

# CALL FOR PROPOSALS

## ALTERNATIVE LIVELIHOODS FOR VIBRANT FOREST COMMUNITIES

The Environmental Foundation of Jamaica (EFJ) in collaboration with the Forestry Department, through funding support provided by the European Union (EU), presents this Call for Proposals. Call 2020 falls under the Forestry Department's EU Budget Support Programme titled - 'Addressing Environmental and Climate Change challenges through Improved Forest Management in Jamaica'

*For this Call special focus is being placed on Upscaling Gender Sensitive Alternative Livelihoods to support the sustainable utilization of Forest resources for local communities, and entities may submit proposals in the following areas\*:*

- **AGRO-FORESTRY**
- **REFORESTATION\***
- **URBAN FORESTRY**
- **MEDICINAL / NUTRACEUTICAL PRODUCTS**
- **BAMBOO UTILIZATION**
- **YAM STICK PRODUCTION**
- **SMART AGRICULTURE AND WATER CATCHMENT AREAS**  
(Drought resistant plants highly encouraged)
- **RAINWATER HARVESTING**
- **APICULTURE**
- **ECO-TOURISM**
- **CRAFT ITEM PRODUCTION**

*\*Where planting or the maintenance of tree cover is a component of the project proposal the utilisation of species deemed to be alien invasive, and included in the list provided by the Forestry Department, is strictly prohibited. (Please see our website for list of invasive species [www.efj.org.jm](http://www.efj.org.jm)). At least 50% native species.*

*\*Entities may contact our Programme Officers for clarity on the above areas*

### ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA FOR ACCESSING GRANTS

Grants for this Forestry Department Call may be accessed by community based organizations (CBOs), non-governmental organizations (NGOs) and other civil society groups (CSGs) for clearly defined high priority activities in Alternative Livelihoods.

1. Each CBO/NGO/CSG must be registered in Jamaica as a non-profit entity, a cooperative or a society. Each organization must display evidence of the existence of:
  - a. An executive body,
  - b. Annual financial statements,
  - c. Minutes of their meetings, and
  - d. Evidence that the community or stakeholders are aware of the project and its likely impact.
2. Special consideration will be given to women's groups, youth groups and groups with persons with differentiated abilities.
3. Projects cannot negatively impact the Aichi biodiversity targets. (Targets can be found on our website [www.efj.org.jm](http://www.efj.org.jm))

### APPLICATION PERIOD

Proposals for the Call will only be accepted during the period March 9 – April 9, 2020. Proposals received outside of this designated Call period or outside of the criteria above **will not** be considered.

Proposals must be signed and submitted to the EFJ office address 1b Norwood Avenue, Kingston 5, or by email ([grants@efj.org.jm](mailto:grants@efj.org.jm)) no later than 3:30 pm on the last date published for the Call (**April 9, 2020**).

### APPLICATION FORMS

The Application Form (GA4-C Form) and Information Sheet may be obtained at the offices of the EFJ, and on the website of the Forestry Department [www.forestry.gov.jm](http://www.forestry.gov.jm) and on the EFJ's website at [www.efj.org.jm](http://www.efj.org.jm).

### Processing of Proposals

Receipt and Appraisal of proposals involves a four-phase process:

1. **Receipt** - Applicants will receive a written receipt of proposals at the time of delivery.
2. **Screening** - to determine
  - a. If the proposal fits within the theme(s) of the call, and
  - b. If the applicant organisation is eligible for funding.
3. **Review** - to determine suitability for recommendation by the Technical Committee.
4. **Approval** - by the relevant parties.

You are welcome to discuss your queries or needs with any of the following Programme Staff at the Foundation:

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**EFJ offices are open Mondays to Fridays,**

**8:30am – 4:30pm at**

**1B Norwood Avenue, Kingston 5.**