



Funding Resources for Women's Rights Organizations in the Middle East and North Africa



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Organization	Contact Info	Funding Region	Themes and Issues	Application Process
African Women's Development Fund (AWDF)	25, Yiyiwa Street, Abelenkpe, Accra.PMB CT Cantonments, Accra Ghana Tel: 233-21780476 Fax: 233-21782502 Email: grants@awdf.org Website: www.awdf.org	Africa-wide	Women's human rights; political participation; peace building; health, reproductive rights and HIV/AIDS; economic empowerment	See website for application guidelines; applications accepted throughout the year
American Friends Service Committee	1501 Cherry St, Philadelphia, PA 19102-1403 USA Tel: 1-2122417030 Email: afscinfo@afsc.org Website: www.afsc.org	Select MENA	General	See website for application guidelines
Arab Human Rights Fund	An-Nakheel Building 8th floor, Bahrain Str, Caracas District, Beirut, Lebanon Tel: 961-1342900 Fax: 961-1341900 Email: grantees@ahrfund.org Website: www.ahrfund.org	22 member states of the Arab League, and activist working from exile	Innovative ideas, campaigns and methodologies with a human rights angle. Projects should have a long-term, sustainable impact. "Start-ups" are welcome to apply.	See website for application guidelines; applications accepted once annually per country
Arab Women's Fund	4a Maadi Star Towers, 26th Floor, Apt. 8, Corniche el-Maadi, Cairo, Egypt Tel: 20-106126083 Fax: 20-225272372 Email: info@arabwomensfund.org Website: www.arabwomensfund.org	Arab region	Women's rights; support women's agendas for social change and justice, raising women's visibility in the press, politics, and culture.	See website for application guidelines

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Astraea Lesbian Foundation for Justice	116 East 16th St, 7th Floor, New York, NY 10003 USA Tel: 1-2125298021 Fax: 1-2129823321 Email: info@astraeafoundation.org Website: www.astraeafoundation.org	Global	Support to lesbian-led, LGTBI and progressive organizations working on women and LGTBI human rights.	See website for application guidelines and deadlines
Australian Agency for International Development (Ausaid)	62 Northbourne Avenue GPO Box 887 Canberra City, ACT 2601, Australia Tel: 61-262064000 Fax: 61-262064880 Email: infoausaid@ausaid.gov.au Website: www.ausaid.gov.au	North Africa, Middle East	Human rights	See website for application guidelines
Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA)	Treasury Board of Canada Secretariat, Corporate Communications, L'Esplanade Laurier, 10th Floor, West Tower, 300 Laurier Avenue West, Ottawa, Canada K1A 0R5 Tel: 1-6139572400 Fax: 1-6139989071 Email: info@tbs-sct.gc.ca Website: www.acdi- cida.gc.ca	Global	Democratic governance and the rights and equality of women.	See website for application guidelines
Channel Foundation - Women's Leadership Scholarship (WLS) Program	603 Stewart St, Suite 415, Seattle, WA 98101 USA Tel: 1-2066215447 Fax: 1-2066212664 Email: info@nativeleaders.org Website: www.nativeleaders.org	Global	Scholarship program supports non-doctoral graduate education in human rights, sustainable development, and public health. WLS supports study, research, and leadership training. 4-8 scholarships of up to \$25,000 per academic year are granted each year.	See website for application guidelines and deadlines.

