NATIONAL DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT REQUESTS PROPOSALS FOR FUNDING NATIONAL NON-PROFIT ORGANISATIONS

Financial Years: 2027/28, 2028/29 and 2029/30

The National Department of Social Development (NDSD) invites proposals from eligible national non-profit organizations for 3-year funding under this Request/ Call for Proposals.

Funding is targeted at national-based NPOs delivering interventions aligned to NDSD's mandate and national priorities for developmental social services. The aim is to achieve measurable outcomes in the focus areas listed below and to strengthen sector-wide service delivery.

This call prioritizes national organizations that operate at scale and have footprint in four or more provinces focusing on functions such as oversight, capacity building, monitoring of affiliates, and related support responsibilities. Funding will be allocated to strengthen service delivery in line with NDSD policy and legislative frameworks.

FOCUS AREAS

Funding allocations are informed by government responsibilities in the Constitution and sector legislation, demographic and social development indicators, community development needs, programme-specific services and geographical priorities.

Qualifying NPOs will be considered for funding under the following Budget Sub-programmes:

SP2.2: Services to Older Persons
SP2.3: Services to Persons with Disabilities
SP3.2: Care and Services to Families
SP3.3: Child Care and Protection
SP3.6: Community-Based Care Services for Children
SP4.2: Crime Prevention and Support
SP4.3: Victim Empowerment
SP4.4: Substance Abuse Prevention and Rehabilitation

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

Funding is not historical, and eligibility depends on number of aspects including compliance with governance, financial management, banking, reporting requirements as follows:

Governance

- NPO must be registered in terms of the Non-Profit Organizations Act 71 of 1997 and compliant. (Registration status will be verified with NPO Directorate).
- If dually registered as a Trust or NPC, it must also be registered and be compliant with the NPO Act 71 of 1997.
- Sound governance and management structures must be in place.
- Organizations that are deregistered or non-compliant with the NPO Act, PFMA, or programme/service registration will be excluded.
- Must operate nationally with a proven footprint in four or more provinces. Proof of operations required.
- NPOs that contribute to transformation of the broader social development sector will be prioritized.

Service Registration

- NPO must be registered, or conditionally registered where legislation requires (proof required where applicable).
- Where applicable, staff must be vetted against the Child Protection Register and Sexual Offences Register (proof required).
- Must demonstrate capacity and understanding to deliver services in line with minimum norms and standards, with no history of non-compliance.
- Where no legislative registration is required, the organization must show proven capacity and track record for the service.

Financial Management

- Full compliance in the previous funding cycle where applicable. (Note: prior funding does not guarantee future awards).
- Financial management and internal control systems compliant with the Public Finance Management Act (PFMA).
- Valid bank account registered in the name of the organization.
- Compliance with service-specific funding requirements.
- No history of serious financial mismanagement or breach of Transfer Payment Agreements for previously funded organizations.

HOW TO APPLY

Service scope, deliverables, outcome indicators, and evaluation criteria are detailed in each Service Specification. Applicants must use the prescribed NDSD business plan template and be completed in full according to the relevant Service Specification.

Briefing Session

A one-day, non-compulsory virtual briefing will be held on **18 June 2026, 10:00am –14:00pm**, to receive detailed information on application requirements and service specifications. Details of the session are as follows:

MS Teams:
https://teams.microsoft.com/meet/357139147899830?p=tln9m2Thequ3EEeH3L
Meeting ID: 357 139 147 899 830
Passcode: DB9C77FB

Submission

Completed proposals and certified supporting documents must be submitted by hand or post for Attention:

Chief Director: Ms Mpho Mngxitama
Reference: NDSD - NPO CALL FOR PROPOSALS
Postal: Private Bag X901, PRETORIA, 0001
Hand/Courier: HSRC Building, 134 Pretorius Street, Corner Bosman & Pretorius Street, PRETORIA

Closing Date: 17 July 2026 at 16:00

Late submissions, incomplete applications, non-prescribed templates, submissions via email, and organizations not operating nationally will not be considered.

The service specifications are available on the NDSD website: http://www.dsd.gov.za. Other relevant documents including the application forms will be available from 18 June 2026 (post the briefing session).

All updates will also be posted on NDSD social media platforms.

Enquiries

General enquiries: **Ms Nondumiso Makalima | 012-312-7024 / 066-480-9579 | NPOFunding@dsd.gov.za**
Note: This email is for enquiries only. Proposals will not be accepted via email.

Technical Enquiries related to Service Specifications can be directed at the following officials:

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SP3.2: Care and Services to Families	**Ms Sarah Mosuwe** SarahMa@dsd.gov.za
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