



MIT Solve 2027 Global Challenges: Application Questions

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Instructions

Thank you for applying to Solve's 2027 Global Challenges! **Please read these instructions carefully before you begin your application.** Before starting, you may also want to take this [quick eligibility quiz](#) to ensure that applying is a good use of your time. Good luck!

Solution deadline

The deadline to submit your solution is Monday, November 2, 2026, at 12pm (noon) Eastern Time. Please note the deadline is 12pm (noon) ET, NOT end of day.

Don't wait until the last minute to submit your application on the platform! We may not be able to help with technical issues if you wait until the last minute. Late applications are not accepted even if they're late because of technical issues, confusion about time zones, or connectivity problems.

What we're looking for

Solve seeks innovative, human-centered, tech-based solutions to our Global Challenges. Judging will take place over multiple rounds between November 2026 and March 2027.

Review the FAQs on the challenge page for details on the types of solutions we accept and the criteria that judges use to score your application.

If you or your organization has been selected as a Solver for a Global or Custom Challenge in the past, including as an Indigenous Communities Fellow, you may still apply, but your solution must be new. It cannot be the same solution that was previously selected by Solve. Reach out to help@solve.mit.edu if you have questions about your eligibility.

All application responses, including uploaded files, must be written in English.

Applications submitted in whole or in part in a language other than English will not be eligible for review.

MIT Solve is open to anyone in the world, with the exception of United States embargoed countries: US law prevents MIT Solve from accepting applications from people who are ordinarily resident in Iran, Cuba, Syria, North Korea, Crimea, Donetsk People's Republic and Luhansk People's Republic regions of Ukraine, Russia, and Belarus, or from parties blocked by the US Treasury Department.

Tips for completing the application

Start your application early. Most applicants reported that they spent several hours completing the application. Be sure to leave enough time to submit your application before the deadline.



Keep in mind that answers in your Solution Profile will become visible to the public if you are chosen as a Semifinalist. Please only share information in your solution profile that you are comfortable publicly sharing.

Word limits are limits, not requirements – you should use the fewest words you need to answer the question with sufficient detail.

Work offline using this list of questions if you have an unstable internet connection, then copy-paste your answers into the application.

Guidelines for using generative AI tools as you write your application:

- We do not recommend using generative AI tools to write your application for you. Your application will sound impersonal or generic to reviewers, and this can strongly disadvantage your application in our selection process. We want to hear your passion for and perspective on your solution!
- However, generative AI tools may be able to help you edit or research your answers to some questions. We suggest a few uses below.
- Always read and edit any answers that you receive from generative AI tools very carefully. These tools sometimes make mistakes. They can get facts wrong or invent sources that do not exist.

Prompts to use with generative AI tools that may be helpful to you as you write your application:

- “I have written the following in answer to a question in an application about [topic]. Can you shorten my answer so that it’s only 200 words?”
- “English is not my first language and I need help checking my writing for correct grammar and clear expression. Provide comments on what I’ve written so far: [answer]”
- Getting more information about a concept mentioned in a question: “Can you tell me more about what a Theory of Change is and how I can make one for my organization?”

How to edit and submit your application

- Applications save automatically; you can skip ahead between sections and exit at any time.
- To submit, complete the required questions and click SUBMIT SOLUTION. We recommend submitting early — you can log back in and edit as often as you like before the deadline via your Dashboard, then click Save & Exit.
- Saved but unsubmitted applications will not be considered. You must click SUBMIT SOLUTION by **November 2, 2026, at 12pm (noon) ET**.

See our [How to Apply Guide](#) for details.





Support with your application

Solve staff will be available to answer questions about the Challenges and the application at several online application clinics during the application period. You can get more information and register on [Solve's Events page](#).

You may also consider taking Solve's online MITx course [Business and Impact Planning for Social Enterprises](#). The course introduces core concepts on business models and impact planning and is designed to help you write strong responses to Solve's application (and to applications for other challenges or competitions like Solve's). The course is self-paced and takes about 25 hours to complete.

April 2027: Solver Orientation at MIT

If your solution is selected as a Solver team, your solution Team Lead must be available to attend Solver Orientation in Cambridge, MA on April 14-15, 2027. Travel assistance is provided.



Page 1: Your Solution Profile

Your MIT Solve Solution Profile is an initial set of questions you will answer to provide basic information about your solution. **For future applications, you can re-use this profile as a starting point.** If you proceed to the Semifinalist round, this profile will be made public on our site.

