

Environmental Foundation of Jamaica

INFORMATION ON CALL FOR PROPOSALS

CALL 2021: May 3 – June 10

The Environmental Foundation of Jamaica (EFJ) is a grant making institution established to provide funding to NGOs involved in the management and sustainable use of Jamaica's natural resources, and in issues of child survival and child development.

The Call

The EFJ will be issuing a CALL for proposals which is a public Request for Proposals (RFP) for eligible organisations to submit applications for grant awards. Applications must fit within a theme of the current call.

Application Forms

The Application Form (GA1 Form) is available at the offices of the EFJ, and on the Internet at www.efj.org.jm

Processing of Proposals

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

1. **Receipt Notification** - Applicants will be notified of receipt of proposals within five (5) working days of submission.
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 Grant Management Committee.
4. **Approval** by the Board of Directors.

The Environmental Foundation of Jamaica (EFJ) invites proposals for Grant Funding from eligible organisations that meet the criteria outlined below:

CLIMATE CHANGE ADAPTATION AND PROTECTED AREAS / WATERSHED CONSERVATION

Climate Change Adaptation with a focus on:

Climate Smart Agro-businesses

- Agro-processing businesses: Rehabilitation/Retrofitting/Expansion of Infrastructure for storage or processing of agricultural products

Climate Resilient Cropping Systems

- Aquaponics
- Greenhouse farming
- Propagation/Use of climate resilient crops

Water Management

- Water conservation
- Water recycling systems
- Rain water collection
- Small water systems to support water-deprived communities
- Small irrigation measures (Establishment/Rehabilitation of small water systems to support sustainable agricultural practice in isolated communities for income generation)

Protected Areas / Watershed Conservation:

Natural Disaster Risk Reduction:

- In coastal communities by mangrove rehabilitation and coastal forest education.

Reforestation:

- Improving forest ecology through forest threat mitigation (forest fires, invasive species removal etc.) and planting seedlings and/or direct seeding in forest reserves.
- Rehabilitation or regeneration of degraded forested lands
- Establishing new forests
- Agroforestry

Alternative Livelihoods:

- Building the climate resilience of forest reserve buffer zone communities and or communities around Protected Areas by expanding or improving existing alternative livelihood initiatives

PLEASE NOTE: All applications under the Protected Areas / Watershed Conservation theme must identify the forested area that is threatened, and include details of the threat and its extent, supported by corroborating information of this from the Forestry Department Jamaica, any other relevant Ministry, Department and/or Agency, applicable academic, and/or other research.

Demonstrated co-funding and independent income generation is an asset for all proposals. All relevant permits are required for final approval of projects. Participatory and other Pre-Programme Planning activities will be considered in proposals

Approval Criteria

Project proposals should be aligned with national priorities, deal with systemic issues, and produce replicable and/or sustainable results.

Projects, which demonstrate collaboration and partnerships, (financial or otherwise) are strongly encouraged.

Budgets must be appropriate. (Note: for Climate Change Adaptation projects only, a maximum of J\$5,000,000.00 can be approved per grant.)

Project duration should be:

- no more than 1 year (12 Months for Climate Change Adaptation projects
- no more than 3 years (36 months) Protected Areas/Watershed Conservation projects.

Guidelines for Application

- ✓ Applicants must prepare proposals in accordance with the EFJ format shown on the GA1 form **Call 2021**.
- ✓ Forms used in previous Calls will not be accepted.
- ✓ ***Forms will not be accepted by FAX.***
- ✓ Proposals received outside of the designated Call Period or outside of the themes and sub-themes (as outlined on page one) **will not** be considered.

All sections of the Call 2021 GA1 form must be completed for consideration and where a word limit is indicated on the form, the limit is **NOT** to be exceeded.

Proposals, which do not meet the guidelines, will not be considered.

Additional Information

Proposals must be signed and submitted to the EFJ office address, or by email (grants@efj.org.jm) *no later than* 3:30 pm on the last date published for the Call (**Thursday, June 10, 2021**). As Grant awards are made on the merit of the proposals, please ensure that the information recorded is clear, accurate and justifies your request.

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

- Charmine Webber
- Mark Constable

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