



**National and International Environment Program  
Request for Letters of Interest  
Winter-Spring 2024**

**Overview:**

The New York Community Trust (The Trust), established in 1924, is one of the largest and oldest community foundations in the United States. With assets of more than \$3 billion, we make more than \$50 million a year in competitive grants in three areas—Healthy Lives, Promising Futures, and Thriving Communities—for a range of research, advocacy, and service delivery projects.

Through our National and International Environment Program, The Trust makes grants to mitigate climate change by reducing greenhouse gas emissions; help communities adapt and become more resilient to the consequences of a warming world; protect public health and the environment from toxic exposures; and establish and preserve conservation corridors to connect critical wildlife habitat. Although The Trust typically makes three or four internationally focused grants every year, internationally focused grants are unlikely through this request for letters of interest because of preexisting grant commitments. More details on The Trust’s environmental grantmaking priorities and strategy can be found [here](#).

**Request for Letters of Interest:**

The Trust begins the grantmaking process for the National and International Environment Program by asking grantseekers to submit a Letter of Interest (LOI) through our portal during four-week windows each fall (late September) and winter (late February). From the pool of LOIs submitted, we will invite a small number of full proposals.

To request a grant, please submit an LOI of no more than 4 pages that includes a:

1. brief discussion of the problem or opportunity the proposed project will address;
2. description of proposed activities and expected outcomes; and
3. preliminary project budget, rather than a grant budget, with personnel, project, and administrative costs, as well as existing and potential income sources other than The Trust.

**Submission Directions:**

1. Combine items 1-4 (listed above) into a single PDF file no more than 4 pages long and 25 MB in size, using the following file format: “*Applicant Organization Name.pdf*”.
2. Go to The Trust’s [Grants Portal](#) and click on the “Apply” button next to the National and International Environment Program LOI submission opportunity.
3. Complete the LOI profile and upload your single PDF file.

**LOIs should be submitted by 11:59 pm ET on Friday, March 22, 2024.**

Please direct all questions about this LOI submission opportunity to Arturo Garcia-Costas at [agc@nycct-cfi.org](mailto:agc@nycct-cfi.org).