

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. To protect biodiversity, maintain ecosystem services, and regulate the climate, it is vital that forests are protected and restored where they have been lost.

Most of WWF's work is focused in tropical rainforests, which are the most biologically diverse and complex forests on Earth. To ensure that communities and institutions have the resources to restore these landscapes, EFN invests in local organizations dedicated to expanding forest cover, creating biological corridors, and restoring watersheds. EFN supports the restoration of native biodiversity and ecosystem services with a focus on planting the right trees in the right places.

8000+

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ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

Applicants must meet all of the following eligibility criteria to be considered for a grant.

- Your organization must be legally registered in an eligible country.
- Your organization must have a bank account.
- Your organization must conduct reforestation/restoration activities in a WWF-US priority area.
- Your organization must submit all required documents by the application deadline.
- Your organization must complete all grant activities (including planting) before August 31, 2021.

The proposed project must include an active learning, practical skill component, or field-based learning activity that builds skills and knowledge for local stakeholders as part of the project activities.

Priority is given to local organizations that:

- ➤ Plant 8,000 or more native tree species
- Focus on conservation and addressing the drivers of deforestation in the organizations' project area

ELIGIBLE COUNTRIES

Local organizations from the following countries are eligible to apply.

- Belize
- **▶** Bhutan
- Bolivia
- **▶** Cambodia
- **▶** Cameroon
- Central African Republic
- Colombia

- ▶ Dem. Republic of Congo
- Ecuador
- ▶ French Guiana
- Gabon
- Guatemala
- Guyana
- Honduras
- Indonesia

- Kenya
- Laos
- Madagascar
- Malaysia
- Mozambique
- **▶** Myanmar
- Namibia
- Nepal

- Peru
- ▶ Republic of Congo
- Suriname
- **▶** Uganda
- ▶ Vietnam

APPLICATION DEADLINE

November 25, 2020

FOR MORE INFORMATION

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

APPLICATION FORMAT

EFN requires all applicants to complete an online application and provide a clear and compelling proposal that must include:

- A summary of the organization's work to date and major accomplishments
- An overview of the need for the reforestation project including a description of the reforestation site with photos, conservation objectives, and other related project goals
- An explanation of how this reforestation project fits in with other conservation projects in the area specifically WWF projects
- A detailed description of the proposed activity including:
 - expected number of trees to be planted and hectares to be restored
 - tree species selected and why (please include Latin name and climate adaptability of the species selected)
 - how climate projections are being considered in the research
 - stakeholder participation
 - long-term tree stewardship/maintenance plans
 - expected conservation gains
- A detailed description about the training program describe how it is building skills and knowledge of local stakeholders to advance conservation
- A project timeline
- Expected outcomes including: short-term (6-12 months) and long-term expectations (1+ years)
- Method of evaluation describe how you will measure the expected outcomes (i.e. surveys, monitoring, survival rate of planted trees)
- A CV for the main trainer and attach a brief biography for the other trainers
- A detailed project budget (not exceeding USD\$15,000)

HOW TO APPLY

Applicants can access the online application at www.worldwildlife.org/efn. Applications must be submitted online by November 25, 2020, and all project activities must be completed by August 31, 2021. Applicants may apply in English, Spanish, French, or Portuguese.