

## CALL FOR PROPOSALS

### Climate Finance Sustainability – Project Maintenance Grant Window Tonga Climate Change Fund (TCCF)

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#### 1. Background

The sustainability of climate finance is essential for the long-term effectiveness of Tonga's Climate Change Fund (TCCF). Unlike typical aid or government programmes that rely on short-term budgets, the TCCF is designed as a lasting financial resource that grows over time, ensuring Tonga can address both current and future climate challenges.

The Climate Finance Sustainability – Project Maintenance priority focuses on ensuring that previously funded TCCF projects continue to deliver intended benefits by supporting their ongoing maintenance and upkeep. This effort aligns with **Target 20 of JNAP 2** (“sustainable funding for climate change and resilience building needs”) and **Objective 5** (“secure and mobilize the required finances and resources to build a resilient Tonga by 2035”).

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#### 2. Objectives

The Project Maintenance Grant Window aims to:

- Ensure long-term functionality and effectiveness of previously funded TCCF projects
  - Support communities in maintaining climate resilience infrastructure
  - Strengthen the longevity of investments in community-based adaptation and mitigation initiatives
  - Align with Tonga's national climate change priorities and resilience strategies
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#### 3. Funding Available

Funding is allocated under this grant window to support maintenance and upkeep of existing TCCF-funded projects.

- Maximum request: TOP \$50,000
- No minimum request amount
- Estimated project implementation timeline: 18 months
- Geographic focus: Nationwide

#### 3A. Eligible Expenses

Funds may be used for the essential maintenance of previously funded TCCF projects, including:

- Septic tank and latrine maintenance

- Rainwater harvesting system maintenance
- Coastal and inland infrastructure upkeep (seawall maintenance)
- Labour, materials, and services directly related to maintenance activities

**Ineligible expenses include:**

- Construction of new projects not previously funded by TCCF
- Purchase of vehicles or heavy machinery

*See TCCF Regulation 52 'Prohibited activities and expenditure for use of the Fund' for further information.*

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#### **4. Eligibility Criteria**

- TCCF Accredited Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs) or Community Development Groups

**Beneficiaries:**

- Households and communities previously supported by TCCF projects
  - Priority will be given to households identified by the Tonga Statistics Department and Ministry of Internal Affairs as living below the poverty line.
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#### **5. Application Requirements**

Applications must include:

- Completed **TCCF Project Application Form** – Schedule 8 of the TCCF Regulations 2024 (available [here](#))
  - Proof of eligibility (accreditation certificate for entities)
  - Supporting letters from relevant authorities or community representatives
  - Compliance with prohibited activities and expenditure rules (Regulation 52, TCCF Regulations 2024)
  - Details of any co-financing or in-kind contributions (optional but encouraged)
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#### **6. Submission Process**

- **Deadline: 5:00 PM on Friday, 26 September 2025**
- **Submission methods:**
  - Email: [departmentclimatechange@gmail.com](mailto:departmentclimatechange@gmail.com)
  - Physical submission: Ministry of Meteorology, Energy, Information, Disaster Management, Environment, Climate Change and Communications (MEIDECC), Level 3, OG Sanft Building, Nuku'alofa, Tonga
- Applications may be submitted in **English or Tongan**

- Late submissions will **not** be considered
  - Enquiries: departmentclimatechange@gmail.com | Phone: 26514
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## **7. Considerations for Project Design**

Applicants should demonstrate how their project will:

- Maintain and sustain previously funded TCCF projects to maximize longevity and climate resilience
  - Target priority households and communities most exposed to climate risks
  - Ensure accountability and compliance with TCCF regulations
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## **8. Evaluation Criteria**

### **Alignment with National Priorities:**

- Supports Tonga's long-term climate finance sustainability and resilience objectives

### **Project Design & Impact:**

- Clear outcomes for project maintenance
- Demonstrated benefits for previously funded projects and target communities

### **Implementer Capacity:**

- Proven experience in maintaining community or infrastructure projects
- Financial and technical capacity to manage grants effectively

### **Community Benefit & Inclusivity:**

- Focus on vulnerable households and climate-exposed communities
- Positive impact across women, men, children, and other at-risk groups

### **Sustainability & Contributions:**

- Ensures long-term viability of existing projects
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## **9. Post-Award Obligations**

Successful applicants must:

- Sign a Project Implementation Agreement with the TCCF Secretariat (Schedule 12, TCCF Regulations 2024)
- Comply with the TCCF Act 2021 and Regulations 2025; submit regular progress, monitoring, and financial reports
- Allow site visits, monitoring, and audits
- Acknowledge TCCF support in all communications
- Seek Secretariat approval for any project changes
- Use funds only for approved purposes stated in the Agreement

## FANONGONONGO KE TOHI KOLE MAI

### Pa'anga Tokoni ki he Tolonga 'o e Pa'anga Feliuliaki 'o e 'Ea

#### Pa'anga Tokoni á Tonga ki he Feliuliaki 'o e 'Ea (TCCF)

### 1. Puipuitu'a

Ko e tu'ulua 'o e pa'anga ki he 'ea 'oku mahu'inga ia ki he ola lelei taimi loloa 'o e Pa'anga Tokoni ki he Feliuliaki 'o e 'Ea 'a Tonga (TCCF). 'Oku 'ikai ke hangē ko e ngaahi tokoni angamaheni pe ngaahi polokalama 'a e pule'anga 'oku fakafalala ki he patiseti taimi nounou, 'oku fa'u 'a e TCCF ko ha ma'u'anga tokoni fakapa'anga tu'ulua 'oku tupulaki 'i he 'alu 'a e taimi, 'o fakapapau'i 'e lava 'e Tonga 'o fakafepaki'i 'a e ngaahi pole 'o e 'ea lolotonga mo e kaha'u.

Ko e fakamu'omu'a 'o e Tu'uma'u 'o e Pa'anga 'o e 'Ea – Tauhi 'o e Poloseki 'oku fakatefito ia 'i hono fakapapau'i 'oku kei fakahoko 'e he ngaahi poloseki TCCF na'e fakapa'anga kimu'a 'a e ngaahi lelei na'e fakataumu'a ki ai 'aki hono poupou'i 'enau tauhi mo tauhi hokohoko. 'Oku fenāpasi 'a e feinga ko 'eni mo e Taketi 20 'o e JNAP 2 ("fakapa'anga tu'ulua ki he feliuliaki 'o e 'ea mo e ngaahi fiema'u langa 'o e ngaahi tu'unga fakatu'utāmaki") pea mo e Taumu'a 5 ("malu'i mo fakatahataha'i 'a e pa'anga mo e ngaahi ma'u'anga tokoni 'oku fiema'u ke langa hake ha Tonga 'oku tu'u ma'u 'i he 2035").

### 2. Ngaahi Taumu'a .

**'Oku fakataumu'a 'a e Pa'anga Tokoni ki he Tauhi 'o e Poloseki ke:**

- Fakapapau'i 'a e ngaue mo e ola lelei taimi loloa 'o e ngaahi poloseki TCCF na'e fakapa'anga kimu'a .
- Poupou'i 'a e ngaahi komiuniti 'i hono tauhi 'o e ngaahi langa fakalakalaka 'oku nau lava 'o matu'uaki 'a e 'ea .
- Fakamālohia 'a e mo'ui fuoloa 'o e ngaahi 'inivesimeni 'i he ngaahi fokotu'utu'u fakafe'unga mo e fakasi'isi'i 'o e ngaahi faingata'a 'oku fakatefito 'i he komiuniti .
- Fakafe'unga'i mo e ngaahi me'a fakamu'omu'a fakafonua 'a Tonga ki he feliuliaki 'o e 'ea mo e ngaahi founa ngaue ki he feliuliaki 'o e 'ea

### 3. Ngaahi Tokoni fakapa'anga

'Oku vahe'i 'a e pa'anga 'i he malumalu 'o e matapa tokoni ko 'eni ke poupou ki hono tauhi mo tauhi 'o e ngaahi poloseki 'oku lolotonga fakapa'anga 'e he TCCF.

