



## Rise Up Leader Selection Criteria Kenya 2026 Cohort

Thank you for your interest in applying to become a Rise Up Leader in Kenya!

### Eligible candidates must meet the following selection criteria:

- Civil society leaders who are at least 18 years of age at the time of the training in November 2026.
- Currently works in Kajiado, Narok, Machakos, Makueni, Kiambu, and/or Nairobi Counties.
- Has a personal interest and current commitment to promoting gender equity broadly in the four priority areas of health, education, economic opportunity, and climate solutions for women, girls, and gender-nonconforming people. While leaders working across all four issue areas are encouraged to apply, this cohort will place particular emphasis on education-focused advocacy and leadership, reflecting a strategic priority within the program.
- Represents or works closely with marginalized groups from socially or economically marginalized communities, women and girls with disabilities, ethnic and/or religious minorities, and other historically disadvantaged populations.
- Ability to participate in an in-person training from November 2-7, 2026, with some virtual sessions pre- and post-workshop. Please note that Rise Up Together will cover all costs related to program participation, including transportation, lodging, food, and materials.
- Currently works at a non-profit organization, civil society organization, media organization, or government organization at a level of coordination or management and has some level of decision-making power.
- Has the support of their organization's leadership to participate in Rise Up Together's Leadership and Advocacy Accelerator training.
- **To be eligible for a grant, Rise Up Together requires organizations to be legally registered in-country and set up to receive international funds.** Entities that are not registered can be sponsored by another financial entity or fiscal sponsor. **Note: Government organizations are not eligible to receive grants through this program.**
- Proficient in oral and written English.

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