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Chrest Foundation	130 East John Carpenter Freeway, Irving, Texas 75062 USA Tel: 1-9729994514 Email: administrator@chrestfoundation.org Website: www.chrestfoundation.org	Turkey	Engagement, cultural understanding and dialogue, and women's rights	See website for application guidelines
Dutch Government	Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Postal Address: PO Box 20061, 2500 EB The Hague, The Netherlands Tel: 31-703486486 Fax: 31-703484848 Email: dsi-my@minbuza.nl Website: www.minbuza.nl		Poverty Reduction, humanitarian aid, human and social development, human rights (this includes a section on gender and women's rights).	See website for application guidelines
Euro-Mediterranean Foundation of Support to Human Rights	C/O EMHRN Vestergrade 16, 2nd Floor, DK-1456 Copenhagen K Denmark Tel: 45-32641712 Fax: 45-32641702 Email: asc@euromedrights.net Website: www.emhrf.org	Morocco, Algeria, Tunisia, Libya, Egypt, Lebanon, Jordan, Syria, Palestine and Israel.	Human rights defenders at risk and human rights activities, in particular sensitive and innovative projects carried out by small organisations or groups that do not have the capacities to approach the main donors or fall outside mainstream donors categories	See website for application guidelines and deadlines (twice a year for non-urgent applications)
European Commission-EuropeAid Cooperation Office	European Commission, EuropeAid Co-operation Office, B - 1049 Brussels, Belgium Tel: 32-022991111 Email: europeaid-info@ec.europa.eu Website: www.ec.europa.eu/europeaid	Global	Tackles universal issues : poverty, hunger, environment, human rights, health, education, climate change. Gender Equality is a priority of the EU development policy and actions. The Investing in people thematic programme entails a component specifically s	See website for applications : ec.europa.eu/europeaid/cgi/frame12.pl

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Fondation pro victimis	Rue St-Ours 5, 1205 Geneve Switzerland Tel: 41-227814262 Fax: 41-227814261 Email: contact@provictimis.org Website: www.provictimis.org	Global, MENA Region - Algeria & Morocco	Livelihood (rural autonomy, social infrastructure), public health (water and sanitation, disability, disease), social issues (issues affecting women, forsaken children).	See website for application guidelines.
Ford Foundation - Cairo office	PO Box: 2344, Cairo Egypt Tel: 20-227952121 Fax: 20-227954018 Email: ford-cairo@fordfound.org Website: www.fordfound.org	MENA	Economic development, community and resource development, human rights, governance and civil society, education, sexuality, religion, media, arts and culture.	See website for application guidelines
Fund for Global Human Rights	1634 I Street NW Suite 1001, Washington DC 20006 USA Tel: 1-2023477488 Ext. 202 Fax: 1-2027838499 Email: info@globalhumanrights.org Website: www.globalhumanrights.org	Morocco, Algeria, Tunisia	Human rights	See website for application guidelines; applications accepted once annually per country
Global Fund for Women (GFW)	1375 Sutter Street, Suite #400 San Francisco, CA 94109 USA Tel: 1-4152027640 Fax: 1-4152028604 Email: mena@globalfundforwomen.org Website: www.globalfundforwomen.org	MENA	Women's human rights (health and reproductive rights, economic empowerment, civic and political participation, building peace, promoting education and literacy)	See website for application details; open and rolling process; grants awarded quarterly
Global Greengrants Fund	2840 Wilderness Place, Suite A Boulder, CO 80301 USA Tel: 1-3039399866 Fax: 1-3039399867 Email: info@greengrants.org Website: www.greengrants.org	Global	Environment	Does not accept unsolicited proposals or applications

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Grassroots International	179 Boylston St, 4th Floor, Boston, MA 02130, USA Tel: 1-6175241400 Email: info@grassrootsonline.org Website: www.grassrootsonline.org	Middle East, Africa	Human rights, movement building, resource rights, rethinking aid, sustainable livelihoods	Does not accept unsolicited proposals or applications
GTZ - German Technical Cooperation - Gender Project	32 bis, rue Jbel Ayachi, Agdal, Rabat-Maroc B.P. 433, 10 000 Rabat R.P Morocco Tel: 212-37675263 Fax: 212-37675273 Email: projet@gtz.genre.ma Website: www.gtz.de/de/weltweit/maghreb-naher-osten/marokko/6501.htm		Gender mainstreaming in development policies and programmes	See website for application guidelines
Heinrich Böll Foundation - Arab Middle East Office	Christian Sterzing, Tal az- Zaatar St. 6, Ramallah, P.O. Box 2018, Ramallah - Palestine Tel: 972-22961121 Fax: 972-22961122 Email: info@boell-ameo.org Website: www.boell-ameo.org	Palestine, Egypt, Jordan	Democratic Participation, Media, Gender Democracy, Sustainable Development, Dialogue and Conflict Prevention	See website for application guidelines
Heinrich Böll Foundation - Middle East Office	Layla Al-Zubaidi, 266, rue Gouraud, P.O. Box 175510, Gemmayze, Beirut, Lebanon Tel: 961-1562926 Fax: 961-1562978 Email: boell@terra.net.lb Website: www.boell-meo.org	Middle East	Statehood and Participation, Power and Identity, War and Peace, and Sustainable Development	See website for application guidelines
Hivos	PO Box 85565, 2508 CG The Hague, The Netherlands Tel: 31-0703765500 Fax: 31-0703624600 Email: info@hivos.nl Website: www.hivos.nl	Iran, Iraq, Syria, Organizations working regionally in West Asia	Sustainable Production, Financial Services, Human Rights & Democratisation, Gender, Women & Development (VAW, SRR, leadership and movement building, accountability to women's rights) Hiv/Aids, Arts & Culture, ICT & Media	Proposals are accepted via the website www.hivos.org

