

Call for Applications for Grant (CAG) – 2023

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

PART 1: Technical

What do I need to know before starting a new application?

We advise that you go through the technical FAQs on the application form by clicking "**Help**" at the bottom of the form. See sample below:



Transforming the lives of farming communities through impactdriven agricultural initiatives for a food secured world.

Are you looking for grant funding for your organization? Maybe we can help!

The AGCO Agriculture Foundation (AAF) 27, initiated by AGCO Corporation in 2018, is a private foundation with the vision to prevent and relieve hunger. The foundation initiates impactful programs that support food security, foster sustainable agricultural development and build needed agricultural infrastructure in selected farming communities.

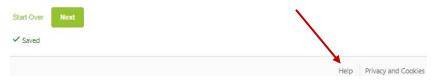
For this grant funding, we are primarily focussed on funding requests that align with our "AAF Focus Areas" et in order to meet our Foundation statements:

- Vision—Holistic approach to the prevention and relief of hunger
- Mission—Initiate impactful programs to support food security and sustainable agricultural development in communities around the world
- Purpose—Build needed agricultural infrastructure to meet increasing nutrition needs

This grant funding is specifically focused on nomination and specifically focused on initiatives or projects that aligned with any of our "AAF Focus Pillars." 27 Only applications submitted through this platform will be reviewed for funding consideration. We advised that grant application should be completed on time and not exceeding 3 weeks period starting from the day you begin your application.

For both technical and non-technical questions regarding this grant application, please check the FAQs &

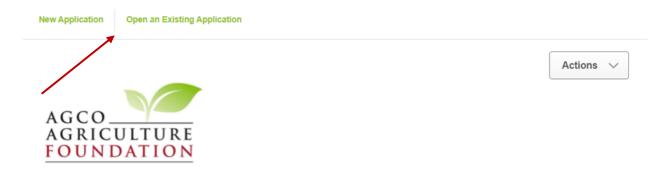
To submit an application for a grant, just follow the steps over the next few pages. We'll evaluate your application and get back to you. Hopefully, with good news!





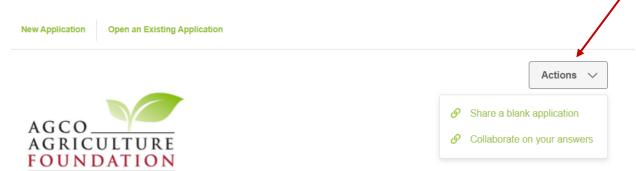
Do I need to register to create an application?

No, there is no need to register or create an account. Simply access the application form through the link provided. You can begin a new application or open existing applications which are auto-saved in the browser.



Can I collaborate with my team on the application form?

Yes, you can collaborate on the application by selecting "Collaborate on your application" under "Actions." This will allow you to share your application with other members of your organization to work on.



What information is required to complete the application?

Please provide all of the information requested in each question, entering the information directly into the online application form. Attachments should be used for specific purposes, not to provide answers to the application questions. Complete all sections of the application unless a question is specifically marked as "optional." Incomplete applications will not be considered.

Avoid writing in first person and please write clearly and concisely, paying attention to character limits and formatting instructions. Avoid using overly technical language, and please spell out acronyms the first time they are used.



Once an application is submitted, you will not be able to make any further edits, unless requested by the AGCO Agriculture Foundation (AAF).

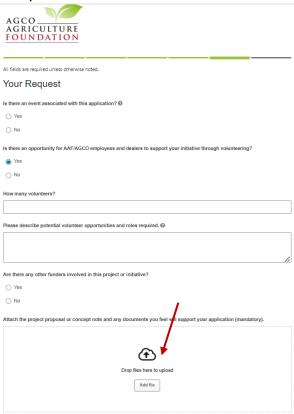
How can I save the application form or cancel the form?

Information entered in the application form is auto saved in your browser. You can also clear each field using the "Cancel" button at the bottom of the page.



What type of file attachments can be added in support of my application?

We recommend that all attachments to your application should be in form of PDF, .xls, .docx or JPEG formats and the sizes should be moderate to fit into the application package. You can also submit links to external resources where required. Video or audio files are not accepted.





Can't find the registered name and the number of my organization on the list when filling out the application form, what should I do?

If your organization does not appear in the Benevity grant application list of global non-profit organizations, you can manually enter/fill in your information and attach legal proof of your not-for-profit registration to support your proposal.

Having difficulty submitting my grant application after completing the form, what can I do?

Refresh your browser and ensure you fill all mandatory areas in the application form.

