



May'Khethele Programme:

Our Choice, Our Future

UTHUKELA DISTRICT – INKOSI LANGALIBALELE

Terms of Reference for the COP22 May'Khethele Programme Application

Name of Prime Organisation	Children in Distress Network (CINDI).
Name of Organisation	Prevention HIV/AIDS in Vulnerable Populations (OVC&Y) Program in South Africa (May'Khethele Program)
Description:	<p>CINDI seeks to implement programme aimed at providing services to Orphaned and Vulnerable Children and Youth through the provision of comprehensive and coordinated evidence-based intervention that strengthen the capacity of families and communities in Inkosi Langalibalele (UThukela District). The objectives are as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) To improve OVCA&Y access to sexual reproductive health and HIV care and preventative services through related small group evidence-based interventions, <i>facilitating access to HTS and successful linkages to ART's and providing adherence support with a special focus on Children Living with HIV (CLHIV) and their families</i>, facilitating access to sexual reproductive health (SRH) and other health services. It will also provide psychosocial and psychological support to infected, bereaved OVCA&Y and victims of abuse. b) To improve child protection and prevention of gender based violence (GBV) through direct support to OVCA&Y, their primary caregivers and the community. c) To improve household economic security and linkage to social protection through provision of training and support to both OVCY&A and their primary care givers.

	d) To improve school retention and progression and early childhood development.
Enquiries to:	Stellar Zulu- programmedirector@cindi.org.za
Applications to be Submitted to:	Completed application forms to be submitted to: applications@cindi.org.za
Closing Date:	27 July 2022 - on or before 16:00

The Children in Distress Network (CINDI) Background

The Children in Distress Network (CINDI), founded in July 1996, is a multi-sectoral network of over 200 civil society organisations capable of implementing diverse, effective and sustainable programmes for children and youth infected or affected by HIV & AIDS. In 2003/4 CINDI established a funding conduit to strengthen the financial resource mobilisation of its members. These would in turn strengthen the capacity of members, non-government and community-based organisations to provide care and support to children and young people made vulnerable by HIV and AIDS through both funding and a capacity development initiative.

CINDI is seeking applications from civil society organisations or Non-Profit entities that will implement a programme targeted at providing services to Orphaned and Vulnerable Children, Adolescents and Youth (OVCA&Y) within Nkosi Langalibalele in UThukela District. CINDI has been funded by the American people through PEPFAR and USAID to support organisations working in communities in scaling up support to the children affected and made vulnerable by HIV/AIDS.

Programme Scope of Work and Targets

Scope:

The programme seeks applicant organisations that will support *families of people living with HIV (PLHIV) and children living with HIV (CLHIV)* within Nkosi Langalibalele in UThukela District's municipal wards. Applicant organisations must have the ability to access targeted populations through multiple entry points with a particular focus on the children fitting the following criteria:

Populations to prioritize:

- *Children Living with HIV.*
- *HIV Exposed Infants and Children of Mothers at risk of Interruptions in Treatment.*
- *Children of HIV Positive Caregivers (Supporting continuity of treatment for the caregivers).*
- *Positive Pregnant Adolescent Girl and Their Babies (Infant and Mother Pairs).*
- *Survivors of Sexual Violence.*
- *Children of Female Sex Workers.*

- *Siblings of CLHIV/Eligible - monitored for HIV risk and Index testing.*
- *Double Orphans.*

In Limited Numbers:

- *Children living with disabilities- give preference to those who are HIV positive.*
- *Children from households affected by COVID-19.*

All children, according to assessed needs and service categories, must be monitored through updated careplans underpinned in the benchmarks of Health, Schooled, Stable and Safe.

Overall Problems Targeted by the COP22 Programme:

- *Focus on the key challenges for children in the epidemic, specifically continues transmission of HIV from mother to child,*
- *The epidemic treatment gap,*
- *Advanced diseases, low virological suppression rates,*
- *The high rate of sexual violence against adolescent girls,*
- *The risk of children losing caregivers due to -adult interruption in treatment and poor viral suppression rates with additional consideration for COVID-19 prevention and mitigation for enrolled families and OVC programme staff,*
- *Ninety-nine percent (90%) of the clients aged under 18 in PEPFAR supported treatment sites in high volume clinics within high burden SNUs, should be offered enrollment in OVC programmes.*
- *Children who are “well” or asymptomatic children living with HIV who remain undiagnosed.*

Selected Partners will address specific services through individual care plans for the following OVC priorities in COP22

The applicant organisation will need to have access to and the ability to manage a cadre caseworkers/caregivers for performance.

