



**U.S. Embassy  
Windhoek Namibia**

**The President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief (PEPFAR)**

**Community Development Small Grants Program** funded through PEPFAR is an initiative designed to assist communities with innovative projects that provide care and support to orphans and vulnerable children (OVC) and their households. The goal is to improve the standard of living of OVC and/or their households through sustainable community-led projects.

**ELIGIBILITY:**

Locally based organizations are given priority. These include community- and faith-based organizations, neighborhood groups, and institutions of learning.

**PROGRAM OBJECTIVES:**

- To strengthen parents and caregivers so they can provide for their children's basic needs.
- To ensure OVC have continued access to psychosocial care, food, shelter, medical, education, and/or legal services.
- To develop sustainable economic support of OVC households.
- To implement focused interventions that address children's most critical care needs.

**PROJECT CRITERIA SUMMARY:**

- Address an immediate OVC need and be community-led.
- Describe how OVC will be identified and selected.
- Demonstrate the impact to be made on OVC services in the community.
- Have definable and measurable objectives that contribute to OVC care and support.

- Have an income generating activity or other fully documented means to financially sustain the project after PEPFAR funds are expended.
- Include a contribution of funds, materials and/or labor by the local community towards their efforts.
- Be within the means and skills of the community to manage.

**ACTIVITIES NOT ELIGIBLE FOR FUNDING:**

- The program cannot contribute money for stipends, motorized vehicles (or the maintenance of project vehicles), medicine, school uniforms, school fees, bursaries, or personal expenses.
- The program cannot fund private businesses, private crèches, or public schools.

Grants will be awarded for a one-year period. Organizations or community groups that already receive direct funding or substantial support from the U.S. Government are not eligible. Please remember that the Community Grants program receives many applications and has only a limited amount of funds available. The maximum support available for most projects is approximately 150,000 Namibian Dollars (or approximately USD \$15,000). **DEADLINE: May 30, 2015.**

**CONTACT INFORMATION:**

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