Is it possible to save my online grant application and return to it later?

Yes. The link from your URL must be copied and saved. You can use the link at any moment to continue your application. The link to your application portal can be bookmarked or copied and saved. Your responses on the application form are saved automatically.

What if I have an issue with my application?

If you have any concern or in need of any assistance, reach out to us via the <u>Contact Form</u> or directly via our inbox - <u>AGCOagriFoundation@agcocorp.com</u>. For technical support such as access issues or application troubleshooting, email <u>grantsupport@benevity.com</u>.

PART II: Non-technical

Who can apply for the AGCO Agriculture Foundation CAG?

This Call for Applications for Grant is open to all non-profit organizations and public universities/educational institutions that are registered and recognized as charitable or non-profit organizations under the law.

What is the focus pillar for this grant application circle?

This grant application cycle is only focused on **Pillar two: Advancement of quality education, research and innovation in agriculture**. Applicants must submit proposal under this pillar only.



Do I need to prepare any supporting documents for my grant application?

Yes. To submit a grant application, it is mandatory to upload the required supporting documents - concept note (max. 5 pages), budget breakdown for the project, detailed work plan, certificate or proof of non-profit.

What is the grant's financing range/limit for this grant application?

The project proposal budget/value can vary depending on the impact, level of activities, duration of the project, and number of beneficiaries, among other factors. Though, it is best to maintain fair, modest, and realistic budget/funding request/value range when submitting your grant application. The Foundation anticipates grant funds for this CAG 2023 to range from **\$200,000** to **\$450,000**. The budget submitted will cover for the entire project duration (2 to 3 years).

What is the tenure of a grant, and can multi-year grants be considered to support longer-term projects?

We will only consider applications with grant/project duration to be **two** to **three years**.

What is the funding guideline to follow when computing the budget breakdown?

Budget must adhere to the Foundation's funding guideline - 70% of grant funds go directly towards the actual project implementation and related project activities, while 30% are for administrative support.

Do past AGCO Agriculture Foundation partners more or less likely to be awarded funding?

Foundation past grant recipients are not more or less likely to receive funding and all proposals are examined on their individual merit and quality of the proposal in relation to the focus pillars.

Which locations can't submit a grant application?

We do not accept applications from countries that are classified under high-risk zones or risk zones or under sanctions. Country risk is classified based on the degree to which political, economic and military unrest affect the securities of issuers working in a particular country.

What is the expected time to complete the grant application form, and when will the selected projects be notified?

We expect the non-profits to complete their grant application form and submit all supporting documents up until the application. Review and notification of a funding



award should take <u>approximately</u> 1 month. However, the timeline is subject to change depending on other internal procedures.

Can a private business sector organization apply for this grant?

No, this grant application is open to non-profit organizations and public universities with fully registered legal status and track records/footprints in their respective places.

Is this grant application open to/support faith-based or religious organizations or other individual activities?

No. Our Foundation do not support faith-based or religious organizations. The Foundation does not fund activities or programs to benefit:

- o Individual for profit organizations (hospitals, hospice programs, etc.)
- o Political, religious-based, labor or fraternal organizations.
- Individuals and their personal fundraising efforts.
- Groups seeking education, travel or conventions.
- Sporting leagues, youth or adult sports teams, clubs, golf tournaments or similar one-off events.
- Sales related, marketing, or customer requested fundraising campaigns.
- Schools (unless non-for-profit registered), school districts, individual students, alumni associations, school or parent organizations and activities.
- Organizations, individuals and their fundraising efforts for conferences, summits, and webinars.

Is it possible to apply for a grant by forming a consortium of non-profits and private entities?

Yes, it is possible. However, only if the application is presented through/by a 'Not-for-Profit' organization will it be considered.

Is it possible to submit multiple applications and/or apply in many thematic areas?

No. Applicants can only submit one grant application platform for this grant application cycle. The grant proposal must align with the focus of this grant priority – "Pillar two: Agricultural Education and Innovation."

Is it possible for a non-profit legally incorporated in country A (for example, the United States) to seek for funding for a project to be implemented in country B (for example, Zambia)?



Yes. Non-profit organizations that are lawfully incorporated in one location are allowed to conduct a project in another country or region. The organization must, however, demonstrate that they have a track record/presence in the project site.

Where to find the character limits for each application question?

The character limit for each question depends on the details required and can be seen on the Benevity platform. This limit includes letters, punctuation, numbers, special characters and spaces.

Can I apply for a grant in a language other than English?

No, all applications must be submitted in English language.