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Dear Newsletter Recipients,

Warmest regards,

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Open Letter of Invitation to FBCI Workshop in Kansas City, Missouri

Dear Friends,

The U.S. Agency for International Development cordially invites you to attend our complimentary workshop for faith-based and community organizations on partnering with the United States Government.

The United States Government's ability to effectively respond to the need for food security is crucial to fostering goodwill around the globe. However, it has become apparent through our office's contact with various organizations, that many potential new partners experience difficulties in collaborating with the United States Government (USG), and particularly with the United States Agency for International Development (USAID), in the areas of food security.

This workshop will discuss the United States Government's strategies in achieving food security and helpful tips for working with governments in strained areas. The centerpiece of this workshop is a panel of experts from USAID, NGOs, and recent prime partners. The panel will discuss the opportunities available to small and medium-sized NGOs to partner with the United States Government. As this workshop is also intended to build collaboration among participants, we ask that all participants please bring a short summary or handout outlining their organization's work with water resources.

The meeting will take place in the Washington Room of the Westin Crown Center Hotel (1 East Pershing Road, Kansas City, MO 64108) on Monday, April 14 from 9:00 – 11:30 a.m. Please e-mail Malise Tepera (mtepera@usaid.gov) to RSVP before Friday, April 11 or to submit any questions you may have. As space is limited, please be sure to register as soon as possible.

We thank each of you and your organizations' continued representation of America's compassion toward those in need around the world. We hope you will be able to participate and look forward to your involvement.

Sincerely,

Terri Hasdorff
Director, Center for Faith-Based and Community Initiatives

To view the flyer, please [click here](#).

Upcoming Events

Additional Articles

Federal Funding Opportunities

USAID

USAID has posted a cooperative agreement for US Nongovernmental or Non-US Nongovernmental Organizations that meet Eligibility Requirements as described in the Request For Applications (RFA). The request for applications should focus program objectives to: (1) improve housing through financial services targeted to the poor and very poor in the developing world and (2) through participation in a learning network, generate replicable processes, tools and methodologies for scaling up the housing microfinance sector. Subject to the availability of funds, USAID intends to award approximately 4 to 8 cooperative agreements, valued between \$400,000- \$1.2 Million, for a total value of \$4 Million over a three-year performance period. USAID reserves the right to fund any or none of the applications submitted. As of March 21, 2008 the closing date for this announcement is March 25, 2008. For more information as well as contact information for the acquisition specialist, [click here](#).

Jordan USAID-Amman has posted an unrestricted cooperative agreement for a community mobilization School Construction and Rehabilitation Program. The primary stakeholders (students, teachers, principals, parents and other community members) are involved in the implementation of school construction by providing their insight, opinions, specific needs, expectations and also available skills. For more details, please refer to Section I of the RFA. As of March 21, 2008 the closing date for this announcement is March 26, 2008. For more information as well as contact information for the acquisition specialist, [click here](#).

Kazakhstan USAID-Almaty has posted an unrestricted cooperative agreement for a human rights program in Uzbekistan. USAID is seeking applications from all qualified organizations for a human rights program that benefits Uzbekistan. Under this two year program, USAID/Central Asian Republics (USAID/CAR) seeks to support activities which protect, promote and enforce human rights. As of March 21, 2008 the closing date for this announcement is March 26, 2008. For more information as well as contact information for the acquisition specialist, [click here](#).

USAID has posted an unrestricted cooperative agreement for food and technical assistance activities. To access the RFA, read more about FANTA II activities, or obtain contact information for the acquisition specialist, [click here](#). As of March 21, 2008 the closing date for this announcement is March 28, 2008.

Guinea USAID-Conakry has posted an unrestricted cooperative agreement seeking RFAs. They are seeking full applications from prospective partners to implement activities to enhance democratic governance, foster economic growth and improve natural resource management to the benefit of the people of Sierra Leone. The program is to be designed and implemented with an integrated, comprehensive, multi-sector approach, addressing the U.S. Foreign Assistance Framework Objectives. As of March 21, 2008 the closing date for this announcement is March 31, 2008. For more information as well as contact information for the acquisition specialist, [click here](#).

