

Defender's assistance form



The South Caucasus Network of Human Rights Defenders

The *South Caucasus Network of Human Rights Defenders* unites 30 organizations in Armenia, Azerbaijan and Georgia and aims to facilitate creation of safer and enabling environment for human rights defenders in these countries.

The Network provides legal, physiological, medical support to Human Rights Defenders who are under threat, attack, detention, prosecution, or otherwise at immediate risk due to government or third party repression. In critical situations the Network also provides finances and other assistance for immediate evacuation and temporary residence of the defender in a safer country and/or helps the defender to seek asylum in that country.

The Network will only provide assistance to individuals and groups, who do not promote violence, advocate for or engage in human rights violations.

Grant requests may be made by the defender at risk or other organization/individual directly to the country coordinator organizations of the *South Caucasus Network of Human Rights Defenders*.

Applications in English or Russian are proffered.

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Complete applications and requests for information should be submitted via e-mail at: ana@hridc.org and cc-ed the country coordinator and the project manager Ane Tusvik Bonde at ane.bonde@humanrightshouse.org

Please indicate in the subject line: assistance to defenders

INFORMATION ABOUT THE DEFENDER

PLEASE WRITE **CONFIDENTIAL** AT THE BEGINNING OF THIS SECTION IF THE INFORMATION PROVIDED MUST BE KEPT CONFIDENTIAL FROM THIRD PARTIES. (Please also indicate the reason for confidentiality)

Please provide the following information about the defender who needs assistance:

Last Name	First	Middle
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Passport details (number, date of issue, date of expiry, issuing authority)

Nationality and Country of Residence

Address

Organization (if applicable):

Date of Birth (Month/Date/Year): _____

Email (if applicable): _____ Telephone (if applicable): _____

Please answer the following questions to the best of your ability in the space provided below or on a separate sheet should you require additional space.

Please type or block print your answers.

What kind of work has the defender done to advance human rights?

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In what way is the situation the defender is currently facing linked to the defender's work in human rights field?

EMERGENCY - Please describe the threat to the defender, where it comes from and why the need for funding is urgent.

How will funding help the defender to continue his/her work in human rights?

Has the defender received funds from another organization in response to this threat? YES NO
If yes, please provide the amount and name of the funding organization.

Name of Organization:

Type and Amount of Funding Received:

ASSISTANCE REQUESTED FROM THE NETWORK

TYPE, AMOUNT, DURATION AND PURPOSE OF ASSISTANCE REQUESTED:

Please fill out the type of assistance requested, the amount, and how the funds will be used. If requesting more than one form of assistance please provide the total amount at the bottom of this sheet.

Please provide as much detail as possible on costs and types of services/requests.

AMOUNT

Legal Assistance;

When available, please provide the name and contact information of lawyer:

Please provide a detailed list of all legal fees, including the lawyer's rates and expected duration of fees:

Total Requested Assistance for Legal Costs: _____

(currency)

Temporary Relocation;

Please provide a detailed list of all the relocation expenses, associated costs and expected duration:

Total Requested Assistance for Temporary Relocation: _____

(currency)

Medical and psychological Expenses;

Please provide a detailed list of the type of medical and psychological services and a breakdown of costs for each treatment:

Total Requested Assistance for Medical Expenses: _____

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Other

Type:

Purpose:

_____ (currency)

Total Requested Assistance for Other Costs:

TOTAL:	(currency)
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What is the best method to disburse funds? In answering, please identify potential obstacles in transferring the funds such as local laws and practices, and ways to limit further harm to the defender and/or those helping in the transfer.

Referees

PREFERABLY REFEREES SHOULD BE INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS OR NETWORK MEMBER ORGANIZATIONS, ALTERNATIVELY THEY COULD ALSO BE WELL-KNOWN AND REPUTABLE LOCAL ORGANIZATIONS (NGOs, law firms, lawyers, etc.)

FIRST REFERENCE:

Organization:

Contact Person:

Address:

Email:

Phone Number:

SECOND REFERENCE:

Organization:

Contact Person:

Address:

Email:

Phone Number:

THIRD REFERENCE:

Organization:

Contact Person:

Address:

Email:

Phone Number:

Additional Materials: When available, please provide supporting documentation of the defender’s case and requests for assistance. Forms of documentation may include, but are not limited to: newspaper articles, pictures, court documents, medical bills, legal bills, etc.