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International Development Research Center (IDRC) - Regional office MENA	PO Box 14 Orman, Giza, Dokki, Cairo, Egypt Street address: 8 Ahmed Niseem Street, 8th floor Dokki, Cairo, Egypt Tel: 20-233367051/2/3/4/7 Fax: 20-233 36-7056 Email: info@idrc.ca Website: www.idrc.ca/cairo		Women's rights and citizenship	See website for application guidelines; applications accepted throughout the year
Kvinna till Kvinna	Slakthusplan 3, S-121 62 Johanneshov, Sweden Tel: 46-858888100 Fax: 46-858889101 Email: info@iktk.se Website: www.iktk.se/english/index.html	Select MENA	Women's rights	See website for application guidelines
Mama Cash	PO Box: 15686, 1001 ND Amsterdam, Netherlands Tel: 31-206893634 Fax: 31-206834647 Email: info@mamacash.nl Website: www.mamacash.nl	MENA	Women's rights	See website for application guidelines
Mediterranean Women's Fund	47 place du Millenaire, apt 74 - Montpellier 34000 France Tel: 33-612095809 Email: cbdlp@orange.fr, medwomensfund@orange.fr	Mediterranean Region	Women's rights, movement building, women's empowerment	Grants not available before mid 2009
Middle East Partnership Initiative	U.S. Department of State Harry S. Truman Building NEA/PI NEA Mailroom, Rm. 6258 2201 C Street, NW Washington, DC 20520 USA Email: Nea-grants@state.gov Website: mepi.state.gov/mepi/	MENA	US President project with four reform areas: Political, economic, education, and women's empowerment.	See website for application guidelines
OSI - MENA	400 West 59th St, New York, NY 10019, USA Tel: 1-2125480600 Fax: 1-2125484619 Website: www.soros.org	MENA	Children & Youth, Economic Development, Education, Governance, Health, Human Rights, Law & Justice, Media, Arts & Culture, Women.	See website for application guidelines

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Oxfam - Quebec	2330 Notre Dame West Street, suite 200, Montreal (QC) H3J 2Y2, CANADA Tel: 1-5149371614 Fax: 1-5149379452 Email: info@oxfam.qc.ca Website: www.oxfam.qc.ca/html_en/qui/faisons/secteurs_moyens.asp		Women and Economic Development; Literacy and Education:Food Security: Environment:Institutional Strengthening:Youth: Humanitarian Assistance.	See website for application guidelines
Oxfam -Novib	Mauritskade 9, PO Box: 30919, 2500 GX, The Hague, The Netherlands Tel: 31-703421947 Fax: 31-703614461 Website: www.oxfamnovib.nl	Eastern Europe, Central Asia and ME	Income and trade (right to a sustainable existence food and income security); Education for girls (right to basic social services); Living in safety (right to life and safety conflict reduction); Social and political participation (right to social and pol	See website for application guidelines
People in Need	Czech / Iraq/ Jordan Tel: 420-777787950 Email: lucia.pavelova@peopleinneed.cz Website: www.clovekvtisni.cz	Select MENA (Iraq)	Provides relief aid and development assistance, capacity building training and community facilitation	See website for application guidelines
The Pluralism Fund	136 Madison Avenue, 3rd Floor, New York, NY 10016 USA Tel: 1-2128421957 Fax: 1-2128421998 Email: info@thepluralismfund.org Website: www.thepluralismfund.org	Middle East	Women's Rights	Does not accept unsolicited proposals
The Sigrid Rausing Trust	UK Website: www.sigrid-rausing-trust.org	Global	Human rights, women's rights, minority rights, environmental justice, social and economic rights	Does not accept unsolicited proposals

