

UN Trust Fund for Victims of Human Trafficking Announces 10 NGO Projects Selected for New Emergency Aid Window of 4th Grant Cycle

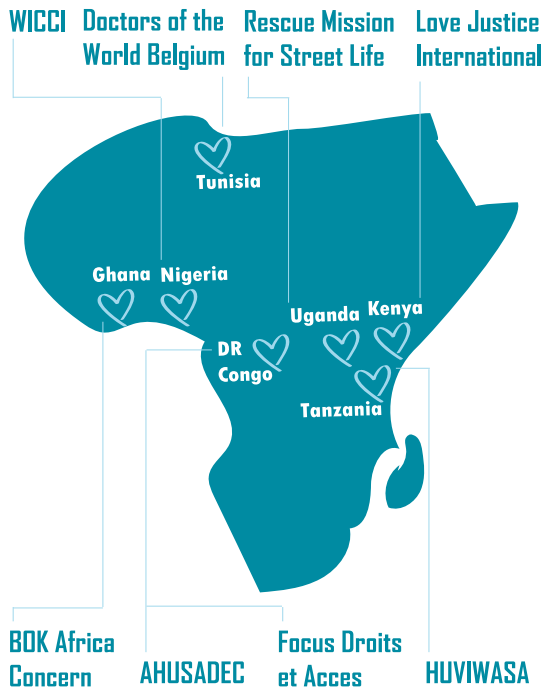
Vienna (Austria), 20 April 2020 - The UN Voluntary Trust Fund for Victims of Human Trafficking (UNVTF), managed by the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC), has announced the results of its fourth call for proposals for sub-grant programme one in the first ever, fast-track emergency aid window under its small grants programme. The new short-term, compact programme focuses on delivering swift humanitarian aid to victims of human trafficking in or fleeing from imperative crisis scenarios.

In total, **10 NGO projects** across five world regions that provide emergency aid to human trafficking survivors globally have been selected for awards under sub-programme one. The Trust Fund received 78 applications from 27 countries.

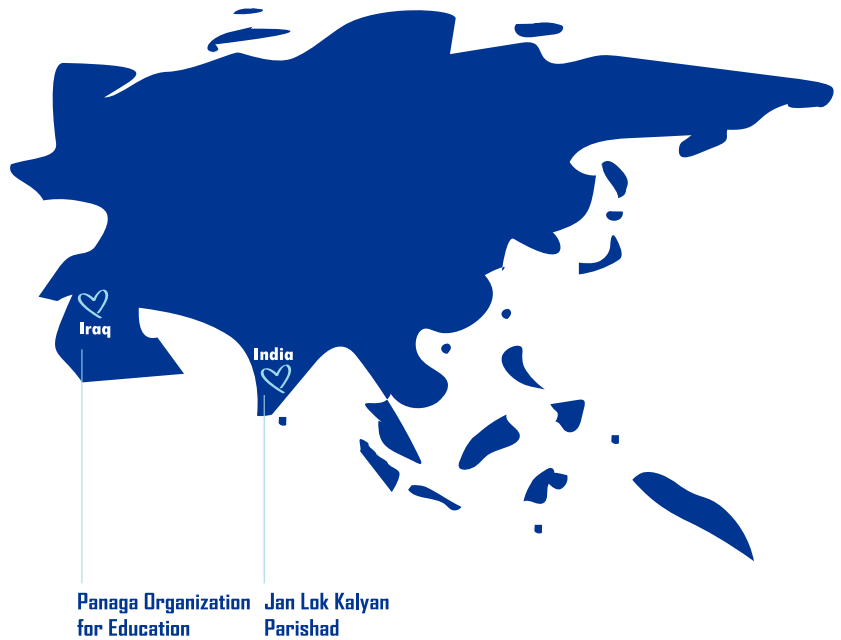
The Trust Fund remains at the forefront of global emergency crises in supporting grassroots organizations worldwide to respond exclusively to the immediate needs of human trafficking victims in regions hardest-hit by humanitarian and natural disasters, such as armed conflict, COVID-19, and other crisis scenarios, through the provision of vital aid.

The following NGOs have been selected for funding under sub-programme 1:

Projects in West, East & North Africa



Projects in South & Western Asia



Priority focus is on projects targeting women and girls, refugees and migrants including internally displaced persons (IDPs) and victims arising from armed conflict or instability caused by a breakdown of law. The Trust Fund aims to launch a second emergency window call later in the year, that would require a replenishment of the fund on the basis of the growing demand in 2020.

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 **Action Humanitaire pour la Santé et le Développement Communautaire - AHUSADEC (Democratic Republic of the Congo)**

This project is focused on supporting underage girls trafficked for the purpose of sexual exploitation in artisanal mining zones in Kamituga, Mwenga territory, South Kivu province in eastern DRC.

 **BOK Africa Concern (Ghana)**

This project will provide assistance for crisis intervention and rehabilitation of trafficked persons, IDPs and vulnerable groups with a focus on boys in the Bono and Greater Accra regions of Ghana (ACIR).

 **Focus Droits Et Acces (Democratic Republic of the Congo)**

The thematic focus of the UNVTF-funded project is on direct assistance to vulnerable women and young people trafficked in BENI, North Kivu, DR Congo through the provision of clothing, shelter and psychosocial support.

 **Huduma Kwa Vijana Walio-Sahaulika - HUWIWASA (Tanzania)**

The thematic focus of this project is on rescuing and assisting 30 Burundian and Congolese refugees youth victims of forced labour and sexual exploitation in Tanzania.

 **Jan Lok Kalyan Parishad (India)**

The project aims to provide emergency shelter to girls and women victims of trafficking aged between 8-40 from India.

 **Love Justice International (Kenya)**

This project will focus on opening a short-term shelter to provide immediate assistance to victims of human trafficking intercepted by transit-monitoring operations at Likoni Ferry station in Mombasa.

 **Médecins du Monde Belgique Mission de Tunisie (Tunisia)**

This project will improve access to medical support for migrant victims of trafficking in Tunisia through the provision of direct medico-psycho-social assistance.

 **Panaga Organization for Education (Iraq)**

This project is focused on providing community-based therapy to ISIS victims and Yezidi child survivors of ISIS captivity including psychological and psychotherapy support.

 **Rescue Mission for Street Life (Uganda)**

This project will assist, rehabilitate and reintegrate girls and boy victims of internal human trafficking living on the streets through the provision of emergency shelter.

 **Women, Infants and Children Care Initiative – WICCI (Nigeria)**

This project is focused on the provision of social protection, medical and material assistance to the vulnerable victims of trafficking in Edo State, Nigeria.

The purpose of sub-programme one is to reach as many victims as possible through the NGOs that operate on the front lines through a more agile and flexible approach. Together with sub-programme two, focusing on facilitating long-term projects that provide comprehensive support, the fourth call for proposals seeks to safeguard the most fundamental rights.

The Trust Fund awards multi-year grants up to USD 60,000 to non-governmental organizations within the context of providing tangible support to victims of human trafficking. For more information, please consult our website: <https://www.unodc.org/humantraffickingfund>