaching sessions to discuss feedback and strategies to improve proposals: November 4-13

Round 2 application deadline: December 1

Award announcement: December 18

Pre-funding calls with all awardees: December 21-January 8

Award funds sent: Mid-January

If you have any questions, please email Nicole Schmitz at nicole@wellsmountain.com.

* Required

Community Development Grant Program: Eligibility Check

Please complete this section to determine if you are eligible to continue with the application.

1. Are you a WMI Scholar? *

Mark only one oval.

- Yes, I am a WMI Graduate Scholar.
- Yes, I am a WMI Student Scholar and will complete my undergraduate final exams by January 1, 2021.
- No, I am not a WMI Scholar.

2. Do you acknowledge that a complete Community Development Grant application includes completing this form and uploading your written proposal, planning timeline, and project budget(s)? *

Mark only one oval.

- Yes
- No

Update Your Personal Information

3. First name *

4. Family name *

5. Preferred email *

6. Phone number *

Include your country code.

7. WhatsApp number *

Include your country code.

8. The full name of someone who we can contact if we cannot reach you: *

9. Their phone number: *

Include country code.

10. Their WhatsApp number:

11. The name associated with your Facebook account:

12. Where are you currently living: *

City and country

Overview: Seed Grant Proposal

Provide a basic overview of your proposal. You will provide more details in the official written proposal.

13. Name of your proposal: *

Be creative and conscious of your audience

14. Are you requesting a grant for a new idea? *

Mark only one oval.

Yes

No

15. Which of the following categories relates to the idea in which you are applying for? *

Check all that apply.

- One-time event/training
- On-going project
- Business creation (selling a service or product)
- Business expansion (selling a service or product)
- Other

16. If other, please specify:

17. Is your proposal related to your area of study or work? *

Note: It is a requirement that your proposal is related to your area of study/work.

Mark only one oval.

Yes

No

18. Will your proposal be implemented in the community that you currently live or work? *

Mark only one oval.

Yes

No

19. Where will this proposal be implemented? *

Examples: Name of the city/village, description of the location, population data, etc.

20. What is your connection to the location? *

21. Who are the target beneficiaries of your initiative? *

Check all that apply.

Check all that apply.

- Children
- Youth
- Disabled
- Local Community
- National Audience
- Refugees
- Unemployed/Out of School Youth
- Women and Girls
- Other

22. If "Other", please explain who are the target beneficiaries:

23. How many beneficiaries will be engaged in your initiative? *

24. What is the local language of your beneficiaries and what language will be used to implement your proposal? *

25. Will you be working with other individuals, community groups, organizations, or businesses to support/implement your proposal? *

Mark only one oval.

Yes

No

26. Will this proposal be implemented by or with an existing organization? *

Mark only one oval.

Yes

No

27. If this proposal will be implemented by or with an existing organization, provide a detailed background of the organization.

28. What are some potential challenges or barriers that may impact the implementation of your proposal? *

Please consider challenges or barriers that relate to your personal circumstances, the local culture and norms, the target community, your beneficiaries, finances, sustainability, implementing M&E, etc.

**Overview:
Seed
Grant
Budget**

Provide a basic overview of your proposed budget. At the end of this application form you will upload the official budget template. All data should be provided in your local currency.

29. What is the currency in your nation? *

30. What is the current exchange rate of your local currency to 1 US Dollar? *

This is the exchange rate that you should also use within your budgets.

31. What is the total cost to implement your proposal? *

In your local currency.

32. What amount are you requested as a WMI Seed Grant? *

In your local currency.

33. How much funding in total do you plan to secure from other sources? *

In your local currency.

34. How much funding have you already collected from other sources? *

In your local currency.

35. If you are not able to secure all funding, how will you change your proposal?

Explain. *

Application Documents

To complete your application, you will need to submit a written project proposal (Word Document/PDF), a planning timeline (using the WMI template) and a project budget(s) (using the WMI template). If you have difficulty with uploading your documents here, you may email them to nicole@wellsmountain.com.

36. Written proposal

Files submitted:

37. Planning timeline

Files submitted:

38. Budgets

Files submitted:

39. Other supporting documents (optional)

Files submitted:

40. Use this space if there is any additional information that you would like to provide the review committee:

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