

NGO FORUM

Date established	1998 (but registered 2000)
Date and type of registration	Company Act
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Number of active organisations	Umbrella Organisation for NGOs in Guyana
Number of paid staff	None
Number of regular volunteers	12 Trustees
Estimated annual budget	N/A
Main sources of funding	Subscription fees & fundraising
Geographic scope of activity	Guyana

Mission or primary goal of your organization:

NGO Forum promotes for the benefit of the community all which may be deemed by the law to be charitable and in particular the advancement of education, training, human rights, sustainable development and environmental protection, the furtherance of health, relief of property, distress and sickness. It promotes and organises co-operation in the achievement of the above purposes and to that end to bring together nationally and locally representatives of voluntary agencies engaged in the furtherance of the above purposes or any of them.

Main subject areas of activity or programmes

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> X Social services/welfare X Welfare and relief X Human rights X Physical improvement of community X Counselling X Student/youth issues X Advocacy X Violence X Poverty reduction X Health | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> x HIV/AIDS x Education/training x Professional x Environment x Housing x Women's issues x Consumer rights x Indigenous peoples issues x Legal services |
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Note: Reflects the activity of membership of NGO Forum

Major projects in last two years, including current projects

Project #1 Name/Goal	<u>Aim was to give political parties the opportunity to assist the public to better understand the party's manifesto in order to be in a position to vote based on this knowledge rather than based on race or other negatives.</u>
Start date	2001
<u>Main activities</u>	Political Parties/Civil Society Dialogue workshop session at the Ocean View in 2001. Workshop was well attended. Each party made a presentation and allowed time for questions and answers. Two parties did not attend.
Main source(s) of funding	BCCP
Project theme or sector	Political Parties/Civil Society Dialogue
Project partners	BCCP and NGO Forum
Geographic scope	Nationwide
Project #2 Name/Goal	<u>To demonstrate accountability and transparency within the NGO sector and their impact as a group</u>
Start date	2003
<u>Main activities</u>	Public meetings and consultations
Main source(s) of funding	NGO Forum
Project theme or sector	Guyana Red Cross
Project partners	Draft legislation for Civil Society
Project partners	NGO Forum
Geographic scope	Guyana Red Cross

Major projects planned for at least next two years

Project #1 Name/Goal	<u>Strengthen role of civil society organisations as individual entities and as a group</u>
Start date	August 2004
<u>Main activities</u>	Workshops for NGOs across the nation in order to build capacity of civil society organisations in Guyana, e.g. general administration, dialogue, etc. Training sessions.
Project theme or sector	Advocacy & capacity building
Project #2 Name/Goal	
Start date	March 2004
End date	
<u>Main activities</u>	Participation in workshop sessions, dialogue to advocate need for NGO legislation in Guyana
Main source(s) of funding	The Carter Center
Project theme or sector	NGO legislation

Project partners
Geographic scope

NGO Forum, The Carter Center, CPDC, other stakeholders
Nationwide

Networking

What other NGOs would you like to share information with or collaborate with in your activities?

1. All NGOs in Guyana
2. Potential donors
3. Other organisations with similar interests, e.g. CPDC
4. International NGO organisations