Hungary USAID-Budapest has posted unrestricted cooperative agreement to maintain a low number and possibly even reduce the current number of victims of trafficking. The purpose is to improve the long-term reintegration services and increase participation of community stakeholders in prevention activities. The program will support the Government of Kosovo activities to implement the future action plan to combat trafficking in human beings. As of March 21, 2008 the closing date for this announcement is April 14, 2008. For more information as well as contact information for the acquisition specialist, [click here](#).

Madagascar USAID-Antananarivo has posted an unrestricted cooperative agreement for social marketing programs for child, maternal, and reproductive health products and services. The purpose of this program is to expand and build upon the achievements of USAID's previous Social Marketing and Behavior Change program in Madagascar. The overall aim of this program is to contribute to the improvement of the health status of the Malagasy people, especially women and children. This will be accomplished through a social marketing project designed to improve health among key target groups by ensuring widespread access to affordable, high-quality family planning, reproductive health, HIV prevention, malaria prevention and treatment, diarrhea disease prevention and treatment, STI treatment, and safe water treatment products. Special focus will be given to social marketing activities designed to expand the reach of essential health products and services further into rural and underserved areas. The solicitation will also target youth age 15-24 in order to assist them to delay onset of sexual debut, delay pregnancy, and protect themselves from unwanted pregnancy and STIs including HIV. As of March 21, 2008 the closing date for this announcement is April 14, 2008. For more information as well as contact information for the acquisition specialist, [click here](#).

Senegal USAID-Dakar has posted an unrestricted cooperative agreement seeking applications from organizations for a cooperative agreement to fund a program entitled "Enabling Quality, Access, and Transparency in Education for Senegal". As of March 21, 2008 the closing date for this announcement is April 28, 2008. For more information as well as contact information for the acquisition specialist, [click here](#).

Dominican Republic USAID-Santo Domingo has posted an APS announcing USAID's intention to awarding multiple grants. Eligible applicants are Dominican NGOs operating legally under Dominican law, foreign organizations operating under the relevant Dominican laws and that have the required clearance to operate in the Dominican Republic from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. The RFA is seeking project proposals to administer aid for the Out of School and At Risk Children and Youth program. Applicants must specify the length of time and requested funding level in the submitted concept paper. As of March 21, 2008 the closing date for this announcement is April 30, 2008. For more information as well as contact information for the acquisition specialist, [click here](#).

The US Agency for International Development Food for Peace grant announcement has been posted on Grants.gov. Eligible applicants include U.S. non-profit organizations and Public International Organization (PIO). Applications may request a maximum of 75 metric tons (MT) of commodities (currently valued at approximately \$173,000) and up to \$100,000 of funding. It is not mandatory, however, that these exact levels be requested or in this proportion. (Note: Funding is available for costs directly associated with the movement, management and monitoring of IFRP commodities. Funding will not be considered for the following costs: vehicle purchase, project materials, tools and office

equipment.) To read more about USAID's Office of Food for Peace (FFP) and to obtain a link to fiscal year 2008 IFRP Guidelines and Procedures, [click here](#). To access the announcement on Grants.gov and for contact information for the acquisition specialist, [click here](#). As of March 21, 2008 the closing date for this announcement is June 2, 2008.

US Agency for International Development has posted an unrestricted cooperative agreement to solicit partners to implement activities in support of creative and timely responses to encourage the abandonment of traditional practices that promote and condone gender-based violence. USAID is specifically interested in those traditional harmful practices that have received limited attention from the development community. The geographic focus under consideration is USAID's geographic definitions of Africa and Asia & the Near East (ANE). To access the announcement as well as contact information for the acquisition specialist, [click here](#). As of March 21, 2008 the closing date for this announcement is June 12, 2008.

