CFGB FOOD SECURITY PROJECTS

Food Security Cash Program Guidelines

The Food Security Cash Program of the Canadian Foodgrains Bank is designed to provide cash for food security enhancing activities either on their own or as part of a food assistance project. Foodgrains Bank members many utilize up to 20% of the previous year's donation revenues in their member equity account. CIDA matching funds are not available for these projects. As examples, such projects may include agricultural development/food production food processing/storage/post harvest technology, etc., income generation, nutrition-related health activities, peace building.

Implementation Guidelines

1. Scope of Projects

Projects that will be considered will have a primary, clear and direct connection with improving food security stated in their objectives.

2. Project Submission

To obtain funding, a food security cash project plan should be sent to the Canadian Foodgrains Bank via the sponsoring member.

3. Project Review and Approval

It is expected that member agencies will have adequately reviewed the plan and design of the projects, the capacity of the implementing partners, and the appropriateness of the budgets using their own internal review processes before submitting these projects to the Foodgrains Bank. The Foodgrains Bank staff will review the request for consistence with the guidelines and completeness of planning.

4. Funding

The funds may be sent to the member agency or directly to the implementing partner. All funds transferred to the member agency shall be forwarded by the member agency to the implementing partner.

Reporting

Members agencies receiving funds this policy will provide a full assessment of how the project has made a difference in improving food security. The report will also indicate how the funds were utilized with a comparison to the initial budget provided.

6. Administration Charges

Foodgrains Bank will apply the normal service fee to the food security cash projects

PROPOSAL FORMAT

Food Security Program

Project Plan

Program Context

- 1. Describe the overall food security situation in the area of the proposed project.
- 2. Describe the level and the nature of food insecurity in that area.
- 3. Describe the underlying causes of food insecurity.

Program Information

- 4. Describe specific objectives.
- 5. Describe the expected contributions of the project towards improving longer term food security of beneficiaries and their communities.
- 6. Describe the intended beneficiaries of the project. State specific criteria used to identify the beneficiaries.
- 7. Describe the process used to involve beneficiaries in the needs analysis, planning and implementation of the project.
- 8. Describe what has been specifically done to integrate/involve women as participants and beneficiaries during planning, execution and monitoring of this project.
- 9. Identify the key activities which will enable each objective to be achieved.
- 10. List specific expected impacts of the project. For each expected impact, describe specific indicators that will measure the extent to which the expected impact has been achieved and how the information on that indicator will be collected.
- 11. Describe the expected impact of the program on the environment and what steps have been taken to mitigate potential negative impacts.
- 12. Indicate planned starting and ending dates of the program.
- 13. Indicate government approval for project (if required).
- 14. Clearly identity the implementing organization's experience and capacity for carrying out this program.
- 15. Identify the persons (name & title) who will be directly responsible for the program implementation.

Financial Information

- 16. Provide a complete detailed budget of the food security cash project.
- 17. Provide complete banking information including the bank, address and telephone/fax number, payee name and account number to facilitate the transfer if funds. Gideon, we will put in this info.