

Call for bids in Kazakhstan: respond to the COVID-19 challenges

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This year the British Embassy in Nur-Sultan is seeking to support small projects that aim to address issues and risks that emerged as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. The projects should aim at responding to the COVID-19-related challenges through provision of a knowledge and capacity building, analytical and advisory support, etc.

We are particularly interested in project proposals focused on:

1. combatting the potential negative impact of COVID-19 on democracy, political and economic inclusion
2. informing the public of the current human rights situation in the country
3. addressing existing issues in the country's social protection system with a particular focus on vulnerable groups
4. supporting the country's economic recovery by providing advisory support on economic issues, including fiscal policy, financial sector, etc.

The projects should incorporate online components, such as webinars, e-conferences, digital education, etc. which will be comprehensive, self-standing and easily accessible.

The British Embassy in Nur-Sultan is seeking to support Kazakhstan in its COVID-19 response plans, and work closely with the government bodies, civil society organizations, academic institutions, etc.

Bid guidance

- project will be funded in the 2020/2021 financial year that will end on 31 March 2021, with no expectation of continued funding beyond this period
- only projects directly related to COVID-19 will be considered
- maximum budget limit: USD 12,000

Assessment

Bids will be assessed against the following criteria:

- alignment with the above mentioned thematic priorities and outcomes
- outcomes are achievable within the funding period
- project design includes clear monitoring and evaluation procedures
- sustainability demonstrating that project benefits continue after the funding ends
- risk and financial accountability procedures
- the organisation's safeguarding policies that ensure protection of beneficiaries
- overall value for money

Process

1. project proposals must be received by midnight on 17 July 2020. Late proposals will not be considered
2. proposals must be submitted using the attached forms only (Project Proposal and Activity Based Budget)
3. proposals must be submitted to ukinkz@fco.gov.uk
4. project proposals selected for further consideration will be notified on 31 July 2020
5. the British Embassy Nur-Sultan aim to sign grant agreements with successful project implementers by 14 August 2020

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Documents

[Activity Based Budget Template](#) (MS Excel Spreadsheet, 29.9KB) [Project Proposal Form above £10k](#) (MS Word Document, 87.5KB)

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