US Agency for International Development has posted an unrestricted grant announcement seeking partners to meet the critical basic needs of internally displaced people and returnee populations (both old and new caseload) in Kabul Province. To access the announcement as well as contact information for the acquisition specialist, [click here](#). As of March 21, 2008 the closing date for this announcement is June 21, 2008.

US Agency for International Development has posted a cooperative agreement for registered U.S. and non-U.S. NGOs, non-profit, and for profit organizations willing to forego profit. The purpose of the Annual Program Statement is to solicit applications for funding. The United States Government, through USAID/Washington and in close collaboration with USAID/Cotonou, USAID/Nairobi, USAID/Pretoria, and USAID/Lusaka, is seeking full applications from prospective partners to implement activities in support of creative and timely responses to the USAID-related components of the Presidential Women's Justice and Empowerment Initiative (WJEI). To access the announcement as well as contact information for the acquisition specialist, [click here](#). As of March 21, 2008 the closing date for this announcement is July 23, 2008.

Ethiopia USAID-Addis Ababa has posted an unrestricted cooperative agreement to solicit applications for funding from prospective new partners to support implementation of the United States Government's President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief (hereafter referred to as Emergency Plan or also referred to as PEPFAR) in Ethiopia. The United States Government, through USAID/Ethiopia, is seeking, from prospective partners, concept papers to be followed by full applications (if concept papers are selected) to implement activities in support of the Prevention for at Risk Populations in High Prevalence Urban Areas in Ethiopia. The U.S. Government Mission in Ethiopia anticipates awarding a limited number of grants or cooperative agreements (hereafter called Agreements) for a period of no less than one year and no more than three years. Meanwhile, depending on successful implementation, needs and availability of funds, the period of performance could be extended by one or two additional years. To access the announcement as well as contact information for the acquisition specialist, [click here](#). As of March 21, 2008 the closing date for this announcement is July 31, 2008.

USAID has posted a grant notice for conflict mitigation and reconciliation programs (with possible multiple awards). The Office of Conflict Management and Mitigation (DCHA/CMM) within USAID's Bureau for Democracy, Conflict and Humanitarian Assistance (DCHA) invites applications from U.S. and non-U.S. non-profit or for-profit non-governmental organizations (NGOs), international organizations (IOs) and other qualified non-U.S. Government (USG) organizations (including faith-based organizations and community based organizations) to carry out activities, under grants or cooperative agreements, that support conflict mitigation and reconciliation programs and activities that bring together individuals of different ethnic, religious or political backgrounds from areas of civil conflict and violence in the countries listed below. A program performance period of up to twenty-four (24) months is anticipated for each award -- between \$100,000 to \$600,000 each. As of March 21, 2008 the closing date for this announcement is August 12, 2008. For more information as well as contact information for the acquisition specialist, [click here](#).

Department of State

PRM Thailand has posted a cooperative agreement for nonprofits having 501(c)(3) status and international organizations. They are accepting applications from non-governmental organizations and international organizations for assistance to refugee populations in Thailand. This program will have three deadlines: Dec. 16 for proposals for health care/other assistance in Ban Mae Nai Soi and Ban Mae Surin camps (Mae Hong Son sites 1&2); Feb. 1 for proposals for food assistance; and Apr. 1 for health care services/water/sanitation/other assistance in Umpiem Mai, Nu Po, and Ban Don Yang camps. To access the announcement as well as contact information for the acquisition specialist, [click here](#).

The Bureau of Population, Refugees and Migration has posted a cooperative agreement for nonprofits with 501 (C)(3) status that are not institutions of higher learning and for international organizations. They are seeking applications from non-governmental organizations and international organizations for assistance to Afghan refugees in Pakistan and recent returnees in Afghanistan. This program will have two deadlines: February 25 for projects beginning in May and June, and April 18 for projects beginning in July through September. Please consult the full announcement for additional details and priority areas in Afghanistan and Pakistan. To access the announcement as well as contact information for the acquisition specialist, [click here](#).

For all federal grant notices, visit grants.gov.

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