

# The IFHE Development Fund

SUPPORT OR CREATE DEVELOPMENT FUNDS IN YOUR COUNTRY OR REGION. SUMMER 2014

**International Federation for Home Economics**

## What is the IFHE Development Fund?

### IFHE Development Fund Committee 2008-2014:

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IFHE members are encouraged to support these Development Funds or organize a "Development Fund" in their own country or region. A set of guidelines are available from IFHE headquarters to assist in setting up and administering funds.

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The International Federation for Home Economics is the only worldwide organization concerned with Home Economics and Consumer Studies. It was founded in 1908 to serve as a platform for international exchange within the field of Home Economics. IFHE is an International Non Governmental Organization (INGO), having consultative status with the United Nations (ECOSOC, FAO, UNESCO, UNICEF) and with the Council of Europe.

The IFHE Development Fund was established in 1996 as a set of individual country or regional funds administered at the local

level. The Country Level implementation of these "Governances and Bylaws" provides an opportunity for individual members to have tax exempt status, which promotes individual contributions.

### Purposes:

The purposes of IFHE Development Fund (s) are to collect, manage and disperse resources in the form of small grants to:

- Advance the objectives of IFHE internationally
- Promote educational programs, studies and services in all areas of home economics for the purposes of im-

proving the quality of life of individuals, families and communities

- Strengthen the profession's ability to advocate in behalf of families in national and international settings

Currently funds exist in the following countries: USA, Canada, Ireland, Japan, United Kingdom, Korea and Africa.

## Rules Governing Project Grants

1. Project requests are solicited every four years to correspond with IFHE Congresses. Proposals should implement the intent of the IFHE mission. (See Mission Statement at [www.ifhe.org](http://www.ifhe.org))
2. Projects meeting the following criteria may be given preference:

The IFHE organization

should already be established in the country or region submitting a request and support the proposal.

The organization should have some initial financing, but are requesting resources to pursue a specific activity.

The project should be designed to receive matching funds from other sources.



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## Rules Governing Project Grants (continued)

3. The project should be directed toward helping “developing countries” as identified by the World Bank. If the target population is not from a country on the list, explain the particular needs of the target population.



4. The following entities may apply for Grants: The country or region’s IFHE organization, a country’s Home Economics Administrative Unit (having IFHE Members), individual IFHE Members, or organizations with similar goals as IFHE in collaboration with IFHE members.

5. Officers, elected representatives to the IFHE Executive, trustees of the Development Fund or Committee members and IFHE staff are not eligible to self initiate or receive project grants.

6. A financial report must be submitted to the IFHE Development Fund upon the completion of the project, includ-

ing a narrative report describing the implementation and results of the project.

7. Grantees must be able to receive monies in US Dollars and use the IFHE resources for the stated purposes of the project and only those purposes.

8. The Development Fund reserves the right to publication of any material generated by a project.

9. Partnerships between developing and more developed countries are encouraged, but funds are to go to the target population for project development and are not intended to provide for transportation costs between countries or to Council or Congress.

## Administration of Funds

10. Typically proposals in the range of \$1000-\$5000 US Dollars are funded.

Every four years, the IFHE Development Fund Committee combines monies from the various funds who are able to contribute and offers grants, as noted in this flyer. A subcommittee is formed to solicit, review and approve grants that meet the criteria for funding. The amount of money available in any funding period depends on the financial strength of the individual funds. Only interest earned on the

principle is used for grant-making.

Grants are announced at the IFHE Congress, held every four years in July. The next Congress will be held in So Korea, 2016

Grant Applications for the next round of funding are due **Feb 28, 2016**. Send proposals in electronic format to Dr. Mary Andrews, chair IFHE Development Committee.

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## Funds are raised by many methods

Currently IFHE Development Funds exist in eight countries or regions. Members in those settings use a variety of methods to secure resources although the major source of money is individual contributions. Over the past eight years, IFHE Fund Development Committee Chair, Carolyn Blount (pictured on the right) has used her quilting expertise to construct three major quilts as fund raisers. Quilt

squares have been donated from IFHE members in many different countries. Africa also constructed and sold quilt hangings as a fund raiser. Other potential sources of monies for investment in these development funds are:

- Deferred Giving and Bequests
- Memorial Funds
- Personal & Corporate Gifts/Grants
- Sales of publications & products
- Educational Fundraising Events

