



DEPARTMENT OF STATE – U.S. EMBASSY MAPUTO
NOTICE OF FUNDING OPPORTUNITY
Funding Opportunity Number: SMZ-500-FY18-02

U.S. AMBASSADOR'S SPECIAL SELF-HELP FUND (SSH)

**COMPLETED
PROPOSALS
SHOULD BE SENT TO:**

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PLEASE CONTACT THE
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OFFICE THROUGH:
PHONE: 21492797 Ext: 3621**

**THE DEADLINE FOR
PROPOSALS IS:
JULY 15, 2018**

Maputo, May 25, 2018

The Embassy of the United States of America welcomes the submission of proposals for funding under the Ambassador's Special Self-Help Fund (SSH). The SSH assists Mozambican community organizations and groups to develop lasting, self-sustaining projects that benefit entire communities.

AWARD INFORMATION

Length of performance period: 06 to 12 months;
Number of awards anticipated: Five awards (dependent on amounts);
Award amounts: awards may range from a minimum of \$1,000 to a maximum of \$10,000;
Total available funding: \$50,000;
Type of Funding: FY17 Carryover Economic Support Funds under the Foreign Assistance Act;
Anticipated program start date: September 2018.

ELIGIBILITY

SSH grants are intended to support local community organizations that are serving a grassroots need through projects that are community generated and implemented and include significant community contribution in cash, labor or materials.

Organizations must be nonprofit.
Funding request must range in cost from \$1,000 to \$10,000.
The Organization must be legally registered.

SELECTION CRITERIA

Projects should:

- Foster community self-reliance.
- Have community participation and contribution -- volunteer time and labor, donated land, equipment and materials - and the U.S. contribution must be on a one-time basis only.
- Improve basic economic or social conditions at the local community or village level.
- Be viable and sustainable in terms of finance, personnel support, necessary expertise and services.

- Respect environmental norms for small projects. The proposed activity will not adversely affect protected or other sensitive environmental areas nor jeopardize threatened and endangered species and their habitat.
- Not exceed twelve months.

UNALLOWABLE ACTIVITIES

- Religious, military, or law enforcement activities;
- Activities with unmitigated and negative environmental consequences (such as dams or roads through forest lands);
- Procurement of vehicles;
- Activities that benefit any employee of the USG;
- Activities related to human rights;
- Procurement of pesticides, fungicides, or herbicides.
- Provision of capital to beneficiaries through either loans or grants

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

- Applications may be submitted in English or Portuguese;
- A copy of the organization's registration should be included with the proposal;
- The proposal must not exceed 5 pages (Times New Roman, font 12 and single line spacing), and must include the following information:
 - Summary page;
 - Name of the organization or group, address and target group;
 - Proposal summary;
 - Problem Statement;
 - Project objectives and activities;
 - Project location;
 - Work plan for implementation of activities;
 - Monitoring and reporting plan;
 - Detailed budget;
 - Program Partners;
 - Future Funding or Sustainability;
 - Brief description of key personnel