



**CALL FOR APPLICATIONS FOR
SMALL PROJECT AND SUPPORT FUND (SPSF) PROGRAM.
COMPONENT 2: AUGUST 2021**

Activities protecting Human Rights

BACKGROUND

The **SMALL PROJECT AND SUPPORT FUND (SPSF)** aims to empower communities to act and participate in their own development through actions that are designed, implemented and owned by the communities themselves. This is a call for applications for funding for activities that provide an immediate response to Human Rights violations (Component 2) in South Africa through, for example, legal support and/or mobilisation. The activities will have the overall aim of empowering the vulnerable communities through the process and will be focussed on one or more of the following:

The calls seeks to support **8 organisations under component 2**, the maximum grant amount is 75.000 ZAR per funded activity under 2021/22 financial year. There are no geographical focus areas. The funded organisation will need to be able to demonstrate experience and capacity in working in the human rights space with a proven track record. **The maximum period for the implementation of the emergency activities is 1 month.** Particular priority will be given to organisations located in the Gauteng and Kwa Zulu who were affected by the civil unrest that was noted in the country.

OBJECTIVES

The grant aims to provide support in response to social services and emergency situations, which will be mainly focused with the protection measures for vulnerable, marginalised and indigent individuals and communities. The response to emergency demands will be through direct financial support, which may include, among others, logistics, food, physical and psychological health care, assistance with engagement of legal advice/services and strengthening safety networks. Applications may be made by non-governmental organizations, groups and collectives.

CLOSING DATE FOR CALL

As the call is structured as a response to emergency situations, there is no closing date but the targeted number of organisations to be funded is 8. Once this number is reached the call will automatically

close. Should additional funding be available to support more organisations under this component this will be communicated in due course on our digital platforms.

EXCLUSIONS

Any organisations that:

- Are currently being supported and funded by AIDS Foundation of South Africa (AFSA) will not be eligible to apply for funds from the Ukusekela-SPSF or we funded in 2020/21 FY.
- Are already being funded by Bread for the World (BfdW) cannot be supported through the Ukusekela-SPSF or were funded in 2020/21 FY.
- Are part of government structures or are in any way linked to government cannot be funded.
- Have an annual budget of more than R1.5m will not be eligible to apply. If your annual budget exceeds this figure, please submit motivation as to why you should be considered for this funding.
- Any project that requires a 'top up' to an existing project will not be eligible for funding.
- The grant cannot be used to support any **HIV/AIDS** related work.

REQUIREMENTS FOR THE CONSIDERATION OF APPLICATIONS:

- All sections of the application form provided in the link have been completed in full.
- All required supporting documentation is submitted with the application form.
- Non-profit making entities will be supported who should be located in South Africa.
- Proven track record in working in the protection of Human Rights and community development.

RESPONSE TO APPLICATIONS:

As this grant component is intended to enable an urgent response to human rights violations, applications will be acknowledged within 48 hours of them being received with the fully completed application form and supporting documentation being provided.

APPLICATION FORM:

Please follow this link in order to be directed to the online application form <https://www.aids.org.za/request/spsf-application-form/>

ENQUIRIES

Please submit any queries regarding this call to: snegugu@aidsonline.org.za