

# **Application Criteria**

To ensure the fund reaches those most in need and aligns with its mission, we have established clear application criteria for submitting a valid application.

Organizations and individuals applying for support must meet the following requirements:

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Applicants must demonstrate that their work directly supports LGBTQ individuals or communities impacted by:

- Humanitarian emergencies (e.g. forced displacement)
- Social crises (e.g., political oppression leading to displacement, systemic discrimination leading to displacement)

### 2. Alignment with the Fund's Goals

Applications should align with the Crisis Response Fund's core objectives, including:

- Providing immediate relief and support to LGTQ communities affected by displacement
- Building resilience and long-term solutions for those affected by or experiencing displacement
- Advancing human rights and dignity during crisis that could be a driver of displacement

### 3. Eligible Organizations

The following groups are eligible to apply:

- **Non-Profit Organizations:** Must have legal registration and a track record of effective work in crisis response and displacement
- Community-Based Grassroots Organizations: Registered or unregistered grassroots organization groups directly serving affected LGBTQI+ populations in a crisis such as displacement
- Individual Advocates or Experts: With a proven ability to lead impactful initiatives or projects that provide solutions to tackling displacement



#### 4. Geographic Scope

Applicants are advised to refer to the relevant geographic region when applying. Each funding round is specific to a certain region at that time. The fund prioritizes applications from regions experiencing:

- Existing and/or emerging crises or emergencies with insufficient resources
- Acute needs due to systemic neglect or geopolitical challenges

#### 5. Exclusions

The following are not eligible for funding:

- Political campaigns or lobbying activities
- For-profit enterprises
- Projects that do not align with the fund's mission or fail to demonstrate measurable impact for LGBTQ, refugee/IDP communities

## **Additional Considerations**

- **Diversity and Inclusion:** Priority will be given to initiatives that serve marginalized or vulnerable populations, including LGBTQ+ individuals, refugees facing displacement. And those offering creative solutions for tackling displacement challenges.
- Intersectionality: Priority will be given to queer-led organizations and those having a refugee and/or Internally Displaced Persons focus
- **Timeliness:** Projects that can deliver rapid impact within the crisis timeline will be prioritized