



URAIA TRUST

COUNTY BASED CALL FOR CONCEPT NOTES 2019

ROOTING DEMOCRACY IN KENYA THROUGH AN INFORMED CITIZENRY – PHASE TWO

REFERENCE NO. URAIA/CFC/1/2019

1.0 INTRODUCTION

Uraia Trust is a national organization that supports democratic transformation processes in Kenya. Its mission is *“To provide quality civic education and empower Kenyans to exercise their civic duty in order to realize their constitutional aspirations.”*

Uraia’s work is informed by its four Key Focus Areas (KFAs), which are:

- (i) Entrenching constitutionalism,
- (ii) Promoting free and fair elections,
- (iii) Addressing the historical political marginalisation of women, youth, persons with disabilities and minority communities in Kenya,
- (iv) Internal excellence.

Uraia Trust wishes to invite civil society organizations to participate in the implementation of the above Programme: *“Rooting Democracy in Kenya through an Informed Citizenry”* – Phase Two. The goal of this Programme is to contribute towards developing an informed, empowered and democratic nation. Uraia wishes to work with organisations that subscribe to its values, which are, integrity, professionalism, teamwork, equality, equity and non-partisanship.

1.1 PROGRAMME OBJECTIVES, OUTPUTS AND ACTIVITIES.

1.1.1 Objectives:

This call aims at supporting Civil Society Organizations (CSOs) non-partisan projects targeted at achieving the following Programme objectives:

KFA 1: Entrenching constitutionalism:

1. Facilitating citizens to embody national values and the spirit of the Constitution in the exercise of their sovereign power.
2. Facilitating CSOs and citizens to participate in strengthening public institutions and holding public officials to account.
3. Safeguarding and strengthening devolution for improved service delivery and transformation of lives.

KFA 2: Promoting Free and Fair Elections:

4. Enhancing participation of citizens in the electoral processes.

KFA 3: Addressing the historical political marginalisation of women, youth, persons with disabilities and minority communities in Kenya:

5. Increasing and enhancing representation of historically marginalised groups and communities in governance processes.

1.1.2 Expected Programme Results**(a) Expected Outcomes**

Proposed interventions should contribute to:

- Increased citizen participation, engagement and oversight in governance at the national and county level.
- Improved service delivery at the county level.
- Improved participation of women, youth and PWDs in decision making and governance processes.

(b) Expected outputs:

Proposed activities should contribute to the following outputs:

- Citizens acquire civic and voter knowledge on the Constitution, electoral processes, gender equality, devolution and public participation.
- Citizens providing voice and oversight on the performance of public officials and institutions.
- Citizens engaging in monitoring and oversight of county government performance.
- Capacity of marginalized groups (Women, Youth, minority communities and PWDs) strengthened to participate in decision making processes.

1.1.3 Type of activities:

These may include:

Civic education activities that are innovative and include the use of different media, but not limited to the use of community radio and theatre. The civic education should focus on among others:

- Education on the implications and application of the Constitution, devolution, rights and responsibilities including conversations on on-going constitutional matters.
- Promoting internalization of national values & principles of governance, national cohesion, gender equality, leadership and integrity.
- Education on electoral processes (e.g. boundaries review process).

Civic engagement activities that focuses on among others:

- Equipping local communities with knowledge and skills for their participation in county planning and budgeting process.
- Capacity building and facilitating local communities to participate in monitoring implementation of county plans and service delivery using social accountability mechanisms.
- Mobilizing and facilitating community accountability formations to engage in monitoring county governments on service delivery.

- Capacity building and facilitation of local communities to demand accountability from county governments.
- Capacity building of marginalized groups (women, youth and PWDs) to participate in local decision-making processes and structures.
- Creating spaces for CSOs/citizen engagement with county governments to promote participatory governance for improved service delivery.

This list is not exhaustive

Note: Interventions proposed must demonstrate a clear link between civic education and citizen participation and engagement.

2.0 TARGET COUNTIES

This call targets county-based organizations with a physical presence in the counties outlined below:

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| 1) Embu | 2) Homa Bay | 3) Kirinyaga | 4) Laikipia |
| 5) Narok | 6) Nyeri | 7) Nyamira | 8) Nandi |
| 9) Kajiado | 10) Kericho | 11) Kakamega | 12) Lamu |
| 13)Nyandarua | 14) Migori | 15) Vihiga | 16) Tharaka Nithi |
| 17) Kilifi | 18) Siaya | 19) Kisii | 20) Makueni |
| 21) Machakos | 22) Bomet | | |

Applying organisations **must** have a physical presence in the target county and provide evidence of the same when applying. Note: An organisation can only apply to work in **One County**.

3.0 PROJECT DURATION AND GRANT AMOUNT

- The period for applicant's proposed project is a minimum of **12 months** and maximum of **18 months**.
- The proposed project budget is minimum of **Kshs. 4.5 million and a maximum of kshs 6.0m**

4.0 INELIGIBLE ACTIVITES

Ineligible activities include, but are not limited to the following:

- Activities concerned only or mainly with individual sponsorship for participation in international workshops/conferences.
- Activities concerned only or mainly with individual scholarships for studies or training courses.
- Activities supporting political parties.

5.0 APPLICATION PROCEDURES:

The application process will be in two stages the first being a concept note submission. Only organisations that qualify at stage one will be invited to submit full proposals.

At this initial stage, Uraia wishes to invite interested organizations to only submit **concept notes** that contribute to the expected results outlined above.

Full information on the application process including concept note and budget guidelines are available through the Uraia website, www.uraia.or.ke or via email through a request to info@uraia.or.ke. For more details, call Tel: +254 020 2135561, Mobile: 0728 608737.

6.0 SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

Concept notes are to be submitted **by 8th April 2019, 5:00pm** via email to rdkfp2019@uraia.or.ke or by post/courier/hand delivery through the following address and clearly marked “Uraia Rooting Democracy Phase II Call for Concepts 2019 – Reference no. URAIA/CFC/1/2019”. Any form of canvassing will lead to immediate disqualification. No payments are made with regards to this application. The concept guidelines are not for sale, Uraia Trust operates free, fair, open and competitive requests for proposal process and does not charge any fees to prospective applicants.

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