WHAT IS THE ACTION AGAINST HUNGER GRANT FOR A NEW HUMANITARIAN PERSPECTIVE?

For the second time, Action Against Hunger is offering a multimedia grant with the title of Grant for a New Humanitarian Perspective.

By “humanitarian”, we mean taking humans into account and supporting them to ensure access to the fundamental rights to which all individuals are entitled from birth. By “a new humanitarian perspective” we mean a more inclusive, equal, solidarity-oriented human perspective.

The aim of the grant is to encourage reflection on the future of humanitarian imagery, in order to imagine its future development together and foster a new perspective. A perspective that goes beyond the usual reproductions; that is fairer, more inclusive and more ethical; and that allows for a more balanced exchange with the people represented.

This grant is intended as an opportunity to explore new narrative and iconographic procedures. We invite anyone looking to submit a project to cut loose from assimilated conventions and to be creative and bold in order to feed collective reflections around the development of multimedia language in the humanitarian and social sphere.

As well as highlighting the work of content creators, this grant seeks to boost the visibility of the people suffering – and of their experiences – in the places where Action Against Hunger operates.

Following a call for applications, the projects will be judged. The projects can be yet to be developed or currently being developed, so there is no need to have already created content to be able to apply for the grant.

Action Against Hunger will conduct a preselection process, choosing twenty projects to be submitted to an international, multidisciplinary, diverse jury. This year, the jury will be chaired by Azu Nwagbogu, the internationally-renowned curator, also founder and director of the LagosPhoto Festival, and made up of professionals from the world of photography, videography and media and from the humanitarian sphere, who will choose the winner. The successful candidate will receive a grant worth €10,000 as well as mentorship from the president of the jury to carry out his/her project, which will be displayed in an exhibition from October 2025.
WHAT ARE THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR APPLYING?

This call for applications is open to all photographers, videographers and content creators (illustration, design, animation, etc.), with no restrictions in terms of nationality or age (though applicants must be over 18).

Current or past service providers for Action Against Hunger France and its international network may take part in this process. Please include this information in your bio.

Candidates must use their own equipment (cameras, sound equipment, etc.) for this project.

Action Against Hunger employees and their families cannot take part in this process. The same applies to the jury members and the technical team directly linked to the grant, as well as their families.

Participation is free.

The Action Against Hunger Grant for a New Humanitarian Perspective will be awarded to one project (individual or collective) only.

The projects submitted will be assessed according to various criteria:

- Innovation in how the proposal is written and the final project
- Multimedia approach in image capture and the final project
- Contribution to reflections on the role of images and on renewing our perspective
- Relevance of the project’s subject to the activities carried out by Action Against Hunger
- Alignment with Action Against Hunger’s values in terms of content that:
  - Is inclusive
  - Respects people’s dignity
  - Bears witness to observed realities
- Quality and credibility of the candidate’s previous work

HOW TO APPLY?

Applications – which must detail the project, its aims and its future development as precisely as possible – must be submitted online via the dedicated application form between 31 May 2024 and 31 August 2024 at midnight: Link to form.

The form must be duly completed in English, French or Spanish and must contain the following:

- A synopsis of the overall project.
- A statement of intent that details the subject covered, explains how it is original and indicates its link with Action Against Hunger’s work.
- A precise description of the narrative procedures and technical resources envisaged for the project. This may be accompanied by numbered photographs if the project is already under way, by sketches or by any other medium the candidate deems of use to support their application.
- An estimate of production costs for the project (including travel, accommodation, visa, etc.).
- A candidate bio.
- A link to the candidate’s previous work and/or a link to download any previous work the candidate deems relevant enough to add to their application.
Applications will not be examined if they do not contain all of the above elements. By submitting their application, the candidate is guaranteeing that their proposed project is original, unpublished and the product of their own reflections.

Action Against Hunger recognises that the author will maintain ownership of all rights to the project and work submitted. A rights transfer agreement between Action Against Hunger and the participant will be written up in order to set the conditions for the transfer of the intellectual property rights pertaining to the work so that it can be used by ACF.

The work created must not breach any third party’s rights. The participant must comply with the legal intellectual property and image rights provisions in effect, and they must be the sole holder of the usage rights associated with these images. If applicable, they must ensure that they obtain the authorisations required from any natural persons whose image is used.

All information transmitted via the Action Against Hunger website and by email is subject to the provisions of the GDPR. Necessary personal data (full name, address, email address, telephone number) and documents relating to the candidate(s) will be retained from the time of the call for applications until the finalist’s exhibition. After this time, Action Against Hunger will delete them.

**WHAT ARE THE KEY DATES?**

- **Call for applications opens**: Friday 31 May 24
- **Selection of finalists**: from 1st Sept to 18 Sept 24
- **Interviews with the finalists**: from 25 Sept to 15 Oct 24
- **Project exhibition**: Oct 25
- **Call for applications closes**: Saturday 31 Aug 24 at midnight
- **Result announced**: Oct 24
WHAT DOES SELECTION BY THE COMMITTEE ENTAIL FOR THE CANDIDATE?

