



The Kakuma Kalobeyei Challenge Fund (KKCF) is a program of the International Finance Corporation (IFC), implemented with Africa Enterprise Challenge Fund, Turkana County Government, and UNHCR. The five-year program is designed to support private sector investment and unlock the economic potential of refugees and their hosts, in Kenya's Turkana County.

COMPETITIVE BUSINESS CHALLENGE

Social Enterprise Window (SEW)

KKCF's Competitive Business Challenge offers incentives to small and medium-sized businesses looking to enter Kakuma and Kalobeyei refugee hosting areas and is managed by AECF.

OPEN FOR APPLICATIONS

8th of Dec 2021 to 31 Jan 2022

We are now inviting grant applications from established social enterprises for projects that aim to increase sustainable access to public goods and essential services for refugees and host communities in Kakuma and Kalobeyei areas, Turkana West.

The Social Enterprise Window specifically seeks to promote business models which increase access to water and sanitation, engage in recycling, or provide childcare services for low-income families.

All proposed projects should be commercially viable and sustainable

and have the potential to raise incomes, provide goods and services, create jobs, and improve living standards for families living in these areas – both refugee and host communities.

Funding

Social enterprises currently present in the areas or those willing to enter the market are invited to apply for performance-based grants, ranging from US \$100,000 to a maximum of US \$750,000, which will also require co-financing from the enterprises.

Funding must be used for a specific project in Kakuma and Kalobeyei areas, e.g. entry to the market or scaling up an existing project.

Technical support will be available for successful applicants to maximise their project's sustainability and development impact.

Social Enterprise Competition Window

Purpose: Improve the lives of people living in Kakuma and Kalobeyei areas

Funding: US \$100,000 - \$750,000

Who can apply: Social enterprises with at least two years of accounts.

Must be registered and operating in Kenya if awarded grant.

The KKCF Social Enterprise Window Round 2 is **open to businesses that focus on increasing access to:**



Water



Sanitation



Recycling



Childcare

Eligibility criteria:

KKCF is targeting social enterprises that will create sustainable operations that extend beyond the life of the five-year duration of the program.

To be considered a Social Enterprise your business should:

- Have a clear social or environmental agenda included in your governing documents;
- Re-invest a large portion of your profits back into the business for sustainability purposes;
- Not be an NGO or government institution; and
- Be transparent and accountable.

To be eligible for funding, businesses must meet the following criteria:

- Request a grant within the stipulated range.
- Be legally registered as a for-profit company (e.g., corporation, LLC, etc.) or be a branch/subsidiary of an international for-profit company. The business must be physically established in Kenya at the time of awarding and investment by AECF.

- Have been in operation for a minimum of two years and produce two years of audited accounts [these could be from the parent company, if recently established as a branch/subsidiary in Kenya].
- Compliant with all government statutory requirements.
- Pass AECF's KYC (know your customer), AMT/CFT (anti-money laundering and counter-financing of terrorism), PEP (politically exposed person) and IDD (integrity due diligence) screening.
- Comply with applicable national laws relating to human rights, labor and social and environmental management and respect internationally recognized human rights standards, as expressed in the International Bill of Human Rights and in the core labor standards established through the International Labor Organization.
- Businesses not listed on the International Finance Corporation (IFC) Exclusion List, i.e. businesses supporting terrorism, production/trade of weapons, radioactive materials, tobacco, etc. Women and youth-owned/led businesses are highly encouraged to apply.

Selection criteria:

Each applicant will be evaluated and scored against the criteria that includes:

- Geographic focus areas of Kakuma and Kalobeyi and how the project intends to benefit either host or refugee communities, or both.
- Capacity of the project to deliver and sustain social impact, particularly for refugees and women and youth.
- Strength of the project's commercial viability and sustainability.
- Demonstrated potential to attract further commercial funding, beyond the grant provided by KKCF, if needed.
- Demonstrated capacity of the applicant's management team to implement the proposed business / project.
- Demonstrated understanding of the forced displacement context, gender issues and culture of Kakuma refugee camp and host community.
- For the full-term sheet, please go to <https://kkcfke.org/social-enterprise-window/>

COMPETITIVE BUSINESS CHALLENGE Process

-  1 Concept Note Submission
-  2 Concept Note Shortlisting
-  3 Business Plan Development & Due Diligence
-  4 Business Plan Shortlisting
-  5 Grant Award
-  6 Contracting

HOW TO Apply

To apply for a grant, please go to www.kkcfke.org/competitions

All applicants must submit their application through AECF's online platform.

The application window closes at midnight EAT on Monday, 31 January 2022.

If you need further clarification regarding the application process and requirements, please email

info@kkcfke.org

Terms and conditions apply

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