

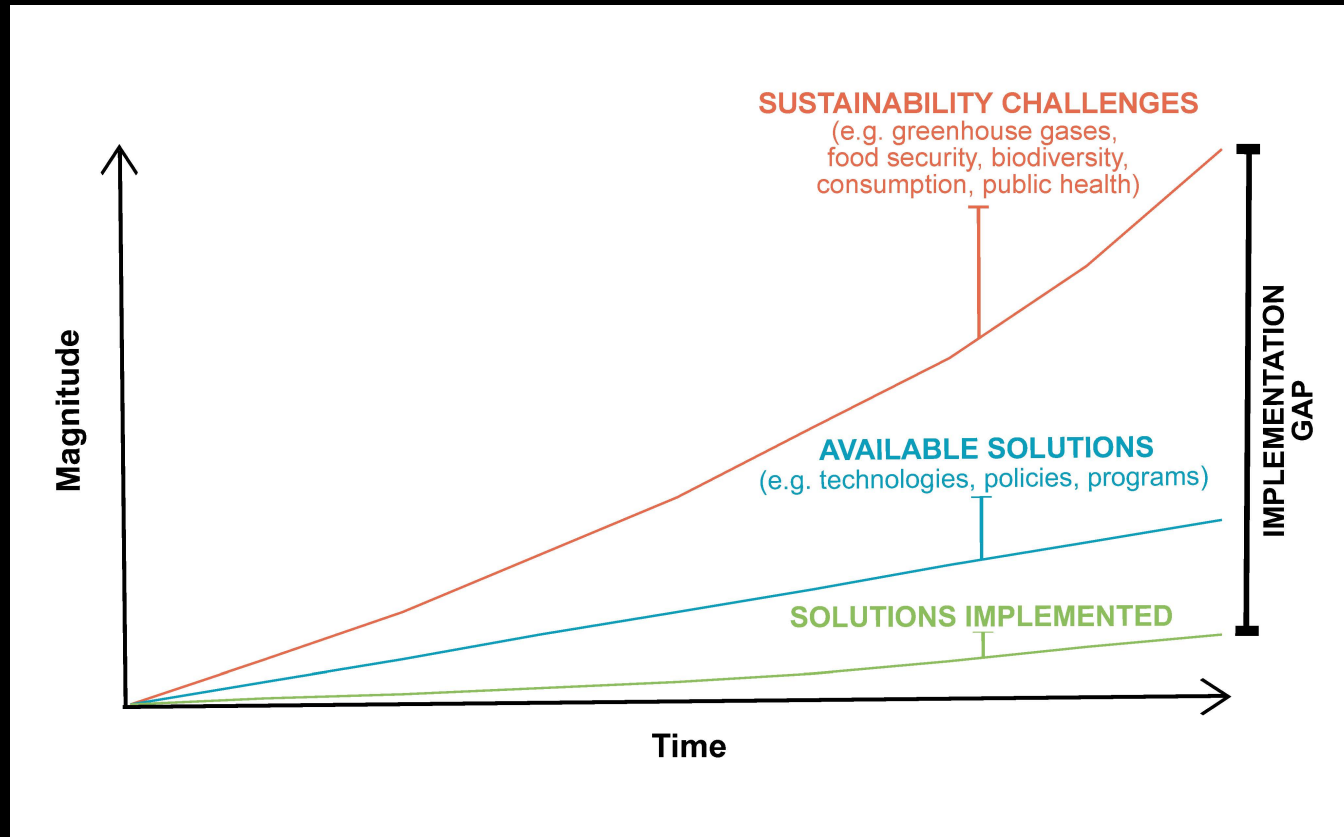


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# Mission

**Develop, apply and scale solutions  
to sustainability challenges**

# The Implementation Gap



GCSO is **only** university network focused on closing the “implementation gap.”



# GCSO Theory of Change

Universities

Implementers\*



Research + Development + Implement/Scale = **IMPACT**



**Something becomes more sustainable**

\*Implementers = NGO, school, government, business, neighborhood, etc. who both co-develops and implements the solution



# Membership



**Universities:** 12 members, 7 countries, 1 US territory  
**Corporations:** Wells Fargo, PepsiCO



# Key Features

- **Governance:** Non-profit, governed by members
- **Members:** Invitation-only universities + businesses
- **Dues:** \$50,000 USD per year

**\$1 million distributed to members to date**  
**+**  
**100% of dues used to fund member projects**

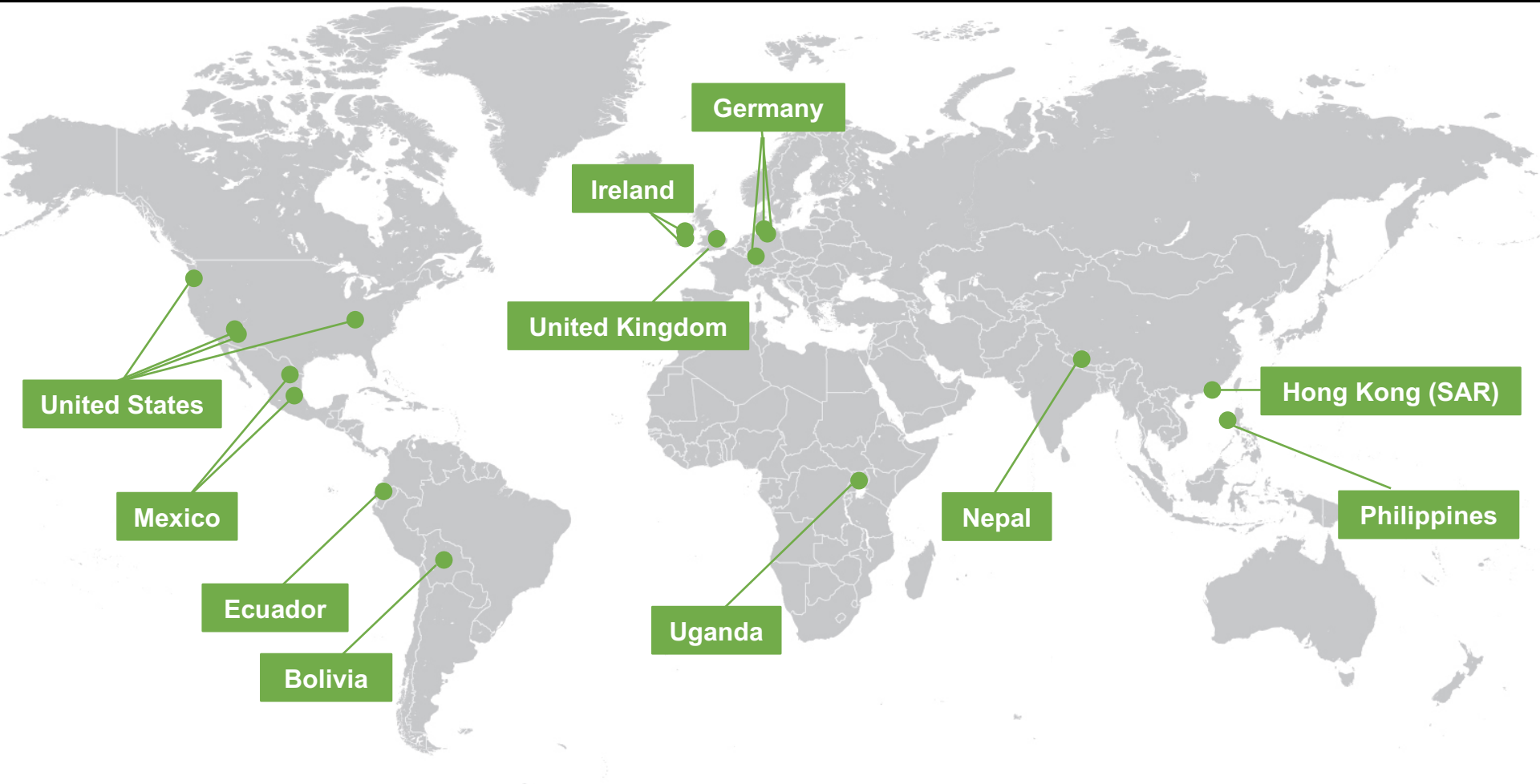


# Funded Projects

- Reduce **energy use, GHGs** in public buildings
- Enhance **city capacity** to address sustainability issues
- K-12 teachers teach **sustainable behaviors**
- Improve **global health** at local level
- Assist **Indigenous Peoples** in developing sustainable communities
- Build **sustainable local food** economies
- Increase use of **renewable energy** in emerging markets
- Activate **sustainable purchasing** by cities



# Project Locations



# Highlights

- **GCSO is leader in the solution implementation space**
- **Distributed \$1 million of GCSO funding**
- **15 multi-university projects, 11 countries**
- **73 non-duplicative researchers engaged**
- **46 unique implementation agents engaged**
- **~\$700k received from external funders for projects**
- **Working with USAID, World Bank, other agencies**







Your university is a member of the Global Consortium for Sustainability Outcomes (GCSO), an international network dedicated to scaling solutions to sustainability challenges.

You have received this survey because you are a leader in sustainability solutions at your institution. This survey will take 5 minutes to complete and will help GCSO identify potential opportunities for collaboration across the GCSO network and funding sources to support your work.

I work for the following GCSO member institution:

Contact information:

Name

Title

Email Address

Please select your areas of expertise. Sub-categories will appear once selections have been made.

Cities and Urban Sustainability	Technology Innovation for Sustainability
Sustainable Energy	Sustainability Education & Training
Oceans & Water Resource Management	Sustainable Governance, Regulations & Policy
Biodiversity	Assessment, Evaluation & Reporting
Global Health & Well-Being	Environmental Monitoring & Sensing
Sustainable Manufacturing & Supply Chain Management	Agriculture & Food System Sustainability
Campus Sustainability Operations	

The **EASIEST** way to get involved and identify collaborative partners is to complete our 5-min expertise survey.

[bit.ly/GCSOintakesurvey](https://bit.ly/GCSOintakesurvey)

The logo features the letters 'GCSO' in a bold, sans-serif font. The 'G' is yellow-green, the 'C' is light green, the 'S' is teal, and the 'O' is blue. The letters are superimposed on a dark grey silhouette of a world map.

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**2019 GCSO Grant Program**

# GCSO Grant Funding

- **Purpose:** Test and implement refined solutions
- **Requirements:**
  - Collaboration of 2+ multi-location members
  - Test and apply a solution to a sustainability problem
  - Certify that an “implementation agent” has agreed to apply the solution
  - Have a clear plan for scaling the solution
  - Answer this question:
    - What will become more sustainable as a result of this project?



# 2019 GCSO Members

## Asia/Southeast Asia

- City University of Hong Kong
- King Mongkut's Institute of Technology Ladkrabang\*

## Europe

- Dublin City University
- Karlsruhe Institute of Technology
- King's College London
- Leuphana University of Lüneberg

## North America

- Arizona State University
- Portland State University
- Tecnológico de Monterrey
- Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México
- Kamehameha Schools

## Oceania

- University of Guam

*\*Affiliate Member*



# GCSO Funding Opportunity

## 2019 Timeline

**January 1:** 2019 GCSO Grant Competition opens (InfoReady)

**March 8:** Letters of intent due (500 words)

**March 29:** Applicants receive notification/LOI feedback

- **Limited submission:** *For each GCSO member institution, no more than 3 LOI applications will advance to the full proposal state*

**April 30:** Full proposals due (invite only)

**May 31:** Awards announced

**June – August:** Funds distributed; Planning and grant administration period for project teams

**September 1, 2019 – August 31, 2020:** Project period



# Request for Proposals

## GCSO 2019 Grant Program

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Approximately \$500,000 USD is available in 2019 to fund projects that implement and scale sustainability solutions.

**Submission Guidelines:** The project must implement and/or scale a fully developed solution, and engage an implementer (e.g. government, NGO, school, industry). Projects are required to include the collaboration of two or more GCSO member universities.

**Eligibility:** Faculty, staff and researchers of [GCSO member institutions](#) are eligible to apply.

**Process and Deadlines:** The proposal process will be conducted in two stages: Stage 1. Submission of an initial Letter of Intent (LOI); and, Stage 2. Submission of a Full Proposal (by invitation only). Awards will be announced in June 2019. Projects must begin no later than September 1, 2019 and be completed by August 2020.

Stage 1. Letter of Intent (Required): Interested applicants submit a Letter of Intent (LOI) by [5:00pm MST on March 8, 2019](#) via InfoReady (online platform will open January 1, 2019). Alternate submission methods will not be considered.

Stage 2. Invited Full Proposals: Full Proposals are due via InfoReady by [5:00pm MST on April 30, 2019](#).

### Resources:

[2019 GCSO Grant Program Overview](#)

[2019 GCSO Grant Program FAQs](#)

[2019 GCSO Grant Program Slideshow](#)

If your question is not addressed in the FAQs, please send it to [Karen.Kao@asu.edu](mailto:Karen.Kao@asu.edu) and you will receive a response within two U.S. business days.

# Frequently Asked Questions

**GCSO funds:** Proposals that scale viable solutions

**Project period:** 12-months; Begins Sept. 1, 2019

**Non-members:** Implementation or scaling partner only – no funding

**Applications:** Researchers at GCSO member institutions may submit multiple LOI applications

**Limited submission:** Up to 3 LOI applications from each member institution will advance to full RFP

**How much funding is available?** ~\$500,000

**Funding limit?** No; 2018 award range \$50K-\$100K

**LOI reviewers:** GCSO Member Representatives



# Tips

- **Allow time for pre- and post- award activities**
- **Promote project idea in newsletter, on Slack**
- **Consider which researcher/institution should be lead on the proposal**
- **Does IRB process apply?**
- **What will become more sustainable as a result of this project?**
  - *What is the anticipated outcome?*
  - *Metrics?*
- **Communicate/meet with Rep(s)**







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# What will be made more sustainable?

(GCSO-funded project examples)

