

Request for Proposals (RFP)

Strengthening Community-Level Disaster Preparedness in