

Together for a change is a partnership between Priority Areas and World Mission. It exists to help individuals from Priority Area communities engage in exchanges with World Mission partner Churches around the world to further the aims relating to individual growth, community development, and tackling poverty.

**Please run through the checklist at the end of these guidance notes before spending time completing the application. Read these notes carefully and refer to them as you complete the form.**

Who will be involved from your community?

Use this space to tell us about the people who will take part in your project. Tell us how you will decide who they are, what criteria you will use, how they are connected to your church. Make sure to include specific information – for example; where you are deliberately choosing age ranges, demographics, gender, interests make it clear why you are choosing these people to participate. Include total numbers you envisage taking part, those travelling, and also those not travelling but involved or impacted in another way.

Who will you Partner with Internationally?

Consult with World Mission to find a suitable partner church, and then use this space to help us understand why you have chosen that particular place – what is it that is special about the area, how does the location enhance your aims in this project, how will you relate to your partners, what makes it suitable for the people you have chosen to partner with. In travelling to this place what can you access that you couldn’t experience by staying at home? You should call or email Carol Finlay in the World Mission Council (call 0131 225 5722 and ask for Carol or email cfinlay@churchofscotland.org.uk) and have a conversation with her about your proposal and what might be the best fit in with one of our partners around the world. Don’t worry if this leads to a variety of options, this part can be ongoing and should not hold up your application.

What will you do?

Use this space to tell us about the activities / experiences you will run / take part in when on this trip. Why have you chosen them in particular? What will happen to those taking part? Help us understand the process that will take place, the itinerary and the thinking behind it. The timescales, repetitions, return visits – the whole shape of what you propose. Be as clear and concise as you can.

Why? What differences do you want to make?

This space is about for the hopes and dreams you have in relation to this project – why are you doing it what difference do you want it to make? How will individuals be different after this experience, how will those changed people instigate further change in their own communities? What impact will all of this have on poverty isolation and deprivation?

Outcomes - These are the differences we want to make as a result of the TFAC project: Describe how your piece of work will fit in with any of these outcomes?

1. Going beyond the edges of our own experiences to find transformation.
2. Empowering individuals through challenging experiences and new connections.
3. Building relationships for the transformation of community and growing resilience through shared experience.
4. Experiencing life in another culture to enable participants to tell a body of new stories about themselves and the world.
5. Exploring the roots of poverty within two cultures to enable change.

Please use this space to clearly link your proposed project with any of the five aims above. We would expect to see a minimum of two really stand out as being central to the proposed piece of work.

What kind of information will you gather as evidence of how successful you have been in meeting these outcomes?

Please use this space to give us a clear idea of how you plan to evaluate this work, and especially how you plan to capture excellent data while you undertake the project.

Checklist:

[ ] Consulted with World mission and chosen and appropriate partner

[ ] Completed the application form

[ ]  Completed a Budget Sheet detailing costs of the piece of work

[ ]  Obtained a minute of Support from your Kirk Session in which they detail that they have seen and approve the application