

NGO Healthy City Support Organization General Information of International Support Program 2012

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- **Inquiries should be sent to secretariat@ngo-hcso.org**
- **Please submit the application documents via AFHC members (both Full and Associate members)**

Program Objective

The 2012 International Support Program of NGO Healthy City Support Organization (HCSO) is a grant program aiming at developing and promoting Healthy Cities in AFHC (Alliance for Healthy Cities) through support NGO and volunteer groups in local communities. The mission of this program is to improve the living quality of people in the Western Pacific Region by supporting the efforts of local people directly in the fields of health including food, nutrition, disease prevention, and environment in general. The grantee who achieves outstanding contribution in this program will receive the award from HCSO, and also the member of AFHC to which the winner belongs will be nominated for the AFHC award for Healthy Cities 2014. We hope this program will strengthen cooperation among AFHC members and develop Healthy Cities activities through international networks.

1. Grant Frameworks

(1) Creating Healthy Cities with Green Support Project

Healthy Cities which promote health of both people and the city cannot be realized without sustainable natural environment. Creating Healthy Cities with Green Support Project grants local organizations that are working to create environment-friendly green city through activities such as gardening at parks and other public places, and planting trees or vegetables. The aim of this project is to involve citizens in building a green city that is relaxing and gathering place.

- e.g. ▪ Planting trees in the local community as a part of educational program.
- Kitchen gardening at school or community (or a nutrition improvement program using healthy vegetables.)
 - Gardening at parks and roads.

(2) Dental and Physical Health Support Project

Oral health is an essential component of health in general. The proper diet and method of brushing the teeth prevents oral diseases as well as non-communicable diseases. Dental and Health Support Project grants local community group or school that provides educational program on oral care and good diet. For this program, commodities such as tooth brushes are also included in the supporting funds.

- e.g. • Promotion and education on “Dental and Physical Health”
- Instruction on appropriate diet that promotes dental and physical health

(3) Open-Theme Support Project

This support project offers AFHC members to address particular issue on health and its possible solution. During the application period, each AFHC member selects and recommends organizations that are capable of carrying out this project. The grantees are selected after screening.

- e.g. • Training health workers and disseminating knowledge about health to the local people.
- Study on the impacts of bicycle-riding on health (a university-NPO collaborative project).
 - Use of local products to provide dietary and environmental education while invigorating the local industry.
 - A project to empower local communities through activities on nutrition and maternal & child health.

【Types of Activities Covered by the Program】

- A project that is coherent with the idea of Healthy Cities, through which local people may benefit.
- A project that leads to self-reliant development of people/communities after its completion.

【Period and Amount of Grants】

- Application period: from September 10, 2012 to **November 30, 2012**
- Grant period: from January 2013 to December 2013 (one year)
- Total amount of grants in FY 2012: ¥ 2 million
- Amount of grant per project: ¥200,000 at maximum (in principle).

2. Applicant Eligibility

- ① In principle, the applicant organization should be a nonprofit organization (NPO) (regardless of whether the organization is incorporated or not), which is authorized by each AFHC member.
- ② The organization must have a track record of at least two years.

- Performance reports for the last two years must be submitted.
- ③ The organization must have a local office or a local counterpart to conduct the project.
- ④ The organization must not be engaged in any political, or religious activities, or acts of similar nature.
 - The definition of religious activities in this program is as follows:
 - (i) Having judicial standing as a religious organization.
 - (ii) Conducting activities with missionary aims.

