

Local Partner Development (LPD) Private Sector Partnerships for Crime Prevention Program Request for Proposals APS-LPD 01/2020

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Overview: Through this Annual Program Statement (APS), the Local Partner Development (LPD) project invites private businesses, industry associations, chambers of commerce and private foundations and other private sector organizations to partner with LPD to identify and suggest ways both organizations can work together to implement effective youth crime and violence prevention interventions that can achieve tangible and sustainable results.

Private sector partners must have demonstrably successful interventions (or intervention ideas) that can be implemented in select communities, that have proven to be effective in preventing youth crime and violence. These interventions should seek to reduce the factors which account for the propensity for crime and violence among at-risk youth.

Eligibility: Organizations should meet the following eligibility criteria:

- Legally registered in Jamaica
- Have been delivering/funding interventions targeting youth crime and violence prevention, or presents an effective initiative towards youth crime prevention
- Be willing to fund 30-50% of the overall costs of a collaborative intervention/program
- Be willing to co-create, co-develop and co-implement activities under a collaborative program

Grant Size: Matching awards up to USD 30,000 per recipient. Partners will be required to provide a minimum cost share of 30% of the overall project value.

Duration: 9 months

This APS is not a Request for Applications (RFA) or a Request for Proposals (RFP). This phase of the APS will begin with a request for concept notes. Based on the review of those concept notes, LPD will determine whether the applicant is eligible to move on to the application stage of the process.

LPD reserves the right to fund any or none of the concept notes and applications submitted under this APS.

INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND

What is Local Partner Development?

As part of an effort to work more closely with local organizations to increase impact and sustainability, LPD is seeking to partner with Jamaican private sector organizations. Through these strategic partnerships, LPD intends to collaborate with organizations towards the achievement of shared goals related to crime and violence prevention, particularly utilizing secondary and tertiary crime prevention programs geared towards vulnerable youth.

The leveraging of partnerships among private sector organizations, CSOs and MDAs will allow LPD to advance progress towards building a secure, healthy and resilient nation and help support interventions that are closely aligned with Jamaica's long-term development goals under Vision 2030.

LPD is a six-year activity, implemented by FHI 360 and funded by the United States Agency for International Development (USAID) under the Caribbean Basin Security Initiative (CBSI). In alignment with the CBSI's objectives, LPD's primary goal is to equip select local actors with the requisite knowledge, skills, and tools that will allow them to implement more effective data-driven secondary and tertiary youth crime prevention programs. LPD's intention is for the Jamaican organizations it supports to become more effective in advancing collaborative, evidence-based youth crime and violence prevention strategies.

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What is the LPD Private Sector Partnerships for Crime Prevention Program?

LPD will select a core group of private sector organizations that are:

- (i) currently pursuing crime prevention initiatives in hot spot communities (see **ANNEX 2**)
- (ii) interested in commencing or supporting crime prevention initiatives
- (iii) willing to co-create and implement crime prevention initiatives through the joint identification of development challenges/problems through design and implementation

LPD would like to use this APS to identify and collaborate with private entities that are already delivering/supporting interventions, or are interested in delivering initiatives aimed at youth who are most at risk of committing crimes and engaging in violent activities, or those who have already been in conflict with the law. The communities selected for the respective interventions are those classified as hot spot communities within the parishes of Kingston & St Andrew, St Catherine, Clarendon, Westmoreland St. James.

What kinds of services/initiatives can be proposed under this APS?

LPD follows the USAID and CBSI approach to youth crime and violence prevention, which adheres to the public health methodology. This methodology recognizes three different levels of prevention.

1. **Primary** prevention targets the entire population.
2. **Secondary** prevention focuses on individuals who are at high risk of becoming either victims or perpetrators of crime and violence.

3. **Tertiary** prevention targets those individuals who have already engaged in criminal and violent behavior. The purpose of tertiary prevention interventions is to prevent individuals from reoffending or being re-victimised; and to reduce recidivism by rehabilitating those who have been prosecuted and incarcerated.

Through this APS, we are inviting interested private sector organizations to propose concepts for addressing youth crime and violence at the **secondary and tertiary prevention levels**. Concept notes suggesting primary level prevention and interventions that focus on general population, community building approaches and infrastructure development activities **will not** be considered. Indicative interventions for private sector partnerships may include but are not limited to:

- Apprenticeship, internship and employment programs
- Entrepreneurial and business development programs
- Mentorship and life skills training programs
- Education support programs in hot spot communities to include scholarships, nutritional-support and after-school programs
- Innovative partnerships in any of the above illustrative or similar examples with civil society organizations in implementing crime and violence prevention initiatives

What are the eligibility criteria?

To be eligible for LPD matching support, organizations must meet certain requirements, as follows:

- Have legal registration in Jamaica
- Have been delivering/supporting interventions targeting youth crime and violence prevention; or are willing to commit to begin such interventions
- Be willing to fund 40-50% of the overall costs of proposed program or intervention
- Be willing to co-create, co-develop and co-implement activities

THE PROCESS

What is the application procedure?

