



YOUTH EXCEL Activity in Cambodia

Request for Applications for Local Implementing Partner RFA No. FY22-Youth Excel-Cambodia-01

Frequently Asked Questions

1. Which organizations can apply?

Answer: Local youth led and or youth serving organizations that are legally registered in Cambodia and eligible to accept and receive USAID funding can apply.

2. What is meant by youth-led organization and youth-serving organization?

Answer: A **youth-led organization**, for the purpose of this RFA, is defined as Chief Executive Officer or other leaders are under the age of 35, and whose Board of Directors are predominantly under the age 6 of 35, and who has a mission, mandate, or programs with an expressed priority of serving or support youth under age 35.

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3. What registration documents are acceptable to meet eligibility requirements?

Answer: All legal documentation from the authorized bodies in Cambodia will be considered. In the absence of a certificate of incorporation or registration certificate, submit any other legal documentation showing your organization has its principal place of business in Cambodia and is authorized to conduct business in Cambodia.

4. In terms of geographical reach, where does the scope of work cover?

Answer: Activities will engage youth from two to three provinces with a mix of urban and rural geographies. This activity will engage youth from hard-to-reach geographies, including indigenous populations. Final geographic selection will be determined with the Mission and the Local Implementing Partner.

5. Who are the target participants for the activities?

Answer: Target participants include diverse young leaders ages 15-30 and youth-led/youth-serving organizations (YL/YSOs) that offer Positive Youth Development (PYD) programming in priority USAID sectors. Target participants will also include the young people that are served by programs and initiatives led by young leaders and YL/YSOs, communities that they serve, and the Mission team.

6. In terms of timeline, when is the partner anticipated to begin and for how long will their role be?

Answer: The partner is anticipated to begin in August 2022, and the partner's role in the activity is anticipated to be for the course of 10 months.

7. What will be the role of the youth advisory group?

Answer: The youth advisory group will provide their perspectives and ideas to enrich programming and activities in an advisory capacity and will not engage directly in implementation.

8. Can organizations working with Persons with Disabilities (PWDs) apply?

Answer: Yes. Organizations whose staff are Persons with Disabilities or who support people living with disabilities are encouraged to apply.

9. What criteria does IREX use to score applications

Answer: The selection process consists of 3 main stages – Eligibility screening, Shortlisting and Finalist Selection. Applications are reviewed and scored on 4 factors;

- Strong ability to work with diverse youth at the national level with different stakeholders to achieve programmatic goals in the youth sector.
- Technical capacity in: youth engagement, stakeholder engagement, learning approaches, and capacity development.
- Feasibility of budget and organizational capacity to manage donor funded projects of similar size and scope
- Technical capacity to utilize inclusion and protection strategies for diverse youth.

Should you need any clarifications, channel your questions through: excelyouth@irex.org