

## SUCCESS AMBASSADOR

### GRANT APPLICATION FORM: Scholarship Grant

*\*Grants will be dispersed on the 15th of each month (or the next business day). In order to be considered for a Scholarship Grant, applications must be submitted by the 31st of the prior month.*

Dear Success Ambassador,

The Interweave Scholarship Grant is intended specifically to assist with the costs of training \*MBS groups that are not yet self-reliant. We understand that there are unavoidable costs in helping people move from poverty to prosperity and that it can be difficult to start a group among people who cannot pay for the services provided. Thanks to our generous donors, we have *limited* funds available to help in these situations.

As you apply for this grant, please keep in mind that we are an International Organization working with hundreds of Ambassadors, all of whom are working towards the same goal. Each application will be reviewed carefully by a committee made up of board members, donors and office staff, and funds will be awarded to the groups that are most needful and will progress the most with the funds provided. To clarify, this means that you *may or may not* receive any money from Interweave Solutions as a result of this application. Please know that this is in no way a reflection of you as a Success Ambassador nor of our support and appreciation of your efforts.

BEFORE submitting a grant application, please be sure you have made an honest effort to find funding outside of Interweave Solutions. This includes *all* of the following:

- You have petitioned any partnership entities (NGOs, churches, libraries, schools, MFIs, government associations, clubs, etc.) to compensate you for your teaching, even if just by providing space or materials for the classes you are teaching.
- If you do not currently have a partnership, you have sought sponsorship from other organizations in your local area.
- You have asked your students to cover the costs for their own certificate, workbook and/or any other costs that might be necessary.
- You have ensured that any funds received will be used honestly to benefit those in need and allow you to serve as their Success Ambassador.

If you meet all the qualifications above, we sincerely hope to be able to provide the funding necessary for the success of your MBS group. The Scholarship Grant works differently than other grants you might have previously received. The grant operates under the following conditions:

- **In order to promote self-reliance, each member of your MBS group receiving Interweave funding must commit to pay some amount for the course.** You, the Success Ambassador, will decide what is appropriate to

require. You can require a fixed amount from each participant (\$5 per person), or you can have each participant evaluate their own situation and pay whatever they can afford personally.

- **Interweave will subsidize up to \$20 USD per participant**, with a maximum group size of 30. Note that Interweave is not committed to contribute the full amount, but will determine your grant based on the number of participants, the support you are able to receive elsewhere and the funds we have available at the time of your request.
- **You will maintain regular contact with Interweave Solutions** during the time you are facilitating the group we have sponsored. You will send regular updates (including pictures and stories) as well as a monthly financial report of how you have used the grant money.
- **This is a one-time grant.** In the spirit of self-reliance, cannot offer a scholarship on which you might become dependent. However, we want to ensure that you are able to continue your work if it is successful, so you will qualify to apply for a second grant **ONLY IF** during the course of your time facilitating, at least 2 members of your group register and pay for the Success Ambassador Course online and begin progressing to become Success Ambassadors. We will also evaluate your post-evaluation statistics on myPlatform. Based on this criteria, you may be eligible to submit an application for a second grant. This pattern will continue with each subsequent group.

**\*NOTE\*** We are aware that this requirement creates competition for you as a Success Ambassador, but we want to clarify that it also ensures that you are minimizing your travel costs by creating local Success Ambassadors who can facilitate groups in the future. You have the right to choose to continue traveling, but if no effort is made to produce local Success Ambassadors, we cannot support you with Interweave funds. We want to see you be self-reliant.

By submitting the application below, you affirm that you understand and commit to the grant requirements and conditions listed above. Please be completely honest in your submission, and keep your answers brief and specific.

We support you and hope to help facilitate your success in moving people from poverty to prosperity in the best way we can. Thank you for your dedication to Interweave's mission, vision and values ([www.interweavesolutions.org/mission-vision-and-values](http://www.interweavesolutions.org/mission-vision-and-values)) and your hard work as a facilitator of self-reliance.

Best of luck,

The Interweave Team

\*This grant may also be applied to situations requiring the *ABC's of Business* or *English for Business Success* literacy programs as well. If you are interested in a grant to teach either of these literacy programs, please send an email to [audrey@interweavesolutions.org](mailto:audrey@interweavesolutions.org) for more information.

Your Name:

Current Residence (city, country):

Success Ambassador Certificate Number:

In the space below, please give a **brief history of your time as a Success Ambassador** (tell us about the MBS groups you have facilitated so far including the number of participants and graduates, previous grants received from Interweave, etc.)

In the space below, please **explain your need for Interweave's Scholarship Grant**, (including a summary of your efforts to find funding from the sources listed in the introductory letter):

**What is your estimated financial need?**

HOW MANY PARTICIPANTS WILL YOU TRAIN IN THIS GROUP (MAX 30)?

HOW MUCH WILL YOUR PARTICIPANTS CONTRIBUTE FOR THEIR OWN PARTICIPATION?

WHAT OTHER SOURCES OF FUNDING DO YOU HAVE AND HOW MUCH WILL THEY CONTRIBUTE? (Partnerships or contracts)

**TOTAL AMOUNT SOUGHT FROM INTERWEAVE:**

Comments or anything else you think we should know:

When this form is completed, please send it to [seraphin@interweavesolutions.org](mailto:seraphin@interweavesolutions.org) for review with the subject SCHOLARSHIP GRANT APPLICATION.

Thank you! **Please be patient while we process your application.** We will be in contact with you as soon as we can, and may reach out to invite you for a video interview before final decisions are made.