

# Grant Basics

Here's What You Should Know  
About GlobalGiving Grants



Photo: *Donate trees to help impoverished families in Peru* by Pachamama Raymi

## GREETINGS!

Your organization is being considered for participation in the **Ford Global Caring Month Program** and as a potential recipient of a Global Caring Month Grant. Global Caring Month is a signature employee volunteer program of Ford Philanthropy, the corporate foundation of Ford Motor Company. Ford Philanthropy invests in communities at a grassroots level by partnering with GlobalGiving as the intermediary grantmaker. Local Ford employee volunteers contribute to positive social change initiatives led by local changemakers in communities.

Ford employees are invited to apply for **grants up to \$10,000 USD** on behalf of local nonprofit organizations to complement their donated time to complete in-person volunteer activities that will take place during the month of September. The GlobalGiving team is excited about the possibility of partnering with you! Here's what you should know about GlobalGiving and our grantmaking process.

## WHO WE ARE

GlobalGiving is a public foundation that connects nonprofits, donors, and companies in nearly every country in the world. We work with funding partners to manage grant programs for a variety of causes. Every grantee is vetted by the GlobalGiving team and we are responsible for ensuring your grant project is executed in compliance with U.S. grantmaking guidelines.

Our mission is to transform aid and philanthropy to accelerate community-led change. For us, that means freeing grantees to focus their time and attention where it's needed most—on the people and communities they serve.

### We currently practice being community led by:



Limiting proposal and reporting **requirements**.



Encouraging general **operating support** and **flexible funding**.



Welcoming **feedback** and **suggestions** from grantees.



Understanding that you, the grantee, are the **expert** on your community—**we will follow your lead**.

As a learning organization, we commit to continually improving our community-led practices. We look forward to learning from you about how we can better serve you as a funder!

## WHAT WE DO

GlobalGiving works with partners such as the Ford Philanthropy to manage charitable giving around the world. We aim to be an effective and transparent grantmaker through our online grant management system, GG Grants. The online system gives you real-time updates on your award status, including the grant agreement, payment, and reporting. GlobalGiving's grants process can be managed entirely using GG Grants.

# GlobalGiving's Grants Process

## Nomination

If your application is selected, Ford Philanthropy recommends your organization to apply for funding through GlobalGiving.

## Invitation

Your organization decides whether you'd like to be considered for the grant program for which you've been nominated. If so, you'll move on to the next step, Eligibility.

## Eligibility

Complete a due diligence application. [Here is a guide](#) to assist you! Your organization will have two weeks to complete this process.

## Award

- Your organization and GlobalGiving sign a grant agreement.
- GlobalGiving sends funds to your organization.

## Implementation

- Begin working on your project.
- Communicate with GlobalGiving if you want or need to make any changes.

## Closeout

- Final report—some grants require a final report, and others do not. If required, a reporting provision will be included in the grant agreement.
- Local Ford employee volunteers may also request support in capturing certain metrics regarding their impact on participating organizations.
- GlobalGiving closes the grant as per the Grant Agreement terms.

## GET INVOLVED

Even if you choose not to accept the nomination and apply for Global Caring Month funding, there are other ways to connect with GlobalGiving:

- [Pathway to GlobalGiving](#) is a community learning experience designed, by GlobalGiving nonprofit partners, to help you:
  - Decide whether GlobalGiving is the right fundraising partner for you
  - Prepare for an upcoming fundraising initiative
  - Connect with a global community of changemakers
- [Learn Library](#)
  - Find tips, tools, and [resources for nonprofits](#) (like yours!) making the world a better place