



CALL FOR PROJECTS 2022 (May 1 to June 30, 2021)

INTRODUCTION

SELAVIP is a private foundation that supports housing projects (new housing, land title regularization and water systems) for very poor urban families in the cities of Africa, Asia and Latin America, including the Caribbean. Our focus is on addressing «extreme social emergency» faced in priority by urban groups dwelling in precarious and unsafe conditions and places, or exposed to evictions. We know that millions of poor families cannot access conventional housing programs, possibly because they do not exist, or public policies have not considered them. That is why SELAVIP wants to offer accessible alternatives for these people.

For the year 2022 and considering the serious humanitarian crisis that the COVID 19 pandemic will leave, we hope to receive innovative proposals that primarily address critical problems of sustainable housing and sanitation, to support with economic resources those who propose an effective improvement in the quality of life of the poorest of the poor.

SELAVIP'S GOALS

- To support households that are forced to live in overcrowded conditions, and where a full and healthy family life is simply not possible or where there is a constant risk of eviction.
- Contribute towards the improvement of urban living conditions of the poorest families living in Latin America, Asia and Africa.
- Identify, evaluate and select projects and initiatives that help poor urban families have access to a better, and more secure housing situation, that look to provide communities with an adequate urban setting.
- To secure land title for poorest of poor in urban slums.
- To promote fresh water, basic sanitary and sewage equipment for urban communities.
- To encourage housing mechanisms that can grow intrinsically over time to help reducing the global slums' housing problem.

RELEVANT TOPICS TO CONSIDER FOR THE APPLICATION

The organizations that are interested in obtaining funds from SELAVIP should consider the following selection criteria in the framework of their project's presentation:

- I. The organizations who want to take part to the call should be duly registered (and approved by SELAVIP) in our Registry of Organizations by March 31, 2021. All organization records sent after March 31 will not be reviewed or activated by SELAVIP until the end of the current call.

- II. Before creating a project, the “activated” organizations must review their data in our Registry of Organizations and update them. Any problem with the system should be reported to the email of SELAVIP (selavip.foundation@gmail.com).
- III. All the projects must be sent online through our system (application.selavip.org). **We won't accept any projects sent by any other means (email, postal delivery).**
- IV. All the projects should propose initiatives that meet housing and/or sanitation needs from urban families in the developing countries, from housing production to promotion of community based processes to secure shelter or land.
- V. It is desirable that the project could generate community processes that make habitat improvement sustainable, and promote innovative policies based on the experiences developed by each organization, the sustainable development goals delivered by the UN, and that local or national governments want to support.
- VI. It is important to consider that the families who will benefit from the project should participate in all the processes, both in the elaboration and in the subsequent execution of the project, in order to guarantee that the project responds to the real needs of the families to be supported.
- VII. The contribution from SELAVIP is free for the beneficiaries and must be used solely for the selected project.
- VIII. For those projects who will be selected, we will require a document to be signed by each family (beneficiary of the project) in which each family confirms its active participation to the project and acknowledging that the SELAVIP's contribution is free for them, meaning they may not be asked any reimbursement or refund.
- IX. At least 90% of the financial resources provided by SELAVIP should be used for the purchase of materials. In the case of land titles regularization, 100 % of the resources will be used for the preparation and submission of the paperwork to the local authorities.
- X. The maximum amount granted by project is **USD 72,000**. **SELAVIP reserves the right to decrease the requested amount during the project's presentation and the number of solutions according to the budget's availability.**
- XI. SELAVIP will favor those proposals where we are asked for the least amount of contribution for new individual housing or sanitary systems and also projects where other sources of financing are involved without neglecting the quality of the solutions to be built.
- XII. SELAVIP will not consider projects whose total cost is less than USD 20,000 (**except land regularization related projects**) since we want to ensure a certain impact in the communities.
- XIII. The funds that SELAVIP will provide **BY FAMILY** are the following, according to the type of selected project:

