

Zoie Gardner Overseas Fund (ZGOF)

Unitarian Universalist Community of Victoria

Project Funding Criteria

1. Organization must be an incorporated non-profit society, registered in Canada.
2. Organization must be a registered Canadian charity, in good standing with the Canada Revenue Agency.
3. Project funds are to be used to support education of girls and young women in low-income countries. Education is broadly defined, to include a range of activities in addition to traditional schooling, such as skills training and knowledge acquisition.
4. Funds may be used for such things as scholarships, tuition fees, skills training, workshops, support groups, and goods and services that support education and empowerment of girls and young women, eg. medical care, female health and reproductive care, educational materials, computers and technical support, uniforms, tutoring, teachers, counselling, family support, transport to school, bicycles.
5. Preference will be given to impactful organizations and projects, with good education outcomes for funding value.
6. Proposed projects must have robust delivery mechanisms, which may include local partner organizations in the host country.
7. Organization must have strong financial, evaluation, reporting and oversight capability.
8. Organization must ensure that faith is not a requirement for participation in ZGOF-funded activities, and that ZGOF funding is not used for proselytizing, or religious activities or services, including faith-based programming.
9. ZGOF will consider single-year or multi-year projects (eg. tuition fees over a few years). For multi-year, ZGOF would likely disburse funds annually.
10. ZGOF intends to have disbursed ALL its funds by approximately 2032; any multi-year proposal needs to demonstrate how this finite term is recognized.