



Action Project Reference: 69-03

Organisation: Fiji Amateur Boxing Association

Action Project Proposal:

“Research potential grants and create grant proposal templates”

Who Are the Fiji Amateur Boxing Association?

Fiji Amateur Boxing Association (FABA) has been around since the 1950s in various stages of evolutionary development and effectiveness.

Fiji Amateur Boxing Association (FABA) aka Boxing Fiji is the national federation for amateur boxing in Fiji. Boxing Fiji administers Fiji's Olympic representative boxers and develops the sport throughout Fiji including Rotuma.

Fiji Boxing is recognised as the National Sporting Organisation for Boxing by the Fiji National Sports Commission (FNSC), the Fiji Association of Sports and National Olympic Committee (FASANOC), the Oceania Boxing Confederation (OSBC) and the International Boxing Association (AIBA), the world's governing International Federation.

Mission:

Our Mission is: *Build on. Dedicated to our values.*

Our Values are: *Forging champions. Universally respected.*

Long Term Aims & Vision:

Our vision is to create a healthy, vibrant and sustainable amateur boxing ecosystem that is accessible and serves the needs of everyone. We do this through strategic planning, creating robust systems and providing adequate developmental and growth opportunities for key stakeholders.

In the long term we want to make amateur boxing accessible for everyone, produce world class athletes and gender mainstream the sport to acceptable levels.

Current Challenges:

Some barriers or challenges we face include:

- Boxing Fiji has only recently experienced a resurgence and therefore a lot needs to be done to reestablish ourselves.
- There are not proper structures in place to enable our operations.
- Our income is essentially a government grant so we also need to diversify.

Further Information:

Much of our operations are reliant on external funding and therefore grants are essential for us to continue running. We would therefore like your help in researching and collecting information (e.g. deadlines, criteria etc.) about potential grants. We would also like you to create a grant proposal template for us which we can then use to apply for these grants.

Key Research & Discussion Areas:

Plan and deliver ...

- What organisations provide grants? What organisations provide grants for sports associations?
- Will you look for grants in Fiji or also internationally?
- What are the key dates and timescales for these grants? Could you create a timeline for the organisation so that they know when they need to apply?
- What are the key areas that need to be covered in the proposal?
- Can you find examples of other proposals from similar organisations either in Fiji or

elsewhere?

- What is good about these?
- How could they be improved?
- What sections do they include?
- In what ways are the organisations similar?

Tip: Have a tangible aim which is SMART (specific, measurable, achievable, realistic, and timely)

- How will the proposal be presented? (Check out free templates online)
 - Who is the audience?
 - Will you need to complete a number of proposals depending on whether you are applying for local or overseas support?
 - Highlight common areas that might change between proposals as well as those areas that are more standardised.
- What online resources are available to you as you plan and deliver this proposal?
- Research specific available grants/funds that could be targeted - pay attention to deadlines and specific criteria.
- What parts of the Think Pacific Skills Series will you use?

Content ...

- What makes this organisation unique? - why would people want to invest in it - think about its mission, values, history, ethics and successes?
- What benefits does FABBA bring to Fiji? Make sure to emphasise these.
- Use online examples to help you formulate a grant proposal template document. How can this be adapted to suit the needs of Fiji Amateur Boxing Association?
- How will FABBA use the grant funds? Why are these aims important? Try to show clearly how the grant will help achieve these aims.
- What information do donors need to persuade them to invest?
- What time period should this proposal be covering?

Barriers to success ...

- What barriers are there to the creation of your proposal? How could these be overcome?
 - Can you find any examples of how other organisations have overcome similar issues?
- How could you overcome the following types of barriers to the success of your proposal?:
 - Practical (e.g. what grants are likely to invest)
 - Information and Knowledge (e.g. what do you need to know about this sector and organisation in order to complete the plan? What do you need to know about grants to enable effective research?)
 - Resources (e.g. what information or resources do you need in order to be able to complete this project?)

Evaluate ...

- Come back to your original aim - has your proposal achieved the original purpose?
 - Are there any improvements you should make?
- How will you ensure that the research and proposal are sustainable for long term use?
- What parts of your project will you focus on in your presentation at the end of your internship?

Useful Links:

- Organisation page:
<https://thinkpacific.com/action-project-fiji-amateur-boxing-association/>
- Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/Fijiamateurboxing/>
- Article about the resurgence of the organisation:
<https://www.fbcnews.com.fj/sports/amateur-boxing-to-be-revived-in-fiji/>

Further Questions

Are there any questions you would like to ask FABa to assist in completing this project?

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