- Kole lahi taha: TOP \$50,000
- Fakafuofua ki he taimi 'e fakahoko ai 'a e poloseki: māhina 'e 18
- Ngaahi Feituú ku fakatefito kiai e tokoni: Fakafonua kotoa

#### 3A. Ngaahi Fakamole 'oku Taau

'E lava ke ngāue'aki 'a e pa'anga ki hono tauhi mahu'inga 'o e ngaahi poloseki TCCF na'e fakapa'anga kimu'a, kau ai 'a e:

- Tokanga'i 'o e tangikē sepitiki mo e falemālōlō .
- Tokanga'i 'o e sisitemi tanaki 'o e vai 'uha .
- Tauhi 'o e ngaahi langa fakalakalaka 'i he matātahi mo e 'uta (tokanga'i 'o e 'ā tahi)

- Ngāue, ngaahi naunau, mo e ngaahi ngāue ‘oku fekau‘aki hangatonu mo e ngaahi ngāue tokanga‘i .

Ko e ngaahi fakamole ‘oku ‘ikai taau ‘oku kau ki ai ‘a e:

- Langa ‘o e ngaahi poloseki fo‘ou na’e ‘ikai ke fakapa’anga kimu’a ‘e he TCCF .
- Fakatau ‘o e ngaahi me‘alele pe ngaahi mīsini mamafa .

*Vakai ki he Tu‘utu’uni 52 ‘a e TCCF ‘Ngaahi ngaue mo e fakamole ‘oku tapui ki hono ngaue’aki ‘o e Pa’anga’ ki ha toe fakamatala.*

#### **4. Ngaahi Makatu’unga ó e tohi kole**

- Ngaahi Kautaha ‘Ikai Fakapule’anga (NGOs) kuo Fakamo’oni’i ‘e he TCCF pe Ngaahi Kulupu Fakalalakalaka Fakakolo

#### **Kau Ma‘u Monu‘ia:**

- Ngaahi ‘api mo e ngaahi komiuniti na’e pou pou’i kimu’a ‘e he ngaahi poloseki ‘a e TCCF .
- ‘E fakamu’omu’a ‘a e ngaahi ‘api kuo fakapapau’i ‘e he Potungaue Sitetisitika ‘a Tonga mo e Potungaue ki he Ngaahi Me’a Fakalotofonua ‘oku nau mo’ui ‘i lalo ‘i he laine masiva.

#### **5. Ngaahi Fiema'u ki he Tohi Kole .**

Kuo pau ke kau ‘i he ngaahi tohi kole ‘a e:

- Fakakakato 'o e foomu tohi kole ki he Paánga Tokoni á Tonga Ki He Feliuliaki ó e Éa TCCF Project Application Form ([‘oku ma’u ‘i heni](#))
- Fakamo’oni ‘o e taau (tohi fakamo’oni fakamo’oni ki he ngaahi kautaha)
- Tohi pou pou mei he kau ma’u mafai fekau‘aki pe kau fakafongfa ‘o e komiuniti .
- Tauhi ki he ngaahi ngaue ‘oku tapui mo e ngaahi tu‘utu’uni fakamole (Tu‘utu’uni 52, Tu‘utu’uni TCCF 2024)
- Ngaahi fakaikiiki ‘o ha ngaahi tokoni fakapa’anga fakataha pe tokoni fakapa’anga (‘oku fili pē ka ‘oku fakalototo‘a‘i)

#### **6. Founa fakahu mai e tohi kole**

- Taimi ‘e ‘osi ai: **5:00 PM on Falaite, 26 Sepitema 2025**
- Founa ‘a hono fakahu mai:

Potungaue ‘Ea, Malohi, Fakamatala, Tokanga’i ‘o e Fakatamaki, ‘Atakai, Feliuliaki ‘o e ‘Ea mo e Fetu’utaki (MEIDECC)

Levolo 3, Fale OG Sanft, Nuku‘alofa, Tonga

- Ko e ngaahi kole kotoa kuopau ke fakahu mai 'i he lea faka-Pilitania pe faka-Tonga
- Ko e ngaahi tohi kole tomui ‘e ‘ikai tali ia
- Ki ha ngaahi fehu'i, telefoni ki he Sekelitali ‘o e Sino’i Pa’anga ‘a Tonga ki he Feliuliaki ó e ‘Ea. (TCCF Secretariat) 'i:
  - Email: [departmentclimatechange@gmail.com](mailto:departmentclimatechange@gmail.com)
  - Telefoni: 26514

#### **7. Ngaahi Fakakaukau ki he Fa'u 'o e Poloseki .**

‘Oku totonu ke fakahaa‘i ‘e he kau faka‘eke‘eké ‘a e founa ‘e:

- Tauhi mo fakatolonga ‘a e ngaahi poloseki TCCF na’e fakapa’anga kimu’a ke fakalahi ‘a e mo’ui fuoloa mo e matu’uaki ‘o e ‘ea .
- Taketi’i ‘a e ngaahi ‘api mo e ngaahi komiuniti ‘oku nau fehangahangai lahi taha mo e ngaahi fakatu’utamaki ‘o e ‘ea .
- Fakapapau’i ‘oku taliui mo tauhi ‘a e ngaahi tu’utu’uni ‘a e TCCF .

