# **NWOYA CHARITY FOUNDATION (NCF)**





# LOGISTIC & PROCUREMENT POLICY

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Transforming Lives, Giving Hope through ensuring that procurement of all goods, services and works is conducted in a transparent, fair, accountable, and cost-effective manner

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# **ACRONYMS / ABBREVIATION**

NCF - Nwoya Charity Foundation

RFQ - Request for Quotation

PO - Purchase Order



## NWOYA CHARITY FOUNDATION (NCF) STANDARD:

#### STRATEGIC VISION, MISSION, VALUES AND OBJECTIVES

#### VISION

We envision empowered vulnerable communities in Northern Uganda to thrive sustainably through holistic development, fostering resilience, dignity and self-reliance.

#### MISSION STATEMENT

To improve the socio-economic well-being of vulnerable and underserved populations in Northern Uganda by providing support in Education, Health, Livelihoods, Economic Empowerment and Social Justice through community-driven initiatives.

### NCF VALUES

As Nwoya Charity Foundation, we STRONGLY value INTEGRITY, EMPATHY, COLLABORTION, RESILIENCE, INCLUSIVITY, TRANSPARENCY &

**ACCOUNTABILITY** in our actions and work with community and stakeholders. We value respect for people we serve, their effective participation and the empowerment of individuals and communities.

#### STRATEGIC OBJECTIVE

- To strengthen the livelihoods through vocational training, skills development, and income generating activities
- To improve access to quality healthcare services especially for women, children and elderly.
- To plan, design and implement programs to promote quality education for girls and boys.
- To provide legal support and counselling to survivors of Gender Based Violence.
- To support and encourage sustainable environmental practices through reforestation, Agroforestry and renewable energy projects.

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#### 1. Introduction

Nwoya Charity Foundation (NCF) is committed to ensuring that all procurement of goods, services, and works is conducted in a transparent, fair, accountable, and cost-effective manner that supports the achievement of our organizational goals and maximizes value for money.

## 2. Policy Purpose

The purpose of this Procurement Policy is to:

- Provide clear guidelines for purchasing activities.
- Ensure integrity, fairness, and transparency in procurement processes.
- Promote competition and ensure the best value for money.
- Mitigate the risk of fraud, corruption, or conflicts of interest.

## 3. Policy Scope

This policy applies to:

- Procurement of goods, services, and works funded by NCF's own resources, donors, or other partners.
- All NCF departments, projects, field offices, and staff, including consultants and contractors involved in procurement activities.

## 4. Logistics & Procurement Principles

NCF procurement activities shall adhere to the following principles:

| Principle                | Explanation   |  |  |  |
|--------------------------|---|--|--|--|
| Transparency             | Procurement processes must be open, documented, and available for review. |  |  |  |
| Fairness and Competition | All suppliers must be treated equally; competition should be encouraged.  |  |  |  |
| Value for Money          | The best combination of quality, price, and service should be sought.     |  |  |  |
| Accountability           | Procurement decisions must be justified and documented.                   |  |  |  |
| <b>Ethical Behavior</b>  | Staff must avoid conflicts of interest, bribery, and unethical conduct.   |  |  |  |

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## 5. Procurement Methods

| <b>Procurement Value</b> | Method                 | Details                        |  |
|--------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------------|--|
| Below UGX [e.g.,         | Direct Purchase        | Select supplier based on known |  |
| 500,000]                 |                        | reliability.                   |  |
| UGX [500,001] -          | Request for Quotations | Minimum 3 written quotations   |  |
| [5,000,000]              | (RFQ)                  | required.                      |  |
| Above UGX [5,000,000]    | Competitive            | Open or restricted tendering   |  |
|                          | Bidding/Tendering      | process.                       |  |

Thresholds to be adapted based on organizational/donor regulations.

#### 6. Procurement Process

#### 6.1. Needs Identification

 Departments submit procurement requests with clear specifications and budget approval.

#### 6.2. Authorization

- All procurements must be authorized according to the NCF Authorization Matrix
- No procurement shall be made without prior approval.

#### 6.3. Solicitation and Evaluation

- Solicit bids/quotations or issue tender documents.
- Evaluation shall be based on pre-set criteria: price, quality, delivery time, after-sales service, etc.
- Selection must be documented and justifiable.

#### 6.4. Purchase order / contract

 Issue a formal Purchase Order (PO) or Contract Agreement to the selected supplier before delivery.

#### 6.5. Receipt and Inspection

 Goods/services must be inspected upon receipt to ensure compliance with specifications.

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#### 6.6. Payment

 Payments are made after confirmation of satisfactory delivery and approval by the authorized officer.

## 7. Supplier Management

- Suppliers must be selected based on their reliability, capacity, quality, price, and compliance with ethical standards.
- NCF shall maintain an approved supplier/vendor list reviewed annually.
- Suppliers must sign NCF's Supplier Code of Conduct agreeing to ethical standards.

#### 8. Conflict of Interest

- Employees involved in procurement must declare any real or potential conflict of interest.
- Staff must not participate in procurement decisions where they have a personal, financial, or familial interest.

## 9. Emergency Procurement

 In urgent cases (e.g., disaster response), procurement may bypass regular procedures but must still ensure accountability, documentation, and later justification.

## 10. Documentation & Record Keeping

- All procurement documents (requisitions, bids, evaluation reports, POs, contracts, invoices, receipts) must be properly filed and maintained for at least 5 years.
- Procurement records must be available for audits and reviews.

## 11. MONITORING, COMPLIANCE, AND AUDIT

- Internal and/or external audits shall be conducted periodically to review procurement practices.
- Violations of this policy may result in disciplinary actions, up to and including dismissal and legal action.

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## 12. Policy Review

This policy shall be reviewed **every two years** or earlier if there are major changes in funding agency rules, government regulations, or organizational needs.

| Authoriza                       | tion: |        |      |      |    |               |  |  |  |  |
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