MEPPA APS Year 2

Pot of funding: $15 - $21m

Two award levels:
- $500k-5m
- $100k-500k

Deadlines:
- April 27
- October 19

Submit concept notes to:
wbg-ocm-submissions@usaid.gov
If USAID supports civil society organizations and other institutions in promoting a culture of peace, mutual respect and trust between Israelis and Palestinians at all levels, and if working together across communities yields positive development outcomes, then there will be an expanded population supporting a peaceful resolution to the Palestinian-Israeli conflict.
APS: Broad goal & objectives

To build the foundation for peaceful co-existence between Israelis and Palestinians and enable a sustainable two-state solution. Working toward that vision, this funding opportunity seeks to improve the enabling environment for cross-border partnership, particularly in development sectors, such that policies, procedures, and structures allow Palestinians and Israelis to engage in meaningful interactions across sectors without any barriers and fear of intimidation.

Increase partnership between Palestinians and Israelis, and Arab and Jewish Israelis, to address issues of common interest or concern.

Bolster efforts by Palestinians and Israelis to address internal divisions that must be overcome to foster peaceful coexistence.

Improve partnerships between Palestinian and Israeli key actors to address issues of common concern.

Strengthen the resilience of peacebuilding constituencies and institutions.
Cross-Cutting Themes

- People-to-People
- Local Capacity Strengthening
- Diversity, Equity, Inclusion and Accessibility
- Building Linkages
- Gender Equality & Women’s Empowerment
- Youth
- Climate Change and Environmental Compliance
- Integrate Conflict Sensitivity and Do no Harm
**Illustrative Focus Areas**

- **Empowering women and youth** to take part in peacebuilding efforts.
- Engaging **community leaders** and encouraging joint advocacy efforts.
- Engaging **faith leaders** to build trust and deepen cooperation across religious communities.
- Supporting **youth innovation or entrepreneurship**, especially in disadvantaged communities.
- Building the capacity of **mental health service providers** to expand access to psychosocial support.
- Enhancing **economic opportunities** for marginalized groups.
- Addressing shared **environmental concerns** and promoting sustainable solutions to mitigate the impacts of climate change.

"Many more types of interventions could be considered under this APS."
Final Thoughts

- Broad and open
- Flexible budget: up to $5m
- Flexible time: several months to 3 years
- Cross-border, shared society and uni-national

Encourage "new" and local partners.

Must read USAID documents!