## **8. Ngaahi makatu’unga ‘e fakahoko’aki hono sivi’i**

“E sivi’i ‘a e ngaahi tohi kole fakatatau ki he:

### **Fenapasi mo e ngaahi mahu’inga ‘uluaki fakafonua**

- Tokoni ki he ngaahi mahu’inga ‘uluaki ‘a Tonga ki he feliuliuaki ‘o e ‘ea, ngaahi taumu’a ‘a e Pule’anga ki he matu’uaki, fakasi’isi’i, mo e fakasi’isi’i ‘a e ola tamaki mei ha fakatu’utamaki.

### **Ko hono fa’u mo e ola ‘o e Poloseki**

- Ko ha ola ‘oku mahino lelei pea mo kinautolu tenau ma’u monu’ia mei he poloseki
- ‘E monu’ia lahi mo ola lelei ‘a e poloseki ki he kakai ‘o e kolo ( kau ai ‘a e ngaahi lelei faka’ataakai, fakasosiale mo faka’ekonomika)
- ‘Analaiso ‘o e tu’u lavea ngofua, ngaahi fale ke ne matu’uaki, pea mo e ako fekau’aki mo e feliuliuaki ‘o e ‘ea.

### **Malava ke fakahoko**

- Kuo fakamo’oni’i ‘a e malava ke tokanga’i ‘a e pa’anga ‘aki ‘a e ‘ilo fakatekinikale mo e ngaahi ma’u’anga tokoni ‘oku fie ma’u ke fakahoko lelei ‘a e ngaue.

### **Hoa Fengaue’aki**

- Ngaue fakataha mo e ngaahi Potungaue Pule’anga, Sosaieti Sivile, mo e ngaahi pisinisi taautaha

### **Kau ma’u monu’ia ‘a e Komiuniti pea mo e kau katoa**

- Ngaahi ola lelei ki he kakai fefine, tangata, fanau, mo e ngaahi kulupu tu’u laveangofua
- Fakaha mahino mai ‘a e tokolahi ‘o kinautolu mei he kolo te nau monu’ia
- Fakahaa’i ‘a e feitu’u ‘e tu’u ai ‘a e poloseki.

### **Tu’uloa mo e Ngaahi Tokoni**

- Ko e tu’uloa taimi loloa mo e ngaahi me’a pau ‘o ha fa’ahinga tokoni fakapa’anga pe ‘ikai fakapa’anga.
- Kau ‘a e fakamatala ‘o ha ngaahi tokoni pa’anga pe me’a’ofa, hange ko e ngaahi naunau langa, ngaue, kelekele, mo e tataki pa’anga.

Kataki 'o vakai ki he Schedule 11 'o e Tonga Climate Change Regulations 2024 ma'a e fakamatala fakatatau 'o e founa lau.

## **9. Ngaahi fatongia hili e tokoni**

**Ko kinautolu 'oku tali 'enau ngaahi tohi kole tokoni kuopau ke fiema'u 'a e:**

- Fakamo'oni Aleapau Ki hono Fakahoko ó e poloseki moe sekelitali ki he Sinoí Paánga á Tonga ki he Feliuliaki ó e Éa.
- Tauhi ki he lao TCCF Act 2021 mo e TCCF Regulations 2025, kau ki ai mo e ngaahi lipooti 'e fiema'u
- Fakangofua ke fai ha 'alu atu ki he feitu'u pea mo hono 'atita'i
- Fakaha 'a e pou pou mo e tokoni 'a e TCCF 'i he ngaahi fetu'utaki kotoa pe fekau'aki mo e poloseki.
- Ma'u ha ngofua ki ha liliu ki he ngaahi ngaue kuo 'osi fakangofua'i
- Ngaue'aki e pa'anga tokoni ki he ngaahi taumu'a kuo 'osi fakangofua'i.