FUNDING PROCESS: How Civil Society Can Engage

1 PREPARATORY STAGE

The Global Fund determines eligibility for and the amount of funding according to factors such as disease burden, economic capacity, and responsiveness to the needs of girls and young women.

What communities can do at this stage: **Prepare early by developing an understanding of Community, Rights and Gender (CRG) priorities and collate evidence to support plans.**

2 MULTI-STAKEHOLDER PROCESSES

Country Dialogues: Start of engagements and consultations in the multi-stakeholder country coordinating mechanisms (CCM) for initiating funding requests.

What communities can do at this stage: **Get to know your CCM, participate in consultations and communicate your priorities. You can also seek support from Technical Assistance teams through APCRG.**

3 APPLICATION PROCESS

Various stakeholders including key populations, affected communities, and civil society should have a continuous dialogue to ensure that perspectives are well represented in the interventions to be funded.

What communities can do at this stage: **Ensure continuous dialogue among stakeholders in developing the interventions to be funded.**

4 NATIONAL STRATEGIC PLAN DEVELOPMENT

As the application process is proceeding, civil society needs to participate in the National Strategic Plan review and development by providing data, strategies, and evidence.

What communities can do at this stage: **Participate in distilling their data, strategies, and evidence. Prioritize inclusion of CRG issues and interventions.**

5 FUNDING REQUEST DEVELOPMENT

At this stage, CCMs will identify eligible disease interventions including interventions to ensure resilient and sustainable systems for health, or a combination of these, in the funding request.

What communities can do at this stage: **Help identify and propose necessary interventions that Global Fund can support**

6 REVIEW

Global Fund will employ five-distinct application approaches for evaluating funding requests depending on the status of existing funded programs, disease burden, and capacity to transition out of the Fund.

What communities can do at this stage: **Gather documentation and data that can help inform the review.**

7 GRANT-MAKING

At this point, CCM and Global Fund team will work together to work the details of the grant and set key milestones, indicators, and work plan measures.

What communities can do at this stage: **Help the CCM set the details of the grant by setting targets, milestones, indicators, and work plan.**

8 APPROVAL

At the end of the approval process, CCMs will be informed if the request has been approved or may need revision.

What communities can do at this stage: **Get informed of the final approved work plan and grant.**

9 GRANT IMPLEMENTATION

Applicants receive notification from the Global Fund if their funding request has been approved.

What communities can do at this stage: **Continued engagement with the CCM to ensure that prioritized programs are reaching their targets and satisfying indicators.**

10 EVALUATION AND REVIEW

This process is done periodically by the PR, the LFA, and reported to the CCM.

What communities can do at this stage: **Contribute to feedback, take note of gaps and best practices, and recommend for next cycle**

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In light of the COVID-19 pandemic, Global Fund-related processes, including CCM meetings have moved virtually. It is important for key population communities and civil society to continuously engage in this process. The Global Fund has developed a guidance note to help guide how these virtual dialogues can take place. You may access the guidance note here: **https://apcaso.org/apcrg/global-fund-updates-on-covid-19/**