

FONDATION DE BIENFAISANCE PIERRE & ANDRÉE HAAS

PROJECT SELECTION GUIDINES

1. General Purpose

The Haas Foundation supports projects of public interest in the following areas:

Health

Support for medical research, assistance to professors or researchers, funding of medical projects or equipment.

Education

Support for disadvantaged children and youth, and assistance to institutions working in education and training.

Social and Humanitarian

Aid for individuals and families in precarious situations, and support for nonprofit organizations active in the social or humanitarian fields.

Culture

Support for artistic creation and the realization of projects in the fields of arts and culture.

Heritage

Support for the restoration of monuments (castles, cathedrals, churches) or the acquisition of materials related to heritage conservation or enhancement.

2. Eligibility Criteria

- Only nonprofit organizations (associations, foundations, public interest institutions) are eligible.
- The organization must be tax-exempt (proof required).
- Only one application per calendar year and per organization is accepted.
- Individual requests (scholarships, personal aid) will not be considered.
- Political and religious neutrality: Projects or organizations with a political, militant, or religious character are not eligible for support. The foundation remains neutral and only supports initiatives of general public interest.

3. Deadlines and Timeline

- Applications must be submitted at least 2 months before the project start date and 1 month before the Foundation Board meeting (see attached calendar).
- For annual projects (January–December): applications must be submitted at least 2 months before the beginning of the concerned year.
- Due to the high volume of applications, early submission is strongly recommended.

4. Excluded Areas

The Haas Foundation does not consider requests falling under the following categories:

- Individual support (scholarships, personal assistance)
- Sports clubs or associations
- Businesses or commercial entities (except nonprofit social enterprises)
- Commercial cultural productions (films, music albums, publications, etc.)
- One-time events (conferences, galas, seminars, charity evenings)
- Fundraising or sponsorship events
- Art funding or individual artistic creation
- Creation or launch of a new association/foundation
- Coverage of budget deficits or sponsorship requests
- Projects that have already taken place or started before the decision.

5. Application Content

The project must be submitted exclusively via the online form available on the official Haas Foundation website.

No other form of submission (email, postal mail, hand delivery, etc.) will be considered.

The file must include all required documents.

If certain elements, such as audited accounts, are not yet available at the time of submission, the applicant must explicitly mention this and provide the missing documents as soon as possible.

6. Selection process

Applications are reviewed regularly by the Foundation's team. The Foundation Board meets four times per year to select projects.

Projects are evaluated based on the following criteria:

- Project impact (social, educational, cultural, or health-related)
- Alignment with the Foundation's mission and areas of action
- Feasibility and viability of the project and the applicant organization
- Sustainability of the impact and future autonomy
- Financial transparency, strength of the funding plan, and budget coherence
- Innovation, relevance, and originality of the project

- Urgency and criticality of the need

Decisions of the board are final, confidential, and not subject to appeal.

7. Funding Allocation

Approved funds are strictly allocated to the validated project.

The beneficiary commits to informing the Foundation immediately of any significant changes:

- Project content or timeline
- Budget or organizational modifications
- Delay or cancellation

Upon project completion, the following documents must be submitted:

- An activity or final project report
- Financial statements detailing the use of the funds

No new application will be considered until these documents are provided.

8. Communication and logo usage

Logo usage guidelines will be shared after funding approval.

The Foundation reserves the right to mention supported projects in its communications, with the prior agreement of the beneficiary.

Further details regarding visibility and communication will be outlined in the support agreement.

9. Submitting an Application

Applications must be submitted exclusively via the online form available on the Haas Foundation's official website.


An automatic acknowledgment of receipt will be sent by email upon submission.

10. Data protection

All submitted data is treated confidentially, in compliance with Swiss data protection laws, including GDPR provisions.

11. Contact

For any questions or additional information:

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 Online contact form available at www.fondation-haas.org