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**Jamaica Social Investment Fund**

**Capacity Development Grants for Youth Groups**

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**Guidelines to Applicants**

The Capacity Development grant for youth groups, is a community safety initiative with an emphasis on strengthening youth based organizations, who are active participants within their communities, and through their respective programmes are integral in ensuring there are alternative activities for youth engagement.

**Each applicant is asked to carefully follow the guidelines included below in completing the application form:**

**Eligibility:**

Applications for the grant **Must** be from the list of 19 eligible communities under the Project. The project must also be directly supporting youth initiative within these communities.

**General Requirements:**

1. Organization must be in operation for a minimum of two years
2. The core membership of the group must fall within the ages of 17 – 29 Years of Age to be considered as youth for purpose of this project
3. Have innovative youth programmes that fall within the following thematic areas;

a.)Mentorship b.) Sport & Recreation c) Education d) Safety and Security

E) Entrepreneurship F) Community Service/ Volunteerism

1. Completed application form with all relevant information clearly outlined

**How to Apply?**

1. Download application form from the JSIF website: [www.jsif.org](http://www.jsif.org) or collect hardcopy at the JSIF office
2. Submit completed from by the September 17, 2018 the 5pm deadline. Forms must be in sealed envelopes, and delivered in the drop boxes provided at JSIF, and select SDC locations
3. Late applications will not be accepted.

**Information on Completion the Application**

An information session will be held on September o4, 2018, to provide general information to applicants on the programme and how to complete the form. Groups are encourages to send a representive to this session. During the period of the call, applicants may also contact the JSIF Project officer @ 968- 4545 EXT. 2286.