NEW HOUSE / DWELLING	The cost to be financed for each new house/dwelling should not exceed USD 1,400 (If the house comes with a toilet, the amount does NOT change, IT NOT USD 1,400 + USD 600).
EXTENSION OF EXISTING HOUSING UNITS	Maximum USD 800 to extend or expand an existing home whose family is overcrowded. It must be justified by the number of people living in the family
DRINKING WATER SYSTEMS	Maximum USD 800
SEWAGE SYSTEMS	Maximum USD 600
TOILETS OR LATRINES	Maximum USD 600
REPAIRS	This year, only initiatives that propose individual Electrical Installations connected to the public grid or that use photovoltaic panels will be considered. Maximum USD 300 .
LAND TITLE REGULARIZATION	The amount considered by SELAVIP will depend upon the average of the presented projects and executed ones during the previous years.

SELECTION CRITERIA

Given the large number of queries regarding the Evaluation criteria applied by SELAVIP to each project, we would like to inform that the following criteria will be considered as relevant for this process

1. Projects that involve other sources of financing and that don't only request the total amount from SELAVIP (these resources must be formally verified).
2. The work with local authorities and / or other organizations that allow addressing other relevant aspects in the fight to overcome poverty, from an economic, sociocultural and / or environmental point of view, will be highly valued.
3. Complementary training courses that support families in their permanent struggle for overcoming poverty.
4. Special interest will be given to projects that address the problem of housing and sanitation of families in urban areas.
5. Regarding the application of fair gender policies, women should be considered as assignees and / or owners in projects related to the regularization of land and / or housing.
6. Projects in which land is donated by the state, local government or other social actors will be strongly favoured in the selection.
7. It will be relevant that the greatest amount of technical background is included to better understand the project.
8. Regarding INDIA, for the year 2022, projects that propose [Water Supply Systems and Sewerage Systems](#) will be favored.
9. If a project proposes to build housing, the use of innovative and realistic strategies to access basic housing or correct the most serious housing deficiencies will be valued. Solutions with more than one floor (two storey) will be highly valued, especially in urban areas where land availability is scarce.
10. **Priority will be given to the projects that will be finished at the latest on September 15, 2022.**

EXCLUSION CRITERIA

- Infrastructure projects, such as hospitals, orphanages, schools, churches, training centers or income's generation projects will not be accepted.
- Projects that involve the use of Asbestos in the construction process will be declared inadmissible.

APPLICATION DATES

We invite the organizations and local communities to send their projects from May 1 to June 30 (included), 2021.

ABOUT PRIVATE DONATIONS TO PROJECTS

In the last 4 years, some private companies have been invited by SELAVIP to support the financing of some projects within the framework of their social responsibility with the right to a better habitat. In most cases, they wanted to join either by working as volunteers directly in the projects, giving technical support, generating strategic alliances for future projects and / or delivering materials,

We value these initiatives and we do not want them to be sporadic but rather to become a permanent area of joint work and support for the poorest families.

That is why it should be communicated that for some projects part of the contribution that SELAVIP has agreed to finance could be delivered in materials. Therefore, it is necessary that all participating organizations bear this in mind when applying as part of the transparency of our calls.

PROJECTS SELECTION

All the projects proposals received during the indicated application period will be evaluated according to qualitative and quantitative criteria by a team of professionals who will then determine if a project is eligible or not. **As each year we receive MANY more projects than what we are able to finance, SELAVIP, based on the evaluation, will select the projects that best reflect the fulfillment of the above mentioned selection criteria and objectives sought by the foundation. We encourage the NGO's to send projects that adjust to those criteria.**

The final selection is made by the Board of Directors in Belgium in November. The quantity of selected projects is adjusted to the available budget. It is important to take into account that some initiatives will only be financed partially, it will therefore involve, once selected, an adjustment to the initial project's proposal, in terms of number of families and SELAVIP contribution's amount. It will then be communicated to the organization before signing any agreement.

If any organization rejects the proposed changes and does not wish to continue, the projects on the waiting list may be selected.

Finally, the approved projects will be informed at the end of November or beginning of December 2021.

- In our webpage : www.selavip.org.
- In our website application.selavip.org.
- Through the email generated by the system sent to each NGO.