

“INVESTING FOR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT”



INNER CITY BASIC SERVICES PROJECT

**INVITATION TO  
MICRO FINANCE INSTITUTION  
TO A  
BIDDERS CONFERENCE**

The Government of Jamaica has received a loan from the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (IBRD) toward the cost of the Inner City Basic Services Project (ICBSP). This project will be implemented by the Jamaica Social Investment Fund. The project aims to improve access in targeted poor inner-city communities to basic services and financial services; strengthen community capacity to develop, manage and maintain basic infrastructure; and facilitate a reduction in the incidence of crime and violence in targeted inner city communities. The twelve communities identified for inclusion in this project are:

- **Kingston & St Andrew** - Whitfield Town, Passmore Town/Browns Town ( Dunkirk), Federal Gardens, Jones Town
- **St. Catherine** - Tawes Pen, Africa (March Pen), Central Village (Andrews Lane, Little Lane, Big Lane, Detroit), Dempshire Gardens/Jones Pen (Shelter Rock), Lauriston, Knollis (Bogwalk)
- **Clarendon** - Bucknor
- **St. James** - Flankers

The project has a Micro-finance component, aimed at providing increased access to micro-credit in the ICBSP communities listed above. JSIF intends to apply part of the project funds to cover eligible payments to cover contract costs for the above component.

JSIF plans to hold a bidders conference and extends an invitation to institutions that are capable and interested in providing sustainable micro-finance services on a contractual basis to these communities. The conference will seek to introduce interested microfinance institutions to the terms and conditions of the bidding documents.

The bidders' conference will be held **June 5, 2008** starting at **10:00 a. m.** at the offices of the **Jamaica Social Investment Fund** at the address given below.

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