In the event of preselection or selection by the committee, and simply by participating in the Grant for a New Humanitarian Perspective, candidates and the grant recipient authorise Action Against Hunger to reproduce one of the visual and/or intellectual creations they send when submitting their project (the first photograph in the series if the project is under way, the photograph numbered ‘1’ in the series submitted for the grant, sketches, texts or any other medium), free of charge and with the participants’ agreement, on any of Action Against Hunger’s communication channels (including its website and social media), strictly for the purpose of promoting the grant, for a period of one (1) year starting from when the aforementioned visual and/or intellectual creations are first shared by Action Against Hunger.

When sharing the aforementioned visual and/or intellectual creations, Action Against Hunger undertakes to include the caption “By” followed by the full name of the participant who is the author of the visual and/or intellectual creation. When sharing the creations on social media, Action Against Hunger will also include links to the participants’ social media accounts. Action Against Hunger undertakes to refrain from harming the integrity of the visual and/or intellectual creations submitted within the framework of the grant in any way. Nonetheless, Action Against Hunger may juxtapose the visual and/or intellectual creations with other visual and/or intellectual creations. Action Against Hunger may also associate the visual and/or intellectual creations with any visual element of its corporate identity or of that of its official partners.

HOW MUCH IS THE ACTION AGAINST HUNGER GRANT WORTH?

The successful candidate will receive a grant worth €10,000 to develop the project they submitted.

In addition, for the duration of the project, they will benefit from logistical assistance from Action Against Hunger, so that they can complete their project within the allotted time. Production costs linked to the project will be paid by ACF in accordance with the estimate sent by the candidate, as long as this does not exceed €3,000. Should this budget be exceeded, no other costs will be incurred and refunded without ACF’s express written agreement.

The grant recipient will also be mentored by the chair of the jury, Azu Nwagbogu. This mentorship will take the form of exchanges throughout the project, so that the candidate may benefit from the professional expertise and informed perspective of the internationally-renowned curator, also founder and director of the LagosPhoto Festival.

The grant recipient’s work will be exhibited in France and may be displayed in a travelling exhibition across the country, thanks to support from Action Against Hunger’s Association Engagement and Mobilisation Department.

The work may also be presented in the community or communities that hosted the candidate while they were carrying out their project.
In October 2025, Action Against Hunger will organise an exhibition of the work produced by the recipient of the Action Against Hunger Grant for a New Humanitarian Perspective.

Action Against Hunger will pay the production costs linked to the exhibition, within the limits of a budget defined by the organisation and the author of the project being exhibited. The exhibition design will be produced with the grant recipient.

Action Against Hunger may use the images produced by the grant recipient for the legal duration of the intellectual property rights and any extensions, starting from the presentation of the work produced, in October 2025, for the promotion and marketing of the Action Against Hunger Grant and for the promotion of the Association's activities, digitally and in print, in accordance with the rights transfer agreement established between the two parties.

Action Against Hunger may organise other exhibitions in the two years following the presentation of the project in October 2025, in France and worldwide. After this time, the prints will be returned to the grant recipient, and will belong to them.

If they so wish, the grant recipient may provide Action Against Hunger with one or several prints to promote the grant or for a future exhibition involving various grant recipients. The prints will not be used for commercial purposes, unless an agreement to the contrary is made with the grant recipient.

By submitting their application, the grant recipient agrees to participate in certain marketing actions, especially for the internal presentation of the project among Action Against Hunger employees and the launch of the exhibition (a preview).

The grant recipient must include "Recipient of the Action Against Hunger Grant for a New Humanitarian Perspective" in all publications and communications regarding the project carried out thanks to the grant from Action Against Hunger.

The Action Against Hunger association reserves the right to terminate, postpone or modify the aforementioned regulations for its Grant for a New Humanitarian Perspective for any reason. It will not be held liable for these changes. Any costs incurred by candidates will therefore not be refunded.

The submission of a project to be considered for the Action Against Hunger Grant for a New Humanitarian Perspective will not be valid unless the candidate accepts the regulations in their entirety, as well as any amendments. Should any amendments be made after the project is submitted, Action Against Hunger undertakes to notify participants in compliance with the principle of loyalty.

For further information
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ABOUT ACTION AGAINST HUNGER
Action Against Hunger is an NGO that has been fighting hunger all over the world for over forty years. It leads a coordinated response in almost fifty countries. Its priority is to take concrete action on the ground and to bear witness to populations’ experiences, while combating the causes and consequences of malnutrition in France and internationally. As the causes of hunger are multiple, ACF’s action is global, sustainable and effective, thanks to its unparalleled expertise in nutrition and health, food security, water and sanitation, and mental health.