

# Expression of Interest (EOI)

## Letter and Questionnaire

**To:** Civil Society Organizations (CSOs), Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs) and Non-Profit Organizations Present in Selected Geographic Areas in Northwest Syria and Turkey, with FSL Experience

**From:** Grants Department, Global Communities

**Reference:** Seeking Local Partners for FSL Activities (Food Assistance, Nutrition, Agriculture and Rapid Response)

**EOI Number:** GC-EOI-22-001

### Background

Global Communities is an international organization committed to implementing development and humanitarian programming in partnership with communities worldwide to bring about sustainable, impactful changes that improve the lives and livelihoods of the vulnerable. We make a difference by engaging with communities, governments, the private sector, CSOs and NGOs as partners for good, bringing together complementary strengths and shared responsibilities to work toward common goals. We work with a focus on dual accountability – to the communities whom we are committed to helping and to the donors who trust us to use their resources wisely and effectively.

Global Communities is interested in identifying potential partners for work on our flagship program and other opportunities as they arise. We are soliciting interest from organizations who would be interested in partnering on future food assistance, agriculture, and/or nutrition projects. The number and scope of partners selected will be determined by our own funding levels and strategic fit in addition to the information provided by organizations through their expression of interest; this may also result in no new partnerships.

### Global Communities' Work in Syria

Global Communities aids those in need with an emphasis on saving lives, easing suffering and improving living conditions through the provision of food assistance, agricultural inputs, quality shelter solutions, protection assistance and water, sanitation and hygiene (WASH) activities. Global Communities is committed to assisting those affected by the crisis, prioritizing the most vulnerable, while planning for a sustainable recovery. We are a principled humanitarian responder who works through partnerships and direct implementation.

### Eligibility Criteria

This opportunity is open to non-profit CSOs and NGOs working at the community level in the geographic areas listed below and sensitive to the needs of women and children. All CSOs and NGOs must have active registration in Turkey and authorization to work in Northwest Syria and have operations ongoing in Syria and/or Turkey.

#### ***Relevant Sector Experience***

This EOI is sector-specific, organizations with experience and technical expertise in the Food Assistance and/or Nutrition, Agriculture and Rapid FSL Response sectors are welcome to apply.

Global Communities is a leading member of and contributor to the Turkey-based FSL Cluster. During the past five years, Global Communities has implemented several FSL interventions, including distribution of agricultural inputs (seeds, tools, fertilizer, livestock, fodder), wheat to bread value chain enhancement, bakeries and mills rehabilitation, support to agriculture extension centers, support with mobile agricultural clinics, training and capacity

development, distribution of regular and rapid response food assistance, irrigation system rehabilitation, and biogas unit construction.

### ***Relevant Geographic Areas in Syria***

Interested and eligible organizations must have a presence and experience working in the following geographic locations: Northern and Western Aleppo Governorate and Idlib Governorate

### ***Full Eligibility Criteria and Instructions***

An EOI letter and completed questionnaire must be filled and submitted by **January 05, 2023**. Global Communities will review applications on an on-going basis. Eligibility criteria are as follows:

- Must have prior experience of at least a total of one year with international donors. E.g. United Nations, USAID, WHO, BPRM, ECHO, etc. Sub-grantee experience counts
- Must have a presence in and experience implementing humanitarian activities in one or more of the geographic areas listed for a minimum of six months
- Must have experience implementing at least one Food Assistance and/or Nutrition, Agriculture and Rapid FSL Response program with a value of \$250,000 USD or more
- Must demonstrate a qualified and diversified staff
- Must have past performance references related to the area of technical expertise and geographic area
- Must have adequate management systems in place to manage finances and assets
- Must have knowledge and application of US government regulations and/or UN standards
- Have demonstrated knowledge and application of humanitarian principles

Ranking of EOI letters and questionnaires will be based on the following:

- Needs of the donor and strategic fit with Global Communities' priorities
- Official registration of the CSO/NGO
- At least 5 years prior experience and past performance working in the Food Security & Livelihoods and/or nutrition technical sector(s).
- Qualifications of key technical staff
- Presence experience and expertise in terms of engagement with targeted population, including on exit strategies
- Presence experience and expertise in terms of rapid response to emergencies.
- Presence and prior experience and past performance working in relevant geographic areas
- Demonstrated organizational management systems (finance, procurement, security, logistics systems, etc.) for compliance to donor rules and regulations
- Demonstrated knowledge and past performance applying humanitarian principles
- Organizational audit reports
- Capacity to implement similar modalities and conduct similar size procurements

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Responding organizations are advised that this EOI letter and questionnaire do not in any way obligate Global Communities to make an award or compensate the responding organizations for any costs associated with the preparation and submission of their letters and background information.