This APS will consist of the following three phases:

- Phase 1 – Concept Note
 - CONCEPT NOTE SUBMISSION – Interested applicants are invited to submit a short (three-page maximum) Concept Note where the applicant provides an overview of its idea. Applicants must follow the Concept Note Outline (see **ANNEX 1**) and should only submit the information and materials specified in the template. FHI 360/LPD reserves the right to pose clarifying questions and conduct discussions with any applicant, though making such clarifications does not obligate FHI 360/LPD to do so with all applicants.
 - CONCEPT NOTE REVIEW – Concept Notes will be evaluated according to the criteria and considerations set out below. The purpose of the technical review is to discuss the concepts proposed by each applicant towards determining the development of a partnership.
- PHASE 2: CO-CREATION
 - Co-creation - Applicants that have successful Concept Notes will be invited for co-creation and will engage with FHI 360/LPD for this purpose. The co-creation process is also intended to help identify potential consortia and partnerships to support these new or existing solutions and activities.
- PHASE 3: REQUEST FOR FULL APPLICATION
 - Full Application - After the co-creation phase, if FHI 360/LPD decides a full application(s) is

warranted, application instructions and criteria will be provided to the selected applicant(s) or groups of applicants that are proposing to work together. Complete instructions will be given for submission of a full application. The full application will detail and expand upon the concept(s) developed through co-creation.

How will concept notes be assessed?

The following criteria and considerations will be used to review and evaluate concept notes submitted under this APS. The relevant review elements are captured in the table below and are intended to help guide applicants in the development of their concept note.

Table 1: Evaluation Criteria

Review Element	Definition	Score
Technical approach advances evidence-driven and collaborative secondary and tertiary youth crime and violence interventions that can achieve tangible and sustainable results	The extent to which the concept note proposes an evidence-driven and collaborative secondary and tertiary youth crime and violence intervention that can achieve tangible and sustainable results, established through the following principles: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The core concept identifies real issues, windows of opportunity and potential triggers and is responsive to the requirements and objective of the APS. 2. The assumed connections between the problem, the proposed program’s actions, and the goal of youth crime and violence prevention is clearly explained. 	60
Institutional Capacity	The extent to which the organization has a clear governance structure and possesses the required expertise and experience to carry out the intervention proposed, as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The organization demonstrates that it has the requisite staffing levels and adequate technical and administrative capacity to carry out and/or coordinate the required activities under its proposed intervention. • The organization can fund 30-50% of total project cost. 	40

When is the deadline for applications?

Interested organizations can apply by electronic submission to jamaicalpdgrants@fhi360.org with “**APS-01/2020**” in the subject line. The APS will remain open for 12 months with applications accepted on a rolling basis with three review rounds as follows:

- Round 1: Applications must be submitted by **December 17, 2020 at 4:00 p.m.** (local time) to be considered.
- Round 2: Applications must be submitted by **June 17, 2021, at 4:00 p.m.** (local time) to be considered.
- Round 3: Applications must be submitted by **October 26, 2021, at 4:00 p.m.** (local time) to be considered.

Required Documents to be submitted in response to this APS

- **Completed Concept Note as per format provided in Annex 1**
- **Certificate of Registration/Incorporation**

ANNEX 1 – CONCEPT NOTE TEMPLATE

Concept Note Outline (3 Pages maximum)

- **APS Reference Number**
- **Name and address of organization (physical and electronic, as applicable)**
- **Contact person (lead contact name, telephone number, and e-mail information)**
- **Type of organization (include how organization is registered)**
- **Title of proposed program**
- **Name and title of the authorized representative of the applicant**
- **Problem Identification** - Identify the problem your organization will address, linking it to secondary and/or tertiary youth crime and violence prevention approaches and the youth/community being targeted
- **Proposed Implementation Approach** - Outline how the program will work and how it is likely to have a significant impact, and how it will be sustained
- **Intervention Results** - Outline the expected goal and anticipated results of the proposed intervention.
- **Applicant Capacity** - Outline organizational experience in carrying out similar interventions. Please outline why your organization should be selected to be a part of this co-creation process including your organization's credibility within targeted communities, willingness to partner, availability of counterpart funding and capacity to implement activities.

ANNEX 2 – LIST OF PRIORITIZED HOT SPOT COMMUNITIES

Parish	Community
ST. JAMES	Montego Bay Business District Flanker Norwood Glendevon Salt Spring Green Pond Mount Salem Granville Retrieve Canterbury Rose Heights Anchovy Cambridge
KINGSTON	Trench Town Central Downtown Whitfield Town Tivoli Gardens Franklyn Town
ST. ANDREW	Half-Way Tree August Town
ST. CATHERINE	Central Village Spanish Town Central Linstead Gregory Park
WESTMORELAND	Negril Savanna-la-mar Business District (and its immediate environs) Grange Hill Bethel Town
CLARENDON	May Pen Bucknor Hayes Rocky Point Farm and Effortville Treadlight Canaan Heights
HANOVER	Hopewell Sandy Bay Green Island Lucea Mount Pleasant