3. Selection Criteria and Procedure

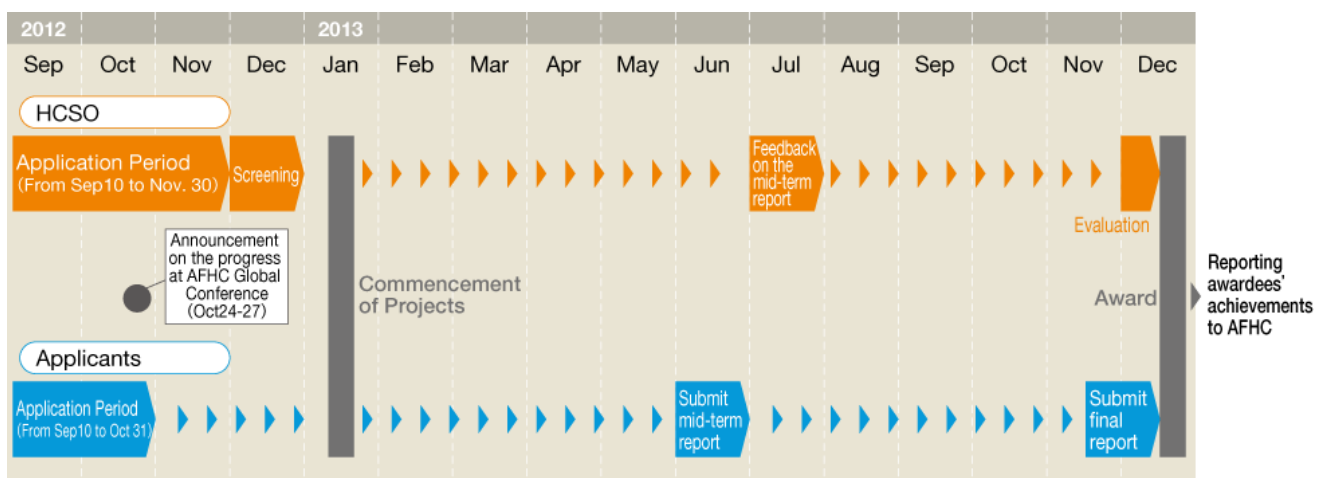
(1) Selection Criteria

- ① Experience and capacity
- ② Content of the project (compatibility with the program objective, public interest, potential for self-reliant development, and pioneering spirit/originality)
- ③ Implementation ability (appropriateness of the implementation plan, personnel, and scale of project. Expectancy for practical results)
- ④ Cooperation and Understand towards AFHC

(2) Selection Process and Schedule

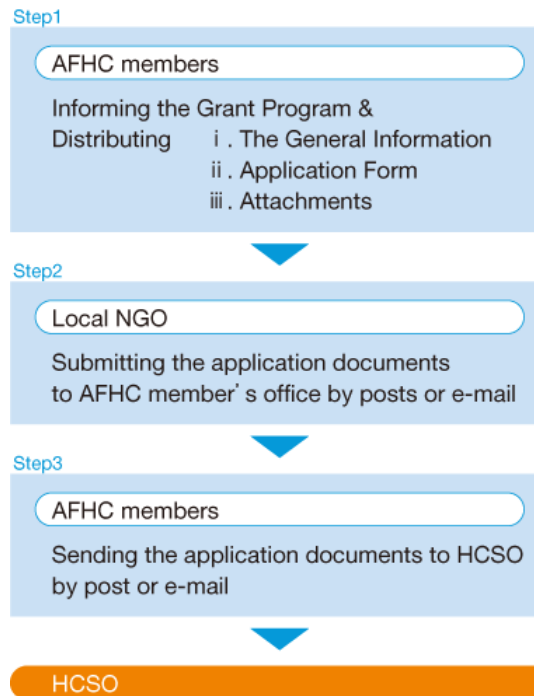
Applicants should complete the application documents and submit them to HCSO office through AFHC members during the application period (from Sep. 10 to Nov. 30). HCSO screens application documents to select projects based on the criteria described above, and decides grantees by the end of November. The result will be announced via the AFHC members.

Projects should commence in January 2013, and during the grant period, midterm and final reports (in June and December) should be submitted to HCSO through AFHC members (details will be informed after the grantees are decided). Finally, HCSO evaluates all projects and awards the best practice.



4. How to apply

- **Application Period: from September 10, 2012 to November 30, 2012**
- **Application Procedure**



The General Information, Application Form, and Attachments are distributed through the mailing list of AFHC office. These documents are also available at HCSO website.(<http://www.ngo-hcso.org>)

Then, AFHC members announce the grant program to the local NGO, and request to complete the application documents. The applicants should submit the application documents by post or e-mail through AFHC members. **(must arrive no later than November 30.)**

The application documents may not be returned to the applicants.

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