



IWA Charity Projects Committee

Information to potential beneficiaries

Principles

Through the Charity Projects Committee (CPC), IWA Georgia supports women, children, and elderly persons who are vulnerable or at risk due to poverty, poor health, or disability. This may include the support of prevention programs as well as direct interventions. All supported projects shall fall within these areas of interest and must have a direct, positive effect on Georgian citizens.

Any money collected by the fundraising activities of IWA Georgia is spent with fiduciary responsibility.

Guidance on the use of funds

IWA Georgia's core areas of giving are:

Women's issues: including women's social and economic empowerment, independence, and training that revitalizes Georgian traditional crafts or other services to create job opportunities and microeconomics for women.

Education and training: including formal and nonformal mechanisms across a lifespan.

Health issues: including support for those with disabilities, the elderly, and people in need.

IWA Georgia shall make all grant payments by bank transfer. No personal / private accounts of grantees / beneficiaries may be used for any transaction.

Application Process

National governmental organizations, international and national non-governmental organizations registered in Georgia, community groups, or individuals are eligible to apply for a grant from IWA Georgia.

All applications must be addressed to CPC using the official application form.

The application period continues throughout a year. However, CPC is not active during the summer period (July to August) or during the winter holiday (December to January).

Applicants may submit only one request for funding per calendar year.

Individuals are eligible for a maximum grant of 5,000 GEL.

Conflict-of-interest policy

A strict conflict-of-interest policy applies to members of CPC. Conflicts of interest have the potential to jeopardize a nonprofit's charitable organization status and damage its reputation with donors. All members sign a document verifying that they do not have conflicts of interest with any party receiving funding from CPC.



ELIGIBILITY CHECKLIST, EXCLUSIONS, AND SELECTION CRITERIA

1. Eligibility checklist for organizations applying for funding

1. Potential grantees should be Georgian non-governmental organizations (NGOs) or governmental organizations with programs that benefit communities.
2. Primary consideration for CPC funding is the support of local organizations with programs that align with IWA Georgia's core areas of giving.
3. Projects to be supported shall be limited in time and the scope of the project clearly defined.
4. If the project finances a real estate project (obtaining, building, renovating), the contractual partner must credibly assure that the project activity proposed will be carried out for a minimum of four (4) years.
5. The requesting organization must clearly state how a cash grant / donation has been allocated and must be able to provide proof that the amount was used for this purpose.
6. The organization must provide IWA Georgia with post-event documentation (handover documents, project report, photographs, CD, video) within four (4) weeks after a project's ending.
7. International standards for both transparency and confidentiality will apply to all grants. The use of individual names, contact information, and photos will require written consent forms signed by those individuals.
8. Signing of a grant agreement between IWA Georgia and a grantee: A contract must be signed between IWA Georgia and a grantee. IWA Georgia's president and the vice presidents (fundraising chair and CPC chair) have the authority to sign an agreement (also handover agreements after completion of the project).
9. Breach of the agreement: If a grantee fails to fulfil its objective and/or agreement with IWA Georgia, the project will be re-evaluated, and the organization will be notified that the project may be terminated.

2. Funding exclusions

Grants are not made:

1. To organizations that discriminate against certain groups or individuals in the delivery of programs and services based on race, religion, national origin, gender, age, sexual orientation, or disability.
2. To organizations whose services do not benefit the community at large.
3. To organizations whose programming or policies may position IWA Georgia in a negative light
4. For influencing legislation and/or elections.
5. For political / religious causes, candidates, and/or campaigns.
6. For social or political issues outside Georgia.
7. For requests made on behalf of another organization or by an unauthorized representative of the recipient organization.

8. For salaries and/or tips, unless it is included in the project budget as part of purchasing or contract requirements
9. For covering individual and organizational debts, utility bills, or any form of taxes, unless it is included in the project budget as part of purchasing or contract requirements.