

About the fund

[UK Aid Direct](#) is a challenge fund designed to support the UK's commitment to achieving the [Global Goals](#).

Funded by the UK's Department for International Development (DFID), its main aim is to support small and medium-sized, UK-based and southern-based civil society organisations (CSOs).

Latest funding round

[Community Partnership](#) and [Impact](#) grants open for applications on 4 March and close on 17 April 2019.

Although proposals tackling urban poverty are a particular interest of this round, it is important to note that all eligible applications addressing the Global Goals are welcomed.

Applicant organisations must be registered in the UK, in one of the lowest 50 countries in the UN Human Development Index (HDI)* or in one of the DFID's [priority countries](#).

Projects can be set up in one or more project country, made up of the lowest 50 countries in the UN HDI or a DFID priority country.

UK-based organisations will need to demonstrate how they are working in partnership with an organisation based in the country their project will be operating in.

Application guidance will be available online at ukaidirect.org from 20 February, and a webinar will follow soon after on 26 February. [Please register in advance](#).



Photograph: Community Partnership grant holders [Rise International](#), a UK-registered charity. This project pilots a package to build capacity in schools to support girls during menstruation.

In brief

Community Partnership grants

- Organisations must have an average annual income of less than £1 million for the past three years
- Grants for up to £250,000 will be available to projects lasting three years or less.

Impact grants

- Organisations must have an average annual income of less than £10 million for the past three years
- Grants between £250,001 and £4,000,000 will be available to projects lasting between three and five years.

How to apply

- Register on the online application portal
- Complete an eligibility assessment
- Submit a concept note via the portal.

Organisations that are successful at concept note stage will be asked to submit a full application.

Other funds

The [Small Charities Challenge Fund](#) (SCCF) is another UK Aid Direct fund. It is designed to support small UK-registered charities and not-for-profit organisations involved in international development. SCCF is a rolling fund with applications reviewed on a six-monthly basis.



Photograph: Impact grant holders, [Anti-Slavery International](#). This project facilitates empowerment of the bonded labour Haliya Community (HC) to break the cycle of slavery and labour exploitation in western Nepal.

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