

Localize Global Health Security Project (LGHS)

Grant Opportunity Announcement Request for Applications (RFA) No. RFA_CM001 Cameroon Bidders' Conference on Thursday October 17, 2024

Responses to Questions

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App	olication Questions	
1.	Is the budget \$200,000 for 1 year of the project or does it cover the 2 years? Also, does the total amount of the grant have to be spread evenly over the 2 years?	The total amount for the Grant is up to \$200,000 for two years, so approximately \$100,000 per year, although the spending does not need to be perfectly even. Please ensure the budget for the full application is in local currency.
2.	What is the length of the project? When are the activities supposed to start?	LGHS is a four-year global project, with one option year. It is being implemented in several countries. In Cameroon, the grant program is just beginning and will run for two years. Awards are expected January – February.
3.	Can we choose the regions we wish to work in and specific district(s) or must we cover all?	You can select the region and districts you wish to focus on. It's not required to cover all regions or districts. We recommend choosing the areas where your organization can perform best.
4.	Can several organizations form a coalition/consortium to apply for the grant? If we do, does the pool of funds increase? For example, can they each work in one of the main regions to cover both?	Yes, organizations can form a consortium, but all members must meet the eligibility criteria. Collaboration could focus on covering different regions or leveraging complementary strengths. However, USAID will not increase the total grant amount of \$200,000.
5.	In the other required documents (section IV of Part 1), what does the "Copy of the organization's current and up-to-date registration" represent?	A certification from the Ministry of Territorial Administration with the Applicants legal name must be presented to shows that the applicant is registered locally.
6.	Couldn't the implementation of the antimicrobial resistance (AMR) and zoonosis-related activities be extended to the Adamaoua, North	The regions outlined in the RFA are fixed and will not be revised at this time. While LGHS recognizes the importance of global health security activities in the

	and Far North regions? Considering that these three regions together produce around 70% of Cameroon's cattle, whose meat is the most widely consumed, and where the consumption of medicines surpasses any other livestock sector.	North and Far North, the program has deliberately selected the Central and Western regions.
7.	Can an organization submit more than one Concept Note? (i.e. one for each region, or to propose two different approaches?)	Applicants can only submit one Concept Note.
8.	Do we have to obtain a Unique Entity Identification (UEI) number to submit a Concept Note?	A UEI is required to receive funding from USAID but not for submitting the Concept Note. Organizations invited to submit a full application will need to provide a UEI or show proof that the organization has started the process to obtain a UEI by the time of awarding the grant. We encourage all organizations to obtain a UEI for this and future USAID opportunities by visiting <u>SAM.gov Home</u> (i.e., <u>https://sam.gov/content/duns- uei</u>).
9.	How will we know you have received our application? How will those that have been chosen know?	All applicants will receive a confirmation email upon submission.
10.	If the activities or approaches are similar for more than one organization, will you put those organizations together and give one grant instead of two?	Collaboration is encouraged, but funding and support will remain distinct.
11.	Must the selected organizations be registered, and would they need a tax paying file?	Yes, under Cameroonian law and LGHS eligibility criteria, organizations must be registered to receive an award.
12.	The Cameroon One Health National Action Plan is referenced in the call on many instances. Is USAID looking for implementation partners for this action plan or can submissions carry entirely novel concepts?	The grants are not specifically for implementing the One Health Action Plan, however, proposed approaches should align with or support the national strategy.
13.	After submission of the concept notes, will organizations receive feedback from LGHS? In other words, will rejected organizations receive feedback? Will selected	LGHS cannot guarantee feedback to non-shortlisted organizations

	organizations receive feedback regarding which way to go/what to focus on?	
14.	Are the activities that we are to propose supposed to be aligned with One Health? Should we propose human, environment, or animals, do we choose one or all of them?	It is not necessary to cover all sectors. Focus on areas where your organization has the most experience and capacity.