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## Idea

Seeking seed funding to research or test a new or unproven idea or a prototype. \$10,000 maximum funding request.

Entry name

Full Name

Role of Applicant (optional)

Email Address

Material may be supplied as follows:

- 1. Please submit your budget in the attachments tab. The link to the budget template is [here - budget template](#).**
- 2. Please attach your approval from a member of the Management Board at a FINCA subsidiary, a FINCA Ventures investee, or a department head at FI, FIF HQ or SSC in the attachments tab. Examples of approval include emails, written approval, or any other official documentation from the subsidiary, investee or department head.**
3. You can provide this information as PDF files, JPG files, video files or a combination of the above. For PDFs and JPGs, the maximum file size is 5MB per file.
4. You can provide a maximum of five attachments with your entry.

What is the main problem you are trying to solve or the urgent need you seek to address?

250 words

Clearly define the problem related to poverty. Think about how this issue impacts individuals' ability to escape poverty or access basic services like education, financial tools, or healthcare. Be specific in linking the problem to broader systemic challenges of poverty.

What solution are you proposing and what are the anticipated outcomes?

500 words

Describe your solution in detail and how it directly helps alleviate poverty. Does it provide access to essential services (e.g., healthcare, clean energy, financial services) or address critical gaps in education or income generation? Consider how this solution can create sustainable change for marginalized populations.

Describe the target customers you intend to reach.

250 words

Define who will benefit from your solution. Focus on underserved groups, such as low-income communities. Include details like location, age, gender, and specific challenges they face. Briefly explain why they are the right audience for your project and how your solution meets their needs.

Describe the community involvement in defining the problem(s) and potential solution(s)

500 words

How did you consult with the community to gather their insights, ideas, and needs? Highlight any methods you used — such as interviews, surveys, or focus groups — and describe how their input helped you design a solution that truly meets their needs.

Describe the applicant or team's skills, experiences, and qualifications.

250 words

Highlight your experience in addressing the earlier mentioned problem (in question 1). Discuss your familiarity with the problem, especially in the regions or sectors where you plan to work.

Does the applicant have lived experience of being directly impacted by poverty?

250 words

If applicable, share your personal or team's lived experiences with poverty and how these insights drive your commitment to finding solutions.

How will you define and measure impact? If applying in the Scale category, what key impact metrics do you measure?

250 words

Outline the specific, measurable outcomes your project will deliver. Consider metrics like the number of people reached, improvements in access to vital services (healthcare, education, energy), increased skills, or new jobs created. If scaling, include the data you currently track to show your growth and impact on underserved communities.

What is the requested amount and spending plan? If applying in the Project or Scale category, or you are making a multi-year request, you must upload a detailed budget and spending plan document in the Attachments tab.

250 words

Provide a clear breakdown of how the requested funds will be spent. Specify costs for key activities (e.g., staffing, materials, technology), and if it's a multi-year request, include a yearly breakdown.

Is your proposed solution included in your existing annual budget?

Yes

No

Not Applicable

If yes, explain how the proposed funding will be incorporated.

Have you sought funding for your solution elsewhere and what were the results?

250 words

Mention any other funding efforts and their outcomes to show financial planning.

Sustainability Plan – how will your proposed solution be supported beyond the term of the grant?

250 words

Describe how your project will continue after the funding ends. Think about how you will secure future funding, generate revenue, or form partnerships to keep the project running. If your solution relies on community support or local resources, explain how they will help sustain the work over time.

In your own words, describe how your proposal reflects FINCA's mission and the purpose and guiding principles of the Rupert W. Scofield Vision Fund.

500 words

Explain why you think your project is a clear reflection of what both FINCA and this Fund are aiming to achieve.

Does your proposal represent groundbreaking thinking or has the potential to make a revolutionary discovery to end poverty?

Yes

No

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Budget Submission

Approval Submission

Miscellaneous Documents