

**The American Cancer Society, Cancer Research UK, and the Framework Convention Alliance
Invites Proposals for the
Ratification, Implementation, and Enforcement
of the Framework Convention on Tobacco Control (FCTC) and Support for the FCTC Process**

Special Opportunity Grants in Support of the FCTC

Introduction

The American Cancer Society, Cancer Research UK, and the Framework Convention Alliance are pleased to announce the next round of Framework Convention on Tobacco Control (FCTC) Special Opportunity Grants. The FCTC Special Opportunity Grants are intended to support unforeseen tobacco control and FCTC related “special opportunities.” This program is aimed toward tobacco control advocates all around the world. The goal of the program is to support advocates’ participation in activities supporting the development, adoption, and implementation of strong FCTC guidelines and protocols.

Eligibility

To qualify, applicants must be recognized as active tobacco control advocates from low- to mid-income countries. Preference will be given to applicants who are members of the Framework Convention Alliance. The grant application

- must be submitted by the advocate, with the support of the organization with which he/she is affiliated. No individual applications will be considered. (Advocates who are independent agents may apply in collaboration with a tobacco control group or organization);
- must include the full legal name of the organization;
- must include a current financial statement for the organization reflecting the organization's net funding (receipts) for the current fiscal year end, from either the internal accounting department or from an outside auditor;
- must include current documentation from the governing authority certifying the organization’s non-profit status;
- must include a list of the Officers and Board of Directors; and
- must comply with the guidelines set forth in this document.

Available Funds

The typical grant award will be a one-time payment of USD \$10,000. Up to eight grants will be awarded during this grant period. Grantees will be required to submit a report detailing the use of the funds.

Deadlines

- 6 March 2009 – Deadline for proposals
- 8 May 2009 – Applicant is notified of proposal status.
- 16 October 2009 – 1st installment of grant is provided. Start date for projects.
- 15 January 2010 – Interim report is due. 2nd installment of grant is provided.
- 30 April 2010 – End date for projects
- 30 June 2010 – Grant report is due.

Application Guidelines

Grant requests should support the ratification, implementation, and enforcement of the Framework Convention on Tobacco Control (FCTC). Examples include developing and disseminating reports around issues discussed at the last Conference of the Parties (e.g., Guidelines for Art. 11, 13, 5.3; illicit trade protocol; etc.); attending important meetings on the development of FCTC protocols or guidelines; or conducting press conferences or other events related to the next intergovernmental negotiating body meeting on the illicit trade of tobacco products.

Please fill out the attached application form and budget.

Selection Criteria

Each proposal will be evaluated by representatives from the organizations funding the FCTC Advocacy Grants Program. Each proposal will be considered from the perspective of its feasibility and practicality, its potential to contribute to tobacco control policy change, and the reasonableness of its budget. The activities and experience of the applicant will also be assessed.

Grant Requirements

Reports

Grantees are required to submit a report on February 20, 2010.

Use of Funds

Grant funds may be used for the following expenses only as they are necessary to complete the work proposed in the grant application:

- purchase of communications equipment (computer, fax, modem, internet, or satellite expenses, etc.);
- travel expenses;
- commissioning of services of technical experts, e.g., journalists, lawyers, for specified purposes, and/or
- purchase of tobacco control prevention/education/awareness materials.

Grant funds cannot be used for purchasing general office equipment.

How to Apply

Grant requests are due by 6 March 2009 and should be addressed to:

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