What is the name of your organization? (Required)

What is the name of your solution? (Required) {Character Limit = 30}

If you have a formal name for your solution, put that here. If not, use the name of your organization unless your solution is just a small piece of the organization's work, or the solution is a coalition between organizations that does not yet have a formal name. We recommend a length of 1-4 words. Example: in the title "Offline Squared: Project-based learning with Kolibri," **Kolibri** is the name of the organization, **Offline Squared** is the name of the solution, and "Project-based learning" could be part of the one-line summary below.

The name you provide will be used to refer to your solution on Solve's website, during the selection process, and, if you are selected, during your participation in Solve. Examples of solution names can be found [here](#).

Provide a one-line summary or tagline for your solution. (Required) {Character Limit = 150}

Describe your solution in 10-20 words. This summary will be used to describe your solution on the Solve website and to refer to your solution during the selection process. Examples of one-line summaries can be found [here](#) directly under each solution name.

In what city, town, or region is your solution team headquartered? (Required)

Headquarters typically refer to the central location where the key managerial and administrative activities of the solution are coordinated. This is likely where the solution's senior team is based and, if applicable, where the organization is formally registered.

In what country is your solution team headquartered? (Required)

Please select from the dropdown menu. Some challenges specify that your solution must be headquartered in particular countries in order to be eligible - please check this before continuing. The list in the dropdown menu is sourced from the [World Bank's list of Country and Lending Groups](#). Per the World Bank, note that the term country, as used for purposes of this list, "does not imply political independence but refers to any territory for which authorities report separate social or economic statistics." MIT Solve is open to anyone in the world, with the exception of United States embargoed countries (Iran, Cuba, Syria, North Korea, Crimea area, Russia, and Belarus).

What type of organization is your solution team? (Required)

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Refer to [this link](#) for organization definitions.

- For-profit, including B-Corp or similar models
- Nonprofit
- Hybrid of for-profit and nonprofit
- Not registered as any organization
- Other, including part of a larger organization (please explain below)

[IF OTHER] If you selected Other, please explain here. {Word limit = 100}

For example, if your solution team is part of a larger organization, share the name of the larger organization and describe the relationship between your solution and that organization.

Film your elevator pitch.

Provide a Vimeo or YouTube video link pitching your solution (maximum 2-minute video). Your video doesn't need to be fancy—you can simply record yourself speaking into the camera of a mobile device. Though it's not required, a video will help our reviewers understand your solution. If you have a tangible product, we suggest that you demo it in the video. An example of a successful application and its video pitch can be found [here](#). Note: Please ensure the video privacy settings are set to public.

What specific problem are you solving? (Required) {Word limit = 200}

Describe the specific problem within the Challenge that you are working to solve. What is the scale of the problem in the communities you are working in? How many people are affected? Which factors contributing to the problem relate to your solution? Include any relevant local or global statistics. If you're not sure where to start, take a look at these resources [here](#) and [here](#). You can also review answers from successful applications, [such as this one](#).

What is your solution? (Required) {Word limit = 200}

Describe your solution and how it works in simple terms. What is it? What does it do? Briefly describe how it works and what technology it uses. Be sure to use this space to talk about your solution, not the problem you are trying to solve. If relevant, share a link to a video of a product demo.

Who does your solution serve, and in what ways will the solution impact their lives?

(Required) {Word limit = 200}

Describe the target population whose lives you are working to directly and meaningfully improve. Who are they, and in what ways are they currently underserved? How will the solution address their needs?

[CHECKBOX] I agree to [MIT Solve's Terms of Service](#), the [MIT Solve Media Release and License](#), and the [MIT Solve Privacy Policy](#). (Required) [Not Publicly Viewable: for internal use only]



[CHECKBOX] I understand that MIT Solve may use AI-enabled tools to help process and review applications. Steps will be taken to avoid processing personal or sensitive data from fields marked for Solve use only, and Solve will use API configurations designed not to share application data back with third-party providers. **(Required) [Not Publicly Viewable: for internal use only]**

[CHECKBOX] I confirm that I have not fabricated, exaggerated, or otherwise misrepresented the information in this application. If GenAI tools were used for writing, I confirm that I have checked the content and that it accurately reflects the *current* status of my solution. I am aware that including fabricated or misleading information in my application may lead to the removal of my solution from the Challenge. **(Required) [Not Publicly Viewable: for internal use only]**

Page 2: Your Eligibility

We use the questions below, in addition to the rest of your application, to determine your eligibility for the Challenge. Please be honest in your responses - they may be cross-checked with other application fields and public information.

