

Funding Opportunities for Local Civil Society Organizations: Strengthening Social Cohesion in Sri Lanka

The Asia Foundation is implementing the 'Strengthening Social Cohesion in Sri Lanka' project with support from Global Affairs Canada. The project will provide funding opportunities to selected district level Civil Society Organizations (CSOs) operating in one of the following districts within Sri Lanka: **Kalutara, Galle, Badulla, Trincomalee, Batticaloa, Ampara, Jaffna, Mannar, Kurunegala, Kandy**. Organizations operating in multiple districts but within a single province will also be considered.



Grants will be awarded to selected CSOs to support projects that promote social cohesion, for example on key issues such as:

- i. Ensuring improved safety and security for local communities, especially women and girls.*
- ii. Ensuring all communities have equitable access to local information and services and are meaningfully engaged in inclusive dialogue/decision making with local government service providers.*
- iii. Enabling young men and women to better understand shared values that underpin constructive dialogue between diverse communities and the role that these values play in strengthening inter-community relations and civic responsibility.*

Application Deadline: September 17, 2021, 5:00 pm

Estimated Funding Level: Applicants can apply for grants up to a maximum of USD 35,000 (exchange rate: USD 1= LKR 198).

Award Implementation Period: The implementation period for grants is between 6 to 12 months.

Eligibility Criteria: Funding will be limited to not-for-profit, registered, local Civil Society Organizations operated within the districts mentioned. Eligibility criteria is further explained in 'Information and Guideline' document.

For more information and application materials: [Click here](#)

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