

# **PROPOSALS CRITERIA**

## **1. Background**

The Greater Guyana Initiative (GGI) is a US\$100 million (GY\$20 billion) investment by the Stabroek Block Co-venturers – ExxonMobil Guyana Limited, Hess Guyana Exploration Limited and CNOOC Petroleum Guyana Limited. GGI's aim is to support capacity development programs across Guyana over a ten-year period.

GGI's focus areas are education and training, economic development and health, which collectively aims to strengthen the Guyanese workforce, increase the competitiveness of the local businesses across sectors and lays the foundation necessary for a thriving business environment and sustained economic growth.

## **2. Project Specifications**

GGI will award funding to proposals that:

1. Focus on sustainable economic development and diversification, advance and improve community health and well-being, and support education and training.
2. Create economic opportunity, diversity, prioritize non-resource (petroleum industry) related investment.
3. Promote environmental sustainability, and the culture of Guyana.

**NB.** Proposals focused on STEM, underserved and vulnerable groups and populations, gender diversification (women empowerment), Persons with Special Needs/Disabilities, rural and hinterland development will be prioritized.

## **3. Scope**

- GGI will fund projects located in any geographic location in Guyana.
- Proposals should not exceed \$100,000 USD.
- Project duration should not exceed 24 months.

## **4. Eligibility**

### **4.1 Who can apply and receive funding under this Proposals Call?**

Legally registered local Not-for-Profit, Non-Governmental Organisations in Guyana, including Civil Society/Community Development Organisations.

### **4.2 Who cannot apply and receive funding under this Proposals Call?**

- International Non-governmental organizations
- Government agencies or institutions
- UN agencies
- Private individuals
- Private sector entities
- Universities
- Think Tanks or Education or Research Institutions

**NB.** These criteria apply solely to this Call For Proposals and does not apply to GGI regular programme funding criteria.

## 6. Evaluation Criteria

Proposals will be evaluated against the following criteria:

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| <b>Guyana's Priorities</b>    | Supports Guyana's national development agenda.   |
| <b>Community Priorities</b>   | Targets a high priority of vulnerable stakeholder group and includes community stakeholder engagement.       |
| <b>Sustainability</b>         | Strengthens capability and capacity of local stakeholders through knowledge-sharing and skills development.  |
| <b>Costs and Benefits</b>     | Proposal includes a detailed and credible budget, and provides tangible social and/or economic benefits.     |
| <b>Management and Results</b> | Planning and execution strategy is clearly articulated and milestones achievable within projected timeframe. |

## 7. Application Procedure

### 7.1 How to Apply

1. Read the "Proposals Criteria"
2. Download Proposal Form at [www.greaterguyanainitiative.gy](http://www.greaterguyanainitiative.gy).
3. Complete all sections of Proposal Form.
4. Submit Proposal Form and Supporting Documents to [ggi@exxonmobil.com](mailto:ggi@exxonmobil.com) before 12 midnight GYT on **July 31, 2024**.

Please Note:

- All questions must be answered in English.
- Proposal Forms must be typed in single space.

## 8. Minimum Requirements

- Legally registered Local Not-for-Profit Non-Governmental Organization in Guyana.
- Organisation has good financial stewardship and an active bank account.
- Functioning Board of Directors and/or Management Team.
- Experience in successfully implementing capacity building development projects within the last 5 years.
- Certificate of Registration.
- TIN Certificate.

## 9. Proposal Review Process



## 10. Information

- Refer to **Selection Criteria** and **Proposal Form** for general guidance.
- For queries please contact The Greater Guyana Initiative via email [ggi@exxonmobil.com](mailto:ggi@exxonmobil.com).
- Additional information on the Greater Guyana Initiative can be found on website [www.greaterguyanainitiative.gy](http://www.greaterguyanainitiative.gy) .