



TogetHER for Health's Cervical Cancer Grants Program

May 7, 2025

The Cervical Cancer Grants Program to Date

History & Impact

- Launched in 2019 to support existing programs innovate and scale successful models for prevention in LMICs
- In 2021, updated request for proposals to include both a “demand side – track 1” and “supply side – track 2” track to ensure a balanced mix of interventions were included; examples of each track included in RFP
- Have granted a total \$300,000 USD for 11 proposals in 9 countries across 3 continents to date
- In 2024, 226 proposals submitted; 76% (n=171) for track 1 and 24% (n=55) for track 2

New for 2025-2026

- Updating submission process to make it more consistent and concise for applicants
- [**Online Grants Portal**](#)
- Additional transparency on evaluation criteria

Timeline

Thursday, April 24th - RFP launch

Friday, May 2nd - Last day to submit questions on the RFP to info@togetherforhealth.org

Wednesday, May 7th - Webinar on application process and Q&A for potential applicants.

Friday, May 30th - All applications due by 6:00 pm EDT.

Successful applicants will be notified in July, 2025 and will undergo a due diligence review pending formal awarding of the grant.

Awards will be disbursed in August, 2025.

TFH Review Process

Three review stages:

- 1. Initial Review (Internal):** Country eligibility; Organizational eligibility; Demonstrated track record in CxCa prevention; Budget review.
- 2. Second Phase (Internal):** Internal content review by track based on evaluation criteria in RFP appendix. Scores based on 20-point evaluation rubric that is identical across tracks. Top 5 scores from each track move to third phase.
- 3. Third Phase (External):** TFH reviewers and invited external reviewers evaluate using the same criteria to determine one or more winners per track. TFH reserves the right to award multiple grants per track.



TFH Grants Program Recipient Grounds for Health, Kenya.

Evaluation Criteria

1. Problem Statement (award up to 2 points):

- The applicant demonstrates a clear understanding of the problem in the proposed geography.
- The proposal clearly describes the barriers they will address.

2. Project Plan / Technical Approach / Feasibility (award up to 6 points)

- There is a clear rationale for the target population(s) chosen.
- The proposed intervention is realistic and feasible.
- The budget is realistic and sufficient to carry out the proposed activities.
- The maximum budget is \$30,000 USD. Applicants are required to demonstrate co-funding from other sources.

3. Organizational Capability / Expertise (award up to 2 points)

- The organization has a demonstrated track record of experience in cervical cancer prevention.
- The team is well-qualified to carry out the proposed activities.



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Cameroon Baptist Convention Health Services, Cameroon.*

Evaluation Criteria Cont'd.

4. Impact (award up to 6 points):

- The proposal sets feasible, measurable goals.
- The proposal clearly articulates a monitoring/evaluation plan to evaluate its progress and achievements.
- The project is designed to generate learning via a novel strategy, use/expansion of a new technology, or other innovation that can be shared to others in this field.

5. Sustainability (award up to 4 points)

- The project demonstrates a pathway for sustainability beyond the life of the project. (transfer to national stakeholders, skill transfer to govt counterparts, co-funding and/or buy-in from local govt).
- There is a high likelihood that the project can be replicated elsewhere.

Common Barriers to Eligibility

Basing programs on established screening technologies. Our Grants Program does not consider programs evaluating cytology-based screening (i.e. pap smears).

Requesting support for purchase of HPV vaccines. Supplies can be purchased via our Grants Program but we specifically exclude purchase of HPV vaccines.

Requesting support for a for-profit initiative. Funding from our Grants Program is explicitly limited to certified not-for-profit organizations.

Lack of co-funding. Programs that do not show proof of co-funding for their programs from other sources are ineligible.

Submitting proposals via email. Beginning in 2025, we will only consider proposals submitted entirely through our Grants Portal. No supplementary documentation submitted via email can be considered. Please ensure that all documents are prepared prior to filling out the Portal form.

Some Frequently Asked Questions

Our organization's non-profit certification is pending. Can we still apply? Organizations must provide proof of non-profit certification by the application deadline of May 30th.

Can our organization apply under both Track 1 and Track 2? Organizations can submit a maximum of two proposals per RFP cycle, one under each track.

Is there a minimum amount of co-funding from other sources required? There is no minimum required for co-funding, but we do wish to see elements of sustainability, including financial support, beyond the life of the project being submitted.

Is there a maximum percentage or amount for indirect costs? There is no formal indirect cost policy and/or % limit for indirect costs for budgets submitted to the Program. However, applicants are strongly advised to submit budgets that are reasonable and show value for money.

Some Frequently Asked Questions (ctd)

Can I get feedback on my proposal? TogetHER cannot provide any guidance on proposals prior to submission or after awards have been announced.

My organization was selected as an awardee in past cycles. Can I reapply? TogetHER will accept submissions from past awardees, but no awardee can receive funding in three consecutive funding cycles.

Your RFP notes that TogetHER member organizations are given a preference for funding in cases of a tied evaluation score. How can my organization become a member? TogetHER for Health is not currently soliciting new members. We would encourage interested individuals to join our Cervical Cancer Prevention Discussion Group on LinkedIn to connect with others working in cervical cancer prevention.

Brief Q&A

**If time allows, we can take a few more questions
until the end of this webinar session!**



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