

The Stop TB Partnership Challenge Facility for Civil Society



PUTTING PEOPLE FIRST TO END TB

To achieve the targets set at the UN High-Level Meeting (UNHLM) on TB in 2018, we need to transform the TB response so that it promotes and protects human rights and gender equality. Strengthening community and civil society actors is an ethical and programmatic imperative in this pursuit.

Tuberculosis is a disease of the shadows, entrenched in communities that have always struggled to make ends meet and lack many basic needs. People in these communities have increased exposure to TB because of a variety of risk factors, including:

- Where they live and work;
- When they are criminalized;
- If they have limited access to quality healthcare services that can detect and treat TB due to financial, legal or geographical barriers; and
- If they are at greater risk due to biological or behavioral factors.

These same factors of marginalization and inequity inhibit peoples' right to the highest standard of physical and mental health and serve as barriers to accessing TB care and support services. And without quality care and treatment, the odds of surviving TB are substantially reduced.

An estimated 30% of the 10 million people who developed TB disease in 2018 did not access or receive proper

care. We cannot reach these key and vulnerable people unless we work with TB-affected communities and the organizations that support them. Only through collaboration with these organizations can we end TB.

To address this, the Stop TB Partnership—through the Challenge Facility for Civil Society (CFCS) 2019—will provide a total of 2.5 million USD in grants for community and civil society. This is the largest-ever call for proposals for TB-affected community and civil society grassroots organizations. Supported by USAID and the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis, and Malaria, each grant will be between 25,000 and 150,000 USD to cover 12 months of activities.

Proposals should address barriers in screening and treatment services; promote community outreach, education and advocacy; organize legal responses to systemic discrimination; and facilitate monitoring of the TB response, holding governments accountable to the commitments made in the UNHLM Declaration to end TB.

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ELIGIBLE COUNTRIES AND REGIONS

Applicants working in any of the following countries or regions are eligible to apply for Challenge Facility for Civil Society 2019 funding.

- **Countries:** Bangladesh, Cambodia, DR Congo, India, Indonesia, Kenya, Mozambique, Nigeria, Pakistan, Philippines, South Africa, Tanzania, and Ukraine. These countries account for nearly 66% of the world's TB burden.
- **Regions:** Anglophone Africa, Francophone Africa, Asia, Latin America and the Caribbean, and Europe.

ELIGIBLE ORGANIZATIONS

A variety of organizations working in the above-mentioned countries or regions are eligible to apply for CFCS 2019 funding. CFCS 2019 is for community and civil society and as such eligible organizations are:

- TB affected community networks or organizations (national or regional).
- Non-governmental organizations working in the above-mentioned countries or regions.
- Civil society organizations working in the above-mentioned countries or regions.

