

People and nature rely on healthy forests. Eight out of 10 land-dwelling species and nearly 750 million people live in and depend on forests for goods and services such as food, wood, medicine, fresh water, and air. Despite their importance, threats to the world's forests are growing at an alarming rate. In particular, tropical forests which support the earth's most biologically productive and diverse systems, and contain the greatest amount of above ground biomass, face the highest risk of deforestation.

To facilitate local communities and organizations' efforts towards the restoration of degraded landscapes, WWF's Russell E. Train Education for Nature Program (EFN) provides grants to contribute to the initiatives of local organizations dedicated to restoring forest ecosystems. These grants also enhance the local capacity for managing natural resources whilst promoting more diversified livelihoods with gender equity.

Applications should clearly demonstrate how the proposed work aims to address the challenge of halting deforestation and forest degradation to advance human well-being and ecosystem integrity. Applicants may apply for one year of funding up to \$15,000. The amount will vary.

## **ELIGIBLE COUNTRIES**

This grant is open to organizations of eligible countries within WWF-US priority areas.

- Belize
- Bhutan
- Bolivia
- Brazil
- Cambodia
- **▶** Cameroon
- Central AfricanRepublic
- **▶** Chile
- ▶ Colombia

- ▶ Dem. Republic of Congo
- Ecuador
- ▶ French Guiana
- ▶ Gabon
- ▶ Ghana
- **▶** Guatemala
- Guyana
- ▶ Honduras
- Indonesia
- Ivory Coast

- Kenya
- **Laos**
- Madagascar
- Malaysia
- Mozambique
- Myanmar
- Namibia
- Nepal
- Nigeria
- Paraguay

- Peru
- Republic of Congo
- Suriname
- Tanzania
- Uganda
- Vietnam

# APPLICATION DEADLINE

November 30, 2022 at 11:59 PM ET

## FOR MORE INFORMATION

Please e-mail EFN at efn@ wwfus.org or visit the WWF-US website for more information.

\$15,000

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#### **ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA**

Applicants must meet all the following criteria to be eligible.

- Your organization must be legally registered in an eligible country.
- Your organization must submit all required documents by the application deadline (November 30, 2022).

#### **Restoration Project:**

- Your organization must conduct forest landscape restoration and reforestation activities in a WWF-US priority area.
- Your organization must plant 10,000 or more native tree species.
- The proposed project must include an active learning, practical skill component, or field-based learning activity that strengthen skills and knowledge of local stakeholders as part of the project activities.

WWF will provide special consideration to proposals that:

- support forest landscape restoration activities
- insert into wider efforts of addressing drivers of deforestation
- focus on conservation of biodiversity and habitats including perspectives for scaling impact
- consider opportunities of restoration for livelihood diversification
- include consideration of gender equity in implementation and impact
- build on partnership and active engagement with local communities
- emphasize on enhancing local expertise, skills, and knowledge

### HOW TO APPLY

Applicants can access the online application at www.worldwildlife.org/efn. Applications must be submitted online by November 30, 2022, and all project activities must be completed within 12 months after the project starts. Accepted applications will be notified by early February 2023. Applicants may apply in English, Spanish, French, or Portuguese.