

Call for Proposals Opens for GSDI Small Grants Program 2017



The GSDI Association has been making Small Grants Program awards since 2003, the organisation's longest-running project. These grants are for USD2,500. Although this is not a large amount of money, in emerging nations and developing spatial data infrastructures (SDIs) it can go a long way towards SDI preparedness, for building some component of an SDI and/or for adding to SDI sustainability. It may also help to engage other organisations in collaboration and additional co-funding.

In 2017, the GSDI Association plans to award up to 4 grants in cash from its own financial reserves. The GSDI Association greatly appreciates past support for the Small Grants program from GeoConnections in Canada, the FGDC in the U.S., and URISA's GISCorps.

The Call for Proposals documentation, including the 'Guide for Proposers' and '[Application Submission Guidelines – 2017](#)' can be downloaded from the [GSDI website](#) as well as information about previous awards, to give applicants some background on the types of projects that have been awarded grants in the past.

All applications should be submitted in the format set out in the 'Application Submission Guidelines' to be assessed and considered for an award. Return applications as email attachments (PDF or .doc) to smallgrants@gsdi.org. Please take into consideration the 'Criteria for Assessment' described in the Guidelines before preparing your application.

Applications must be returned no later than **1 June 2017** to be considered for the Small Grant Awards assessment. See [here](#) for full details.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact GSDI at smallgrants@gsdi.org.