

Democracy and Human Rights Funds

The Democracy and Human Rights Fund is used to: promote and defend civil and political rights; strengthen democratic institutions and civil society; and foster democratic values and practices in sub-Saharan African States. It provides grants to indigenous organizations for small, focused, high-impact and short-term activities that promote or defend democratic institutions, civil society and independent judiciary, free and fair electoral processes, freedom of religion, and human rights. Activities are completed within 12 months of the signing of the grant agreement, and are designed to achieve measurable results. No funds may be used directly or indirectly to influence the outcome of any election in any country. Note that only Nigerien organizations can be funded through the US Embassy in Niger, thus American and international organizations cannot receive funding under this grant.

U.S. Embassy seeking proposals for projects advancing these goals

Proposals are due no later than November 30th of each year and should be addressed to Mrs. Mireille Gbetholancy-Kun, Democracy and Human Rights Fund Coordinator, US Embassy Niger, B.P. 11201, Niamey, Niger. Proposals may also be hand delivered to the West entrance of the Embassy or emailed to NiameyDHRF@state.gov. All proposals must include the completed application form (attach link) and should follow the funding requirements (attach link). A detailed budget is required as part of the submission. Please note that funds cannot be devoted to publicity for events, therefore budgets should not include a line item for this expense.