



Special Call for Small Grant Proposals
under
The Bahamas Hurricane Dorian Recovery Grant

About the Bahamas Protected Area Fund

The Bahamas Protected Areas Fund (BPAF) was established in 2014 by an Act of Parliament. Its purpose is to ensure sustainable financing into perpetuity for the management of the Bahamas National Protected Areas System. Protected areas include those established by the Government of The Bahamas as well as other areas established for various reasons inclusive of biodiversity conservation, protection of carbon sinks, water resources, wetlands and blue holes, degraded or threatened ecosystems as well as those areas established to aid in mitigating for and adapting to climate change under relevant multilateral environmental agreements or international conventions. Funding for the management of these activities is provided to eligible organizations and agencies via the Fund’s Grants Program.

The Call for Proposals

The BPAF invites ALL eligible and interested organizations throughout The Commonwealth of The Bahamas to apply for a Special Small Grant to meet the immediate needs of existing Hurricane Dorian related projects or programs in *Abaco and Grand Bahama* that addresses: ecosystem-based recovery efforts, and the provision of water purification systems and renewable energy initiatives.

Application Guidelines

Amount	*\$5,000.00 – \$15,000.00
Use of Funds	Funding is being offered to provide a payment for a maximum of two (x2) of the following: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Tools and Equipment 2. Training 3. Consultancies 4. Other specific project or program needs (which fall outside of the exclusive criteria)

Eligibility Criteria	<p>Basic eligibility criteria for this grant include the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Grantees must be a legally incorporated NGOs, Government Ministry, or Agency; 2. Grant request must cover need(s) identified within an existing project or program**; 3. Proposed projects or programs must align with BPAF's funding priorities areas (click here); 4. Purchases or use of funds must take place within 15 days of receipt of funds.
Exclusive Criteria	<p>This grant may NOT be used to fund the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Initiatives of individuals or for-profit companies 2. New projects 3. Recurring costs or routine expenses 4. Salaries and personnel expenses 5. Cost of a good or service covered under an earlier award
Proposal Submission	<p>Interested organizations should:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Access and complete BPAF's application template (click here); Be sure to provide a statement of need for your existing project 2. Attach official quotes for goods or services; Submissions without proper quotes or supporting documents will NOT be considered. 3. Submit application along with required documents to: grants@bahamasprotected.com. <p style="text-align: center;">Only successful applicants will be notified by March 15th</p>
Closing Date	Friday, February 25th, 2022, no later than 5:00 pm EST.

**Grantees will be required to sign a grant agreement.*

***Verification of the existence of the project or program required.*

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