Is technology a core part of your solution? **(Required)**

We define technology broadly (see more [here](#)). Our definition includes traditional, ancestral, and natural technologies and knowledge systems. That could be plant-based solutions, biodegradable sanitary pads, or solutions that leverage centuries-old irrigation or building techniques.

- Yes, tech is core to our solution.
- No, our solution isn't tech-based or could work without the tech component.

You'll be asked this only for the Global Health Challenge.

Does your solution address a health or healthcare access problem? **(Required)**

- Yes
- No

You'll be asked this only for the Global Climate Challenge.

Does your solution address a climate or environmental problem? **(Required)**

- Yes
- No

You'll be asked this only for the Global Economic Prosperity Challenge.

Does your solution address an economic opportunity or financial inclusion problem? **(Required)**

- Yes
- No



You'll be asked this only for the Global Learning Challenge.

Does your solution address an educational or learning problem? (Required)

- Yes
- No

You'll be asked this only for the Indigenous Communities Fellowship.

Does your solution address a challenge facing Indigenous communities in the United States or Canada? (Required)

- Yes
- No

You'll be asked this question if you are an applicant for the Global Economic Prosperity Challenge, Global Health Challenge, Global Learning Challenge, or Global Climate Challenge.

What is your solution's stage of development? (Required)

Review the definitions below and select the most appropriate stage for your solution. Please note that MIT Solve is not able to support Concept-stage solutions, and therefore Concept-stage solutions will not be reviewed or selected as Solver teams. We hope that you will apply to a future Challenge when your solution is further developed. Be honest about your stage - while we accept solutions across stages, including prototypes and pilots, exaggerating your progress can affect your chances of selection.

- **Concept:** An idea being explored and researched for its feasibility to build a product, service, or business model, including prototypes under development. Until the solution has a functioning prototype, we would still consider it a Concept.
- **Prototype:** An initial working version of a solution that may be in the process of getting initial feedback or testing with users (i.e. running a pilot). If for-profit, a solution that has raised little or no investment capital. Until the solution transitions from testing to consistent availability, we would still consider it a Prototype. (Often 0 users/direct beneficiaries)
- **Pilot:** The solution has been launched in at least one community, but is still iterating on design or business model. If for-profit, is generally working to gain traction and may have completed a fundraising round with investment capital. (Often 10+ users/direct beneficiaries)
- **Growth:** An established solution available in one or more communities with a consistent design and approach, ready for further growth in multiple communities or countries. If for-profit, has generally completed at least one formal investment round (Seed stage or later). If nonprofit, has an established set of donors and/or revenue streams.
- **Scale:** A standard solution operating in many communities or multiple countries and is prepared to scale significantly by improving efficiency. If for-profit, has likely raised at least a Series A investment round.

Please share details about why you selected the stage above. (Required) {Word limit = 200}



What have you built and tested so far? Please focus this answer on what you've accomplished so far, not what you plan to do.

Page 3: Solution & Team Details

Tell us about your solution. You must complete all the required questions and submit your application before the deadline (November 2, 2026, at 12pm (noon) Eastern Time) to be considered for the Challenge. We suggest submitting your application as soon as you complete the required questions so that you don't miss the deadline. You may log back in to add your answers to the optional questions at any time before the deadline.

You'll be asked this question if you are an Indigenous Communities Fellowship applicant.

What is your solution's stage of development? (Required)

Review the definitions below and select the most appropriate stage for your solution. Be honest about your stage - we accept solutions across stages, including early-stage solutions; exaggerating your progress can affect your chances of selection.

- **Concept:** An idea being explored and researched for its feasibility to build a product, service, or business model, including prototypes under development. Until the solution has a functioning prototype, we would still consider it a Concept.
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- **Scale:** A standard solution operating in many communities or multiple countries and is prepared to scale significantly by improving efficiency. If for-profit, has likely raised at least a Series A investment round.

Please share details about why you selected the stage above. (Required) {Word limit = 200}

What have you built and tested so far? Please focus this answer on what you've accomplished so far, not what you plan to do.

