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## **NEW** PARTNERSHIPS **INITIATIVE**

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The USAID of tomorrow will enable partner countries to plan, resource, and manage their own development through strengthened capacity and commitment—this is both the essence of the Journey to Self-Reliance and a key rationale for diversifying the USAID partner base.

The New Partnerships Initiative (NPI) will allow USAID to work with a more diverse range of partners, strengthen existing partner relationships, and provide more entry points for organizations to work with the Agency. The principles behind NPI are outlined in the Agency's first-ever [Acquisition and Assistance \(A&A\) Strategy](#).

Under NPI, USAID will engage new and underutilized partners through a series of solicitations designed to help countries be self-reliant and meet the needs of their people. NPI focuses on three key approaches:

- Direct awards to new and underutilized organizations that enable local

engagement such as local entities, locally established partners, as well as new U.S. and locally-based small businesses.

- Sub-awards to new and underutilized local organizations designed to support more facilitative partnerships for effective local engagement.
- Direct awards to partners to leverage significant private/non-U.S. government funding to promote effective local engagement.

Learn more about NPI

Take our website survey.

Your responses will help us to determine the best ways to present information to work successfully with USAID. [Take the survey >>](#)



## NPI Partner Webinar

Access the NPI informational webinar that covers:

- USAID's Acquisition and Assistance Strategy
- Guiding Principles of Partnering
- Why Diversify?
- Goals of NPI
- NPI Partnering Approaches
- NPI Sub-award Approaches
- How Co-creation Works Under NPI
- Information on process, progress, and programs.



Watch the webinar now



## USAID and The Aga Khan Foundation Work to Increase the Impact of Local Organizations in Central Asia

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On Monday, the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) and the Aga Khan Foundation (AKF) announced a \$37.5 million partnership to help reconnect communities and promote cross-border relationships in the Kyrgyz Republic and Tajikistan. The partnership, Local Impact, will enable communities in the two countries to plan, fund, and manage their own development by using a co-creation process whereby they develop their own solutions in collaboration with USAID and the AKF. Over the next five years, pending annual appropriations, Local Impact could expand to other parts of Asia and Africa.

As part of USAID's New Partnerships Initiative, Local Impact will have a special emphasis on investing in human potential and expanding opportunity and improving overall quality of life, especially for youth, women, and girls. Local Impact will work with local communities to accelerate inclusive economic growth and strengthen basic livelihoods; build local capacity to meet development challenges; and promote pluralism and social cohesion, which foster greater stability and prosperity in the region.



# New Funding Opportunities on the Business Forecast

## Advancing the Evidence Base and Community Building - Research

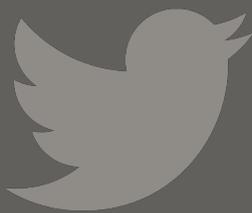
The Advancing the Evidence Base and Community Building - Research activity is designed to increase the impact that USAID's education investments have on learning and education outcomes. It will focus on: developing and adaptively managing education sector learning agendas; and carrying out applied research related to those learning agendas. The procurement of this activity will be aligned with the objectives and parameters of the New Partnerships Initiative (NPI) – an initiative to allow USAID to work with a more diverse range of partners. [More >>](#)

## YouthPower2: Learning through Action

The purpose of the YouthPower2 - Learning through Action (YP2LA) activity is to advance the global evidence base on effective approaches for cross-sectoral youth programming through investment in positive youth development (PYD) action research and learning. The procurement of this activity will be aligned with the objectives and parameters of the New Partnerships Initiative (NPI) – an initiative to allow USAID to work with a more diverse range of partners. [More >>](#)

## W-GDP\_New Partnerships Initiative

New activity for GEWE, for \$10 million in FY19 funds to the New Partnerships Initiative (NPI) to attract qualified partners to support GEWE's work in promoting women's economic empowerment by addressing constraints identified through the Women's Global Development and Prosperity (W-GDP) Initiative. [More >>](#)



“Our goal as an Agency in diversifying and changing how we partner is not to move away from our traditional partners but to engage with them to turbocharge the work we are doing to support J2SR.”

— @USAID's Kimberly Rosen at the @PSCSpeaks & @IntDevCompanies Conference. #PSCdev19

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## Resources



### The NPI Process

Through NPI, we've simplified the process of working with USAID. Applicants can submit a short five-page concept note. From there, the Agency works hand-in-hand with the applicant.



### Key NPI Definitions

What's a new partner or underutilized partner? Read about USAID's New Partnerships Initiative's definition of terms that guide funding decisions.



### Working with USAID

USAID has a host of resources available online for businesses and organizations that are new to working with the Agency. Click on the link above to access those resources.

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Visit [usaid.gov/NPI](https://www.usaid.gov/NPI) for the latest funding opportunities.

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