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AREF PROJECT COMMITTEE

1st CALL FOR PROJECTS OF A CIVIC OR HUMANITARIAN NATURE FOR 2024

Dear AREF members,

Once again this year, AREF will be awarding grants for projects of a humanitarian or civic nature. This grant program enables AREF to contribute to the realization of individual or collective projects of a social, cultural or intellectual nature originating from our members. The available budget is \$30,000, of which \$7,500 is earmarked for projects with an international scope.

New this year: there will be two calls for projects for each year. This new approach is based on the experience of the last two years. When the June calls for projects in 2021 and 2022 failed to allocate the full budget for this grant program, the committee issued a second call for projects in February 2022 and 2023, enabling the entire budget to be used*. The committee believed that this situation was due – among other things – to the fact the deadline in December for the call made in June of one year was too early to plan activities in the fall of the following year, particularly in the school sector.

The details of how the budget will be divided between the two calls have not yet been determined, and will be communicated to you in the coming weeks. However, we can already tell you the following:

- part of the annual budget will be reserved for projects submitted under the second call, while ensuring that the entire annual budget is allocated;
- **for international projects, the committee would like to receive them during the first call for projects.**

As part of this **first call for projects to be carried out in 2024**, you are invited to submit a grant application for a **local, regional, national or international project by December 31, 2023.**

The [grant policy and submission form](#) are available on the AREF website.

* You will find the [committee's report](#) on the years 2022 and 2023 on the AREF website. This report was presented at the AGM last May.

We look forward to receiving your proposals,

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