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Survive-MIVA: Our funding criteria

Core criteria

We can only consider applications that fit **all four** of the following criteria:

1. Your application must be for **A VEHICLE OR VEHICLES**
2. You must be part of T**HE ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH**
3. The vehicle(s) must be for **HEALTHCARE OUTREACH** and / or **PASTORAL MINISTRY,** to benefit isolated communities
4. You must be based in the **GLOBAL SOUTH.**

If your project does not fit all four of these, you are not eligible to be funded by Survive-MIVA,

Other restrictions

Our current funding priorities mean that:

1. We can only fund 4-wheeled motor vehicles (cars, ambulances, etc) if they are for healthcare outreach work by clinics, health centres, dispensaries, hospitals and similar. If your project is mainly pastoral, we are only able to offer funding for 2-wheeled vehicles (bicycles and /or motorbikes), boats, or transport animals.
2. We cannot fund requests for multiple motor vehicles (cars, vans, motorbikes, scooters etc). However, we **are** able to consider requests for multiple bicycles.
3. We can only support requests that come directly from those who will be using the vehicle, rather than from diocesan officials or provincial leadership applying on their behalf.
4. We do not fund requests from seminaries or houses of formation.
5. We do not fund orphanages, school buses, or vehicles used primarily for administrative tasks.
6. We do not fund specialist vehicles (tractors, farm machinery, etc)
7. We do not fund reconditioned or second-hand vehicles.
8. We do not fund projects which have been funded by us in the past.

Discretionary criteria

When assessing applications, the Allocations Committee will take the following into account:

1. We rarely fund replacement vehicles (i.e. if you already have a vehicle and want to replace it like-for-like). If you are looking to replace an existing vehicle, you must demonstrate that the new vehicle will enable your work to develop and grow.
2. We prioritise projects where a vehicle would enable new work - i.e. projects in their early stages, or projects that need a vehicle to enable them to reach new people in new places.
3. Impact is crucial. In each funding round, we will prioritise those applications which can demonstrate the greatest likelihood of strong positive impact.
4. We prioritise applications from the local, indigenous Church.