



International Women's Club B E L G R A D E

Charity Project Proposal Guidelines

The International Women's Club of Belgrade is an association which through its fundraising activities provides grants to assist the most vulnerable groups in Serbia. The IWC Grants Fund is supported by the international community of Serbia through the efforts of the diplomatic missions and other donors. IWC encourages grant applicants to complete this proposal application template.

Application Guidelines and Project Requirements

Please read the following guidelines and requirements prior to submitting a proposal to the International Women's Club of Belgrade.

IWC Project Priorities

The International Women's Club of Belgrade seeks to improve the lives of **vulnerable populations in Serbia** through sustainable projects that will create long-lasting positive change or meet urgent needs of at-risk groups. Proposed projects should address a high-priority need in the community and produce real and meaningful results.

The IWC provides support to non-profit community organizations in order to more effectively meet the needs of low-income, marginalized and vulnerable populations in Serbia.

Criteria of eligibility for the projects

The focus of this year's IWC Charity fund is to provide resources for projects whose aim is **empower women**, strengthen and improve the living conditions of women at risk of gender-based violence or others, promoting empowerment and self-esteem.

Our focus in 2024 in accordance with the theme "empowerment of women" will be:

- **Projects aimed at gender equality, training of women and girls, employment and self-employment in order to strengthen autonomy, economic independence and improve self-esteem.**
- **Projects which aim to improve the quality of life of girls, adolescents and women.**
- **Projects which are using digital and audiovisual tools to prevent and respond to violence and social exclusion online or otherwise.**
- **Projects whose mission is to empower and aid victims of violence and domestic abuse.**
- **Projects that create connections between women, such as those that promote cooperation and improve skills and abilities.**
- **Other types of projects that meet the eligibility requirements will also be considered.**

Support is provided by donations of funds to run programs and provide services; or through the direct purchase of goods, services and/ or equipment for use within the framework of a specific program or emergency humanitarian assistance. The IWC has one funding cycle for projects.

Who can apply?

- NGOs
- Non-profit organizations
- Schools and academies
- Non-profit associations
- Local cultural organizations

Exclusions:

The following will not be considered for funding in 2024:

- Grants to individuals
- Government institutions
- Non-specific donations and endorsements to organizations
- Building construction or large capital expenditures
- Programs focusing on animals
- International travel
- Purchase of vehicles
- Start-up costs
- Large scale conferences
- Organizations' operational & office costs
- Transportation/Petrol costs
- Privately owned firms
- We don't assist immigrants as they are registered as refugees and therefore come under the protection of UNHCR

Program Implementation Requirements

All funding for approved projects implemented by local organizations will be paid via bank transfer. No funds will be transferred to government bank accounts (public schools, hospitals, institutions) or to bank accounts located outside of Serbia.

All IWC grant recipients will be asked to sign a "Donation Agreement" stating that they will use funds only as described in the approved grant proposal, that they will notify the IWC of any changes in the program and that they will provide progress reports as requested in an appendix to the cash donation agreement.

Grants in 2024 will be awarded up to RSD 500,000



Grant recipients must provide a written report to the IWC at the end of each project detailing the implementation procedure, final budget, lessons learned, and results achieved. Unless otherwise agreed, projects should be completed within one calendar year or by December 2024.

Proposal Guidelines:

Proposals should address each question in as much detail as possible. This information will help our Charity Committee better understand what you are trying to achieve. Please be sure to provide a detailed budget for the project. Incomplete application forms might be rejected.

To submit a project proposal, email it to the following email address: charity@iwc.rs

Application Deadlines:

In order to provide fair consideration of project proposals, to increase the impact of sponsored projects, and to efficiently organize, track and simplify financial transactions, the IWC works with a specified funding cycle. Project grant applications should be submitted at latest by **February 29th, 2024 for projects which start by mid of April or beginning of May 2024.**

Should you require additional information or clarification of our procedures, please contact:
IWC Charity Team at charity@iwc.rs