The scope of services provided to OVCA&Y will include the following

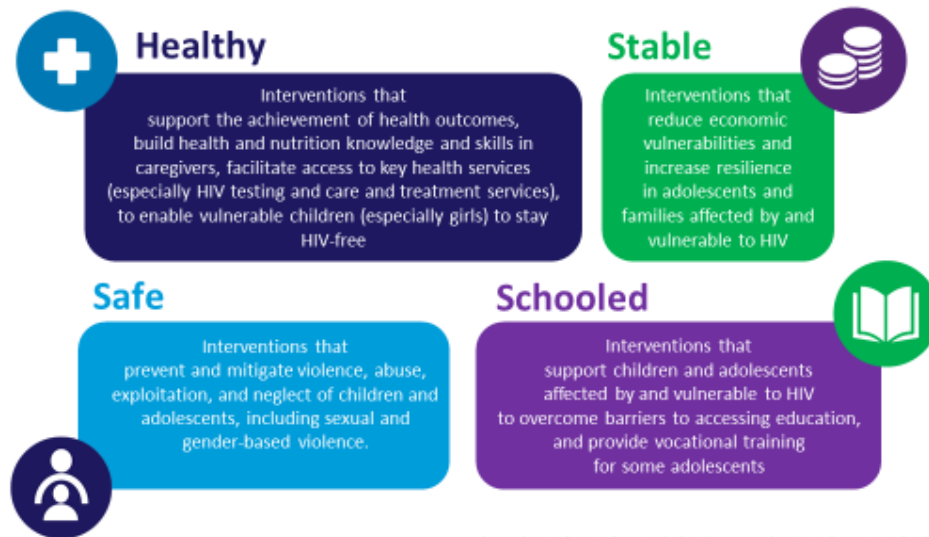
- Providing direct Case Management
- HIV, GBV and IPV Risk Assessment
- Identification and linkage to care of HIV Positive children and their families,
- High impact HIV, TB, STI and SRH referrals,
- Monitor school attendance and progression
- Provide HIV prevention messaging utilizing prescribed evidence based programs
 - Vhutshilo 1
 - Chommy

Ideally, applicant organisations should have previous experience in implementation of the above mentioned services. Proven working relationship with local health service points will be an advantage.

Programme Outcomes:

Figure 1: Outcome for Programme Beneficiaries.

PEPFAR PRIORITY PROGRAMS OVERVIEW



Source: Standard Operating Procedures for Case Management, Coordinating Comprehensive Care for Children (4Children) 2018

Targets:

The successful applicant organisation should have the ability to reach a total of **4506** beneficiaries per year.

Time Frame for the Application Process

Figure 2: Time line of the application process

ACTION	RESPONSIBLE	DATE
Advertise and Deadline applications	Applicant Organisations	27 June 2022 to 22 July 2022
Obligatory Grant solicitation workshop	CINDI	12 July 2022 (Escourt Town Hall, 01 Victoria Street, Escourt, 3310)
Receive full proposals	Funding panel	27 July 2022

Evaluate and shortlist potential applicants	Funding panel	01 to 05 August 2022
Conduct on-site visit assessments of shortlisted organisations.	CINDI	11 to 22 August 2022
Submit the Selection Memo for USAID Approval	Funding Panel Members	29 August 2022
Notify and Contract awardees	CINDI	19 September 2022
Grant Activation Workshop	CINDI	03 to 07 October 2022

Submission of Proposals:

All potential applicants must attend an **obligatory Grant Solicitation Workshop/ Grant Briefing on 12 July 2022** to be held at **Escourt Town Hall, 01 Victoria Road, Escourt, 3310**. **SRVPs must reach CINDI by 05 July 2022. RSVP to programmedirector@cindi.org.za.**

Interested organisations should complete the attached **application form** and submit via email to applications@cindi.org.za by **27 July 2022 at on or before 16:00**