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The Sister Fund	79 Fifth Ave, 4th Floor, New York, NY 10003 USA Tel: 1-2122604446 Fax: 1-2122604633 Email: info@sisterfund.org Website: www.sisterfund.org	Global	Faith and feminism initiatives	Does not accept unsolicited proposals
SPARK: Celebrating Women Who Ignite Global Change	2130 Fillmore Street, #243 San Francisco, CA 94115 USA Tel: 1-4158298068 Email: info@sparksf.org Website: www.sparksf.org.	Global	Young women's rights, in 2008 focus areas are: environment, civic leadership and violence prevention.	See website for application guidelines
Swedish Government (SIDA)	Valhallavägen 199, 105 25 Stockholm Sweden Tel: 46-86985000 Fax: 46-8208864 Email: sida@sida.se Website: www.sida.se		Reducing poverty through economic growth, Education and health, Natural resources and the environment, Humanitarian aid and contributions to peace and security, Economic reforms, Research, Human rights and democracy	See website for application guidelines
The Arab Gulf Programme for United Nations Development Organizations – AGFUND	P. O. Box 18371 Riyadh 11415, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia Tel: 966-144418888 Fax: 966-144412962 Email: info@agfund.org Website: www.agfund.org/	Global	Concerned with the support of sustainable human development efforts, targeting the neediest groups in the developing countries, particularly women and children, in cooperation with the organizations and institutions active in this field. 2008 focus: visua	See website for application guidelines
Turkish Philanthropic Fund	1036 Park Avenue, Suite 15A, New York, NY 10028 USA Tel: 1-2125993063 Fax: 1-2125992565 Email: info@tpfund.org Website: www.tpfund.org	Turkey	Empower girls and women through educational, financial and social resources.	See website for application guidelines
UNIFEM- Morocco	Angle Avenue Moulay Hassan et Rue Moulay Ahmed Loukili, Casier ONU, Rabat-Chellah Morocco Tel: 212-61163743 Fax: 212-37661058 Website: www.unifem.org/	MENA	Reducing feminized poverty, ending violence against women, reversing the spread of HIV/AIDS among women and girls, achieving gender equality in democratic governance in times of peace as well as war, the advancement of women's human rights.	See UNIFEM Office for Arab States, Turkey and North Africa pages on unifem website for relevant information and application guidelines.

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Urgent Action Fund - Africa	P.O. Box 53841-00200, Nairobi, Kenya Tel: 254-202301740 Fax: 254-202301740 Email: info@urgentactionfund- africa.or.ke Website: www.urgentactionfund- africa.or.ke	Africa	Peace building, transitional justice, and rapid response grantmaking: providing small amounts of money in time-urgent situations to women's rights groups throughout Africa. Funding categories include: (i) interventions in situations of armed conflict, esc	See website for application guidelines; applications accepted and grants awarded throughout the year; UAF-A will respond within 72 hours either with an acknowledgement, decline or follow-up
Urgent Action Fund for Women's Rights	3100 Arapahoe Ave, Suite 201, Boulder, Colorado 80303 USA Tel: 303-4422388 Fax: 303-4422370 Email: urgentact@urgentactionfund. org Website: www.urgentactionfund.org	Global (except Africa)	Rapid response grantmaking: providing small amounts of money in time-urgent situations to women's rights groups globally. Funding categories include: (i) interventions in situations of armed conflict, escalating violence or politically volatile environmen	See website for application guidelines; applications accepted and grants awarded throughout the year; UAF will respond within 72 hours either with an acknowledgement, decline or follow-up
Virginia Gildersleeve International Fund (VGIF)	3 West 29th Street, Suite 1002, New York, NY 10001 USA Tel: 1-2122130622 Fax: 1-2122130684 Email: vgif@vgif.org Website: www.vgif.org	Global	Grants in low income countries to improve the lives of women and children through projects for educational activities, leadership training, community development, and advancement of international understanding and cooperation	See website for application guidelines and grant history; proposals received by Nov 1 and awarded in April the following year