

Bureau/Program Specific Requirements
U.S. Department of State

1. **Substantial Involvement:** N/A

2. **Pre-Award Costs:** N/A

3. **Program Income:** N/A

4. **Cost-Sharing:** \$122,000

It is understood and agreed that the Recipient must provide the minimum amount of cost sharing as stipulated in the Recipient's budget approved by the Grants Officer. Cost sharing may be in the form of allowable direct or indirect costs. The Recipient must maintain written records to support all allowable costs which are claimed as being its contribution to cost participation, as well as costs to be paid by the Federal Government. Such records are subject to audit. The basis for determining the value of cash and in-kind contributions must be in accordance with 2 CFR 215.23 (OMB Circular A-110 (Revised), Subpart C. 23 Cost Sharing and Matching). In the event the Recipient does not provide the minimum amount of cost sharing as stipulated in the Recipient's approved budget, the DOS's contribution will be reduced in proportion to the Recipient's contribution.

5. **Sub-recipients:** The grantee will issue subgrants to Espacio Publico and Instituto Prensa y Sociedad (see budget and budget narrative).

6. **Acknowledgement of DOS or USG involvement:**

All Department assistance awards should acknowledge the involvement of the USG. However, for awards authorized by the Foreign Assistance Act (FAA) of 1961 or funded by an annual Foreign Operations Appropriations Act (FOAA), acknowledgement of the USG is only required "to the extent practicable." The Grants Officer or Principal Officer has determined that for the purposes of this award, the recipient is not required to publicly acknowledge the support of the U.S. Department of State in any aspect of the program resulting from this award.

7. **Publications for Professional Audiences Waiver**

Provision 15 of the Standard Terms and Conditions for US Department of State assistance awards, requires that all publications must acknowledge the support of the U.S. Department of State. However, for the purposes of this award the, Grants Officer, Grants Officer Representative, or Principal Officer has determined that for the purposes of this award the Grants Officer has determined that the recipient is not required to publicly acknowledge the support of the U. S. Department of State, where it is ~~inappropriate, in any publications of the program resulting from this award~~

8. Additional Bureau Specific Requirements:

Grants Officer's Representative:

The Grants Officer's Representative (GOR) for this Grant will be **Isabelle Zsoldos**. The GOR is responsible for the programmatic, technical, and/or scientific aspects of this award. Any correspondence related to programmatic issues should be directed to the following address:

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Recipient Administrator:

The Recipient Administrator to be contacted in regard to this Agreement's Terms and Conditions is:

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9. Special Award Conditions (includes high risk recipients and/or other special conditions):

N/A

10. Deviations (this includes additional reporting or statutorily mandated requirements): N/A

Attachment 1

Statement of Work: PADF requests assistance in the amount of \$699,996 for a program to support the development of independent media in Venezuela. PADF's program will focus on journalism via innovative media technologies and investigative journalism. PADF will partner with two local Venezuelan NGOs to conduct a series of trainings for ~~local journalists focused on the basics and advanced skills of Internet-based reporting and~~ investigative reporting. The program will engage a wide range of Venezuelan media organizations and news outlets, including 4 university partners. Finally, PADF will create two journalism awards for innovative reporting and investigative reporting and will disseminate the winning content online and to selected independent media audiences.

Short-Term Goals:**Innovative Media Training and Technical Support:**

1. Conduct five training workshops on Internet reporting technologies, two training workshops on the use of Internet technologies for investigative reporting, and one ~~workshop on strategies for Internet advocacy and content dissemination~~ for a total of 150 participants trained.
2. Conduct two national-level journalism forums with participation of 40 organizations total.
3. Conduct a technical needs assessment on Web technologies among program participants.
4. Hire a communications technician and establish a technical support help desk for program participants.
5. Provide continued assistance, via the help desk, to participants on Internet technologies throughout the program.

Innovative Media Journalism Awards Fund:

1. Create and disseminate selection criteria for proposals from journalists focused on Internet-based reporting formats.
2. Hold 2 competitions, one per year, for a total of \$25,000 in funding awarded to at least 10 proposals.

Investigative Journalism Training and Technical Support:

1. Conduct a three-day workshop for the basics of investigative reporting, a two-day training on investigative radio journalism techniques, a three-day workshop on logistics and publishing of investigative reporting, and a two-day seminar on implementation of investigative reporting focused on identifying and managing information sources for a total of 195 participants trained.
2. Establish an investigative reporting and editing help desk with two international media experts and three Venezuelan media experts.
3. Partner with four Venezuelan universities to establish one course per school on investigative reporting.

Investigative Journalism Awards:

1. Develop contest procedures and award criteria.

2. Conduct promotion campaign about the awards with the goal of 40 submitted entries total for the program.
 3. Hold 2 competitions, one per year, for a total of \$20,000 in funding awarded to at least 6 entries. Winning entries are distributed online and to selected audiences. Conduct a three-day workshop on logistics and publishing of investigative reporting. Create youth website/blog
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Long-Term Goals:

1. Increased use of new media technologies and investigative reporting techniques by Venezuelan journalists.
 2. Increased capacity of Venezuelan journalists to conduct independent, unbiased reporting on issues of democratic practices and values.
 3. Increased access for Venezuelans to independent news and information.
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