Center for Faith and Opportunity Initiatives (CFOI)

2020 Video Contest Rules

SPONSOR

The Sponsor is the U.S. Agency for International Development’s Center for Faith and Opportunity Initiatives (CFOI).

DESCRIPTION

CFOI is holding a contest to collect video footage illustrating the impact of USAID-funded projects implemented by faith- or community-based organizations. Winners will be included in a USAID video highlighting the key role these groups play in global development and humanitarian aid.

TIMELINE

- August 10th, 2020: Contest opened
- September 14th, 2020 at 5:00 PM ET: Contest closes
- October 2020: Winners hear back from CFOI
- November 2020: Video released

WHO MAY ENTER

The contest is open to faith- or community-based organizations that are currently receiving USAID funding or have received USAID funding in the past.

HOW TO ENTER

- Each contestant may submit up to ten minutes of footage in up to three separate videos.
- The contest will only accept footage in high resolution (at least 1920 x 1080 with a bitrate between 2MB - 10MB/second)
- The footage must illustrate an action and convey the impact of a USAID-funded project implemented by a faith- or community-based organization. Footage that prominently feature the USAID logo are encouraged.
- The footage along with the “Video Contest Release Form” and “Contest Entry Form” must be emailed to cfoi@usaid.gov by 5:00PM ET on August 31st, 2020.
- The footage, in its entirety, must be a single work of original material taken by the Contest entrant or its affiliates. By entering the Contest, entrant represents, acknowledges, and warrants that the submitted footage is an original work created solely by the entrant or its affiliates, that the footage does not infringe on the copyrights, trademarks, moral rights, rights of privacy/publicity or intellectual property rights of any person or entity, and that no other party has any right, title, claim, or interest in the video footage.
CONTEST PRIZE

Winning contestants will be featured in a USAID video illustrating the impact of the Agency’s faith- and community-based partners. The video will be shared across USAID’s external communications channels, including but not limited to its social media accounts, website, Exposure blog platform, and CFOI’s newsletter.

JUDGING

A USAID committee will select the winners. The Committee will consist of CFOI staff who will not be eligible to enter the contest. Judges’ supervisors will also not be eligible to enter.

RELEASES

If the footage contains any material or elements that are not owned by the entrant and/or which are subject to the rights of third parties, and/or if any persons appear in the footage, the contestant is responsible for obtaining, prior to submission of the footage, any and all releases and consents necessary to permit the exhibition and use of the footage in the manner set forth in these Official Rules without additional compensation.

By signing the personal release form, the contestant authorizes USAID to reproduce, distribute, display, and create derivative works of the entry in any media now or hereafter known. The contestant must be able to provide such releases upon request as a requirement to qualify in the Contest or an alternate candidate will be selected.

LICENSE

By entering the Contest, all entrants grant a royalty-free, irrevocable, perpetual, worldwide non-exclusive license to sponsor reproduce, distribute, display and create derivative works of the entries (along with a name credit) in connection with the Contest and promotion of the Contest, in any media now or hereafter known, including, but not limited to: posting on various sites online, including social media sites, and showing at USAID events.

Display or publication of any entry on a website does not indicate the entrant will be selected as a winner. Sponsor will not be required to pay any additional consideration or seek any additional approval in connection with such use. Additionally, by entering, each entrant grants to USAID the unrestricted right to use all statements made in connection with the Contest, and pictures or likenesses of Contest entrants, or choose not to do so, at their sole discretion. Sponsor will not be required to pay any additional consideration or seek any additional approval in connection with such use.

LIMITATION OF LIABILITY

By entering this Contest, all entrants agree to release, discharge, and hold harmless USAID, and its partners, affiliates, subsidiaries, officers, directors, and representatives from any claims, losses, and
damages arising out of their participation in this Contest or any Contest-related activities and the acceptance and use, misuse, or possession of any prize awarded hereunder.

USAID assumes no responsibility for any error, omission, interruption, deletion, defect, or delay in operation or transmission; communications line failure; theft or destruction of or unauthorized access to Contest entries or entry forms; or alteration of entries. USAID is not responsible for any problems with or technical malfunction of any telephone network or lines, computer online systems, servers or providers, computer equipment, software, failure of any email entry to be received on account of technical problems or traffic congestion on the Internet or at any website, human errors of any kind, or any combination thereof, including any injury or damage to entrants' or any other persons' computers related to or resulting from participation, uploading or downloading of any materials related to in this Contest.

CONDITIONS

Entries are void if USAID determines the footage to not be original, or if the entries are illegible, incomplete, damaged, irregular, altered, counterfeit, produced in error or obtained through fraud or theft.

By entering, entrants also agree (a) to be bound by these Official Rules; (b) that the decisions of USAID are final and binding with respect to all matters relating to the Contest; and (c) if the entrant wins that Sponsor may use the winning videographer’s and each winner's name, footage, likeness, and/or voice in any publicity or advertising relating to the Contest or future promotions without compensation or approval (except where prohibited by law).

USAID reserves the right to verify the validity and originality of any entry and/or entrant (including an entrant's identity and address) and to disqualify any entrant who submits an entry that is not in accordance with these Official Rules or who tampers with the entry process. Failure by USAID to enforce any of its rights at any stage does not constitute a waiver of those rights.

RIGHT TO CANCEL OR SUSPEND CONTEST

USAID may cancel or suspend the contest for any reason. USAID reserves the right, at its sole discretion to cancel, terminate, modify, or suspend the Contest. If Sponsor elects to cancel or terminate the Contest, Sponsor will not retain any rights in the submitted footage, and will return the entry.

QUESTIONS

Questions about CFOI’s Video Contest may be emailed to hmoen@usaid.gov with the subject line “Video Contest Question.”