



FUTURE FOR WILDLIFE SEED GRANTS PRE-PROPOSAL APPLICATION GUIDELINES

The Future for Wildlife Seed Grants Program provides funds to support field conservation projects in Africa and Asia. Annual awards, ranging from \$1000 to \$3500, are made to conservation and field research initiatives that will help secure a future for wildlife and educational or cultural activities that positively impact wildlife, habitats and human communities.

Ideal projects have a clear and direct conservation impact, positively affect local people, and create opportunities for capacity building in-country. Projects focusing on the following areas of special interest to the Zoo are strongly encouraged to apply:

- Wildlife protection (anti-poaching, illegal wildlife trade issues, etc.)
- Human wildlife conflict mitigation
- Development and promotion of sustainable environmental practices
- Habitat protection and restoration (terrestrial and freshwater ecosystems)
- Capacity-building (education/training, community-based conservation, etc.)
- Conservation biology, ecology and natural history studies (terrestrial and freshwater ecosystems)

Projects that focus on taxa/issues targeted by the [Zoo's key wildlife conservation programs](#) and link to a [species/taxa found at the Zoo](#) will be given priority.

Award Amount

\$1,000-\$3,500

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The pre-proposal should be typed in English on 8 ½ x11 inch size paper, have 1-inch margins and an easily readable 12pt. font. Pre-proposals are limited to four pages and must include the components listed below (three pages for the Project Description and Budget and a one page CV). Letters of support/commitment may be included if applicable.

A complete application includes:

- **Completed Pre-Proposal/Proposal Application Form**
- **Pre-Proposal (as detailed below)**

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The following information should be included in the pre-proposal:

1) Project Description, including:

- The goals and objectives of the project, including the conservation issue being addressed
- The significance of the proposed project and the impact that it will have on the species, habitat, area, local people, etc.,
- A succinct description of the experimental design, methodology and data analysis, and how it will address the project objectives,
- A description of how the project's success will be evaluated,
- A list of any permits required for the project and whether they have already been obtained or are pending.

2) Budget: Include a detailed budget that clearly indicates the amount being requested and which budget items are being submitted for funding. If funding being requested represents partial funding of the project, include a complete project budget and clearly indicate whether remaining funds have been obtained, are pending or are being sought to complete the project and from whom. A justification for specific budget items may be included if necessary/appropriate.

3) Curriculum Vitae of the Principle Investigator (one page in English)

4) Letter(s) of Support/Commitment: Required from any collaborator(s), governing body, protected area, organization/group or institution whose cooperation is necessary for project completion. Letters must be in English (or translated to English if original is in another language), signed and on official letterhead. They can be sent electronically, faxed or mailed in the post but must be received by the application deadline to be considered in the review.

Pre-proposal applications must be sent via email. All application materials must be sent on one email and received by the application deadline to be considered for review.

Completed applications and questions regarding eligibility, the application process or pre-proposal format should be directed to:

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