How many beneficiaries or customers does your solution currently serve? (Required)

The option you select here will not change your chances of being selected - we accept solutions across stages, including early-stage solutions. Be honest - exaggerating your progress can affect your chances of selection.

- 0
- 1-10
- 11-100
- 101-1,000
- 1,001 - 10,000
- 10,001 - 100,000
- 100,001+

Does your solution have a website, app, or social media handle? (Required)

- Yes
- No

[IF YES] Provide the link(s) here. (Required)

Websites that are consistently unavailable may result in a less competitive application.

[IF NO] Please provide another proof point that your solution is a genuine response to the challenge question. (Required) [Upload type] [Not Publicly Viewable: for internal use only]

Possible proof points may include:

1. A one-minute video demo of your solution
2. Proof of your solution's legal status as an incorporated business or registered nonprofit.
3. An organizational document such as an Memorandum of Understanding with a partner, or report about your solution's implementation/operations.

Which dimension of the Challenge does your solution most closely address? (Required)

Select the dimension to which your solution is most aligned. If your solution is not aligned to any of the listed dimensions, select Other.

The table below sets out the dimensions for each challenge.

Global Economic Prosperity Challenge	• Help individuals, families, or small businesses build financial health and resilience to manage financial obligations and shocks • Create pathways to quality employment and economic opportunity, particularly for young people and workers excluded from formal labor markets as AI and other technologies reshape entry-level work
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	• Expand access to safe, affordable, and climate-resilient housing, especially for vulnerable, informally settled, or displaced populations • Other
Global Health Challenge	• Strengthen continuity of care in the face of outbreaks, climate shocks, conflicts or financing disruptions, including through improved early warnings, interoperability, reliable supply chains or local production • Improve prevention and management of noncommunicable diseases, mental health conditions, or the growing care needs associated with aging • Expand quality primary care to vulnerable communities by supporting frontline health workers or reducing cost, distance, and administrative barriers • Other
Global Learning Challenge	• Strengthen teachers' instructional practice through evidence-grounded tools that augment teachers' judgment and relationships with learners rather than automate them, with a clear case for technology in and around classrooms • Work in emergency or low-resource settings, including low-bandwidth, offline, or low-cost designs, and tools to bolster school- or district-level systems and capacity • Include assistive technology or multilingual capabilities that better support learners with disabilities or learners using non-dominant languages • Improve assessment of what learners truly know and can do, including formative assessment, diagnostics, or early screening that flag when a learner is off-track so a teacher can intervene • Other
Global Climate Challenge	• Shape low-carbon, climate-resilient cities through better construction and retrofitting, inclusive mobility, or more circular materials • Protect people, livelihoods, and essential services from extreme heat, floods, drought, wildfire, or other climate hazards through infrastructure design, resilient water and cooling systems, or risk management approaches

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	• Transform agrifood systems to be climate-resilient, low-emission, or nature-positive, including through stronger regional supply chains • Restore and sustainably use ocean and coastal systems, including fisheries, coastal protection, or renewable energy • Other
Indigenous Communities Fellowship	• Strengthen energy and environmental sovereignty and support stewardship, resilience, or climate adaptation • Develop tools to promote Indigenous sovereignty, including the ethical use of AI and data technologies, culturally aligned digital infrastructure, or access to economic opportunities • Drive positive outcomes for Indigenous communities' learners of any age and context through culturally grounded educational opportunities, including language revitalization or intergenerational connections • Improve the holistic health or life-course outcomes for Indigenous peoples • Other

How are you and your team well-positioned to deliver this solution? (Required) {Word limit = 300}

We aren't looking for your academic or professional credentials here; we would like to see that you and your team have the experience, relationships, data, and knowledge that will enable you to develop and deliver a solution with measurable and sustainable impact. Strong responses will provide specific examples of how you have engaged with the target population, how many people you have engaged, and how these interactions have shaped your solution; and will clearly demonstrate that the design and implementation of your solution is meaningfully guided by the target population's input and ideas.

You'll be asked the following questions if you are an applicant for the Global Economic Prosperity Challenge, Global Health Challenge, Global Learning Challenge, or Global Climate Challenge.

In which countries do you currently operate?

Please select from the picklist. The list in the dropdown menu is sourced from the [World Bank's list of Country and Lending Groups](#). Per the World Bank, note that the term country, as used for purposes of this list, "does not imply political independence but refers to any territory for which authorities report separate social or economic statistics."



