



TEMPLETON WORLD

CHARITY FOUNDATION

Voluntary Family Planning

Funding Category Guidelines

We support research projects and practical tools around the world that promote equitable, accessible, and voluntary use of family planning methods. Our priorities are guided by the belief that each and every person has intrinsic moral worth, and we fund only programs that affirm the fundamental value of human life from conception until natural death.

Proposals for Voluntary Family Planning may involve:

- Purchasing and distributing contraceptive devices and medications to those who lack them;
- Promoting the advantages of voluntary family planning to local communities;
- Facilitating access to tools and information concerning ways to control family size voluntarily;
- Engaging religious leaders in fostering education about voluntary family planning.

Projects should be forward-thinking, proactive, and sustainable. Examples might include the following:

- Evidence-based education programs to inform and empower women about choice of contraceptive methods and reproductive health options;
- Research to evaluate education programs and interventions for voluntary family planning;
- Research to produce new methods of birth control and improved procurement of such contraceptives;
- Improved policy commitments of domestic and foreign governments, other donors, and the private sector with respect to voluntary family planning;

- Analysis of the barriers that prevent individual women, families, or communities from viewing family planning as a legitimate personal choice.