



Call for Proposals - Habitat for Humanity Young Leaders Build Advocacy Grants

Be a leader in one of the largest regional volunteering campaigns and raise awareness about the power of youth in advocating for decent housing for all!

The Habitat for Humanity Young Leaders Build 2018 campaign brings together young people from across the Asia-Pacific region to support families in need of decent housing. Young people volunteer, fundraise and speak out for the need for decent and affordable housing as a way out of poverty and toward self-reliance.

As part of the 2018 campaign, Habitat for Humanity is inviting eligible youth organizations and individuals to apply for grants in amount of US\$ 500-1,000 as financial support towards advocacy activities.

Campaign objectives

- Incentivize young people to undertake policy oriented advocacy activities during the HYL B campaign period (December 2017 to April 2018).
- Encourage and support youth to raise their voices on public policy issues on land and housing.
- Use the opportunity for young people to make policy asks in creative and innovative ways, using various tactics.

Who can apply for a grant?

Youth organizations, groups and individuals in Asia-Pacific (where Habitat for Humanity has offices) are eligible to receive grants. Habitat for Humanity's national organizations can also encourage and facilitate the participation of potential applicants.

Advocacy thematic areas

The grants will support advocacy activities that aim to impact policies by influencing decision makers, or change practice or systems in the following thematic areas:

- **Housing** – *Should decent and affordable housing be at the center of cities' growth and development plans? Are there laws at the local or national level that guarantee everyone's right to decent housing?*
- **Disaster resilience** – *Are existing laws and regulations providing efficient and effective support to people affected by disasters? How can governments consistently provide resources so communities and families are empowered to reduce their disaster exposure and vulnerabilities?*



- **Gender and property rights** – *How can law, policies or norms make it possible for both men and women to equally own land or other property?*
- **Slum upgrading** – *Can communities dialogue with local authorities to get the assurance that people living in slums can have tenure security? What resources can be made available to slum dwellers so they can upgrade their urban residences and communities?*
- **Security of tenure** – *What can policymakers do to ensure that everyone has access to land for shelter without fear of eviction?*

Grant amount

Individuals and/or organizations can submit proposals for funding in amount of US\$500 –US\$ 1,000. Each applicant may present more than one application for consideration.

How to apply?

1. Interested applicants must completely fill out the application form for HYLB advocacy grants with details of proposed project/activity. The application form can be downloaded from the HYLB Facebook page bit.ly/HabitatYLB.
2. Submit the complete application form to ap_info@habitat.org. When sending the application email, please indicate on the Subject field: "Advocacy Grant – [project name]" to facilitate monitoring and receipt of application.
3. A Habitat for Humanity representative in your country might contact you/your organization if further clarification on any part of the proposal. Details of where Habitat for Humanity operates in Asia-Pacific can be found at habitat.org/where-webuild/asia-pacific.
4. Applications will be received and accepted on a rolling basis until funds are expended. The deadline for receiving the first batch of applications is **31 January 2018**.
5. The final decisions on the grants will be made by a review committee at Habitat for Humanity's Asia-Pacific Area Office.
6. Successful applicants will be notified through the Habitat for Humanity office in their country. Awardees are expected to complete their activities **within the HYLB campaign period (by 30 April 2018)**. However, should there be justification to go beyond this period, activities may be extended. Upon completion of their advocacy activities, grant recipients will have to submit a post-activity report, whose template will be provided by Habitat for Humanity.

Apply now! For any questions or clarifications, please contact ap_info@habitat.org.