Which, if any, additional countries will you be operating in within the next year?

You do not need to re-list the countries where you are currently operating.

You'll be asked the following questions if you are an Indigenous Communities Fellowship applicant.

In which parts of the US and/or Canada do you currently operate?

Which, if any, additional parts of the US or Canada will you be operating in within the next year?

You do not need to re-list the parts of the US and Canada where you are currently operating.

How many people work on your solution team? (Required) {Word limit = 100}

Please provide separate numbers for full-time staff, part-time staff, and contractors or other workers.

How long have you been working on your solution? (Required) {Word limit = 100}

Please provide the number of years you, your team, or your organization have been working on your solution.

Why are you applying to Solve? (Required) {Word limit = 200}

What specific financial, technical, legal, cultural, or market barriers that you face do you hope Solve can help you overcome, and how? Keep in mind: Solve aims to connect all Solver teams with partners who can help advance their solutions through monetary and/or non-monetary support. If your only goal in applying to Solve is to raise funds, Solve is not the right program for you! Review the [Become a Solver page](#) for more information about what selected Solver teams receive.

Who is the Team Lead for your solution? (Required)

Provide their name only. The person you identify should be the CEO or Executive Director of the solution organization. In some special cases, the Team Lead may be another member of the executive team. They should be the person who is responsible for the strategic direction of the solution. If your solution is selected as a Finalist, this person will be expected to pitch the solution and interview with judges in February over Zoom. If your solution is selected as a Solver, this person will be expected to attend Solver Orientation in Cambridge, MA in April and Solve Challenge Finals in New York City in September and to be the lead participant in the Solver program. Pitching and program participation are in English.

Team Lead: Email Address (Required) [Not Publicly Viewable: for internal use only]

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If you are selected as a Finalist, we will contact the team lead to confirm that you wish to continue moving forward in the competition. Because the timeline for confirmation is very short, please provide your contact details here to ensure that we can reach you or someone else on your team. Be sure to watch your email for a message from us in early February 2027.

Team Lead: Phone Number (including country code) (Required) [Not Publicly Viewable: for internal use only]

Backup Contact: Name [Not Publicly Viewable: for internal use only]

Backup Contact: Email Address [Not Publicly Viewable: for internal use only]

Backup Contact: Phone Number (including country code) [Not Publicly Viewable: for internal use only]

You'll be asked this only for the Indigenous Communities Fellowship.

Please indicate the tribal affiliation of your Team Lead.

If no tribal affiliation, please write in 'None'.

How is your Team Lead connected to the community or communities in which your project is based?

(Required)

Is the Team Lead a resident of the United States? (Required) [Not Publicly Viewable: for internal use only]

We ask this question about your Team Lead to better understand our applicant pool and to fulfill some of our grant reporting requirements.

- Yes
- No
- Prefer not to answer

[IF YES] What is the Team Lead's race or ethnic group? Mark all that apply.

(Required) [Not Publicly Viewable: for internal use only]

We ask this question about your Team Lead to better understand our applicant pool and to fulfill some of our grant reporting requirements.

- ☐ American Indian or Alaska Native
- ☐ Asian
- ☐ Black or African American
- ☐ Hispanic or Latino



- ☐ Middle Eastern or North African
- ☐ Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander
- ☐ White
- ☐ Prefer not to answer

What is the Team Lead's gender? (Required) [Not Publicly Viewable: for internal use only]

We ask this question about your Team Lead to better understand our applicant pool and to fulfill some of our grant reporting requirements.

- Gender
- Genderqueer/Gender Fluid/Non-Binary
- Man
- Unsure/Questioning
- Woman
- Prefer Not to Answer
- Prefer to write in:

Is the Team Lead transgender? (Required) [Not Publicly Viewable: for internal use only]

We ask this question about your Team Lead to better understand our applicant pool and to fulfill some of our grant reporting requirements.

- Yes
- No
- Unsure/Questioning
- Prefer Not to Answer

Have you or someone else from your organization ever been selected as a Solver for an MIT Solve Challenge (Global or Custom) or for the Indigenous Communities Fellowship? (Required) [Not Publicly Viewable: for internal use only]

- Yes
- No

[IF YES] Explain what makes your solution different from when you or your organization was previously selected. (Required) {Word limit = 200} [Not Publicly Viewable: for internal use only]

If you or your organization has been selected as a Solver or for the Indigenous Communities Fellowship in the past, you may still apply, but your solution must be new – it may not be the same solution that was previously selected by Solve. Use this space to explain how this solution is different from last time.

