Project Implementation Planning

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Small Shop. Big Impact.

Purpose of a PIP



To provide FUNDERS with the required components to obtain approval and begin project implementation.

To provide YOU/YOUR PARTNERS with the opportunity to update project elements based on changes in context and confirm that all stakeholders agree with the project designs, plans, and responsibilities.

To provide YOU/YOUR PARTNERS will the detailed plans you need to oversee implementation of the project and fulfill reporting requirements later.

To provide YOU/YOUR PARTNERS with the specifics/details they need to effectively deliver project activities and conduct project monitoring.

PIP (Project) Elements

Review and Update

Per the standard terms from GAC Contribution Agreement:

- Project Summary
- Geography and Reach
- Theory of Change Gender, Human Rights , Environment Sustainability, Logic Model
- Theory of Change Risk management
- Results-Based Monitoring and Evaluation Plan
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PIP 'Light' Elements

- Project Summary & Reach
- Logic Model
- Project Management and Governance
- Gender Equality Strategy
- Environmental Action Plan
- Exit Strategy
- Monitoring, Evaluation (and Learning) Plan
- Capacity Building Plan
- Risk Management Plan
- Work Plan / Outcome Based Schedule
- Budget

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Expand or Rework

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Cross-cutting themes



Explicitly addressed in some PIP sections, for consideration across all PIP elements

Standard:

- Gender Equality (and Social Inclusion)
- Environment (and climate change)

Emerging:

- Equitable partnerships
- Localization

Explicitly required:

Gender Equality (and Social Inclusion) Strategy Environmental Analysis / Environmental Action Plan

Good practice consideration: Monitoring, Evaluation and Learning Plan Governance and Management Plan Communications Plan Capacity Building Plan



How as the context for your project changed in the time since the project design?

- Financial Context
- Community Contexts
- Environmental Contexts
- Political/Policy Contexts
- Organizational Contexts
- Partner Contexts

GROUP EXERCISE:

Brainstorm all the possible aspects of these contexts that could require revisions to your project plan.

Group 1 – Financial / Community

Group 2 – Environmental / Political / Policy

Group 3 – Organizational / Partner

How as the context for your project changed in the time gap between project development and project inception?

- Financial Context
- Community Contexts
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Currency exchange fluctuations
Inflation
Banking policy
Change in donor interest in region (impacting org contribution)

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Changes in local leadership
Migration
Significant demographic shifts
Significant changes to economy, livelihoods
Changes to services available
Possible change in attitudes towards project
Other external pressures (e.g., Covid)

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Climate change impacts
Changes to landscape
Changes to accessibility

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Change in government

New policies governing NGOs

New policies requiring alignment/reporting

New local officials

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Staff turnover (e.g., are the staff that wrote the proposal still here?) Salary / Job Description changes New policies/procedures Recent lessons learned New internal tools to harness Change in visibility/support from Canadian donors

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Staff turnover Changes in status Conflict or other issues which impact your ability to collaborate New partners on the scene New local lessons learned / experiences

Who do you need to consult?

Context

