Apply now for The SVRI Research Grant 2024
Knowledge for Action to End Violence Against Women and Violence Against Children
The Sexual Violence Research Initiative (SVRI) is inviting applications for innovative research and interventions that will contribute to the prevention and response of violence against women (VAW) and violence against children (VAC) and other forms of violence driven by gender inequality in low and middle-income countries.

Types of Projects Eligible for the SVRI Research Grant

Types of projects that may be supported under this grant include:

- Research projects that are either stand-alone projects or a component of a larger project that will guide efforts to effectively address or prevent VAW and VAC.
- Qualitative studies exploring the effectiveness and process of creating change with innovative VAW and VAC prevention interventions, or studying the acceptability, impact, and process of change created by interventions that support and assist survivors of VAW and VAC.
- Projects that aim to address the prevention and response to VAW and VAC together or simultaneously, or through a single intervention with distinct elements.
- Projects that aim to understand how to integrate programming for VAW and/or VAC into other sectoral work and or large infrastructure development programmes.
- Projects that develop innovative methods and tools for VAW and/or VAC research.
- Projects that evaluate how to effectively expand tested interventions for preventing and responding to VAW and VAC.
- Secondary analysis of existing data that provides insights into addressing VAW and VAC more effectively and sustainably.
- Research on violence across diverse populations in situations of vulnerability, including but not limited to persons with disabilities, people living with HIV, older persons, indigenous peoples, LGBTQI+ people, refugees, internally displaced persons, and migrants.
- Projects that enhance our understanding of sexual violence against children or adolescents, including research on interventions to prevent such violence and/or support child and adolescent survivors of such violence.

The Global Shared Research Agenda is a valuable tool for providing guidance on research priorities identified by the field. There might be other relevant research themes in different contexts, so the GRSA should be used as a general guidance tool.

Grant Value and Duration

Applicants can apply for grants between $40,000 to $150,000 no longer than 18 months in length.

The common characteristic of these awards is the provision of limited funding for a short period of time to research projects with clear, measurable outcomes.

Guiding principles

Projects supported by The SVRI Research Grant should:

- Apply feminist and women-centred research and partnerships.
- Be conceptualised within a human rights framework.
- Adhere to international safety standards and ethical guidelines.
- Strive for innovation in ideas, new methodologies and partnerships, while building on evidence.
- Emphasise collaboration, cross-sectoral approaches and multi-disciplinary perspectives.
- Promote equitable participation and bring diverse voices from low- and middle-income countries (researchers, survivors, marginalised groups) to the field.
- Endeavour, where relevant and appropriate, to engage the community where the research will take place.
• Challenge the gender hierarchy that contributes to VAW and VAC in order to promote gender equality.
• Inform policy, programmes and services and contribute to comprehensive care and support for survivors.

How to Apply
Applications must be made via the Proposal Central online system at: https://proposalcentral.altum.com/

If you are a first-time user of Proposal Central, you must first register before you can proceed with your application. All information needed for proposal submission is available online in The SVRI Research Grant Guidelines.

Closing Date
All applications must be submitted and reach us by midnight (South African time) on 6 July 2023. Only applications submitted via the online system before the stated closing date and time will be considered.

Online applications can be complicated. Please try and submit well before the deadline. The SVRI and Proposal Central will not be held responsible for delays in internet connectivity or problems experienced with the online form.

Grant Information Summary
• Level of award: $40,000 to $150,000
• Period of award: 12-18 months in length
• Closing date for applications: 6 July 2023
• Further information email: svri@svri.org
• Method of application: Applications must be submitted online here (Select Award Maker: Sexual Violence Research Initiative)
• Language of application: Applications in English, French and Spanish will be accepted.