Is your solution an active or past participant in another entrepreneurship network? (Required) [Not Publicly Viewable: for internal use only]

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Entrepreneurship networks are business incubators, accelerators, venture capital programs, or fellowship programs that aim to help you grow your solution. This has no impact on the evaluation of your solution.

- Yes, this solution is already (or has been in the past) a part of other networks
- No, Solve is the first network joined

[IF YES] Please share the names of the other entrepreneurship networks. *[Not Publicly Viewable: for internal use only]*

Did you take the MITx course “[Business and Impact Planning for Social Enterprises?](#)” *(Required) [Not Publicly Viewable: for internal use only]*

You do not need to take the [MITx course](#) to apply to Solve. This question helps us understand whether the course is a useful resource for applicants.

- Yes, I completed the entire course
- Yes, I completed part of the course
- No, I didn't take the course

Did you hear about Solve through a network/mailling list? *(Required) [Not Publicly Viewable: for internal use only]*

- Yes
- No

[IF YES] What was the name of the network/mailling list through which you heard about Solve. *{Word Limit = 20} [Not Publicly Viewable: for internal use only]*

Page 4: More About Your Solution and Business Model

What makes your solution innovative? *{Word limit = 300}*

Describe how your solution approaches the problem in a new or significantly improved way. How is it distinct from others using a similar technology or approach? How could it catalyze broader positive impacts from others in this space? How could it change the market/landscape?

Describe in simple terms how and why you expect your solution to have an impact on the problem. *{Word limit = 300}*

Tell us about your theory of change or logical framework, and it should link your solution's activities to immediate outputs and longer-term outcomes for your target population. In addition to illustrating logical links between your solution's activities, outputs, and outcomes, a strong theory of change provides evidence to support the existence and strength of those links, such as third-party research, findings from a process or impact evaluation, data from interviews with



your target population, etc. If you're unsure how to answer this question, start by following [these guidelines](#) or [enroll in our online course](#).

Describe your solution's tech stack and how you know that it works. {Word limit = 300}

We define technology broadly as the application of science and evidence-based knowledge to the practical aims of human life. We welcome solutions that are using apps, SMS technology, software, AI, robots, drones, blockchain, and virtual reality, and what you might commonly think of as technology in this modern era! We also welcome solutions that are leveraging traditional, ancestral, and natural technologies and knowledge systems. For new technology, please provide proof that it works in the form of an academic paper or some other form of publicly available evidence.

Please select the technologies currently used in your solution:

- Ancestral Technology & Practices
- Audiovisual Media
- Behavioral Technology
- Big Data
- Biomimicry
- Biotechnology / Bioengineering
- Blockchain
- Crowd Sourced Service / Social Networks
- Generative AI
- GIS and Geospatial Technology
- Imaging and Sensor Technology
- Internet of Things
- Machine Learning
- Manufacturing Technology
- Materials Science
- Robotics and Drones
- SMS / USSD / IVR Technologies
- Software and Mobile Applications
- Energy Technologies
- Virtual Reality / Augmented Reality
- Other

What is your business model? {Word limit = 300}

Your business model describes how you provide value to the populations you serve. Think about your key customers and beneficiaries. What products or services do you provide them? How do you provide these products or services? Why do they want or need them? If you're unsure how to answer this, start by completing the [Social Business Model Canvas](#) or [enroll in our online course](#).



Do you primarily provide products or services directly to individuals, to other organizations, or to the government?

- *Individual consumers or stakeholders (B2C)*
- *Organizations (B2B)*
- *Government (B2G)*

What is your plan for becoming financially sustainable, and what evidence can you provide that this plan has been successful? {Word limit = 300}

Explain how you are bringing/will bring in money to fund your work, whether through sustained donations and grants, selling products or services, service contracts to governments, raising investment capital, or a combination of all. In the long term, your revenue streams should cover your expected expenses. To see some examples, take a look at these [common revenue models](#).

Also, provide examples of how your plans to fund your work have been successful to date: examples may include grants that you have received, revenue you have generated, or investment funding you have raised. We understand that some financial information may not be shareable, but any specifics you can provide (such as funder names or monetary amounts) is helpful to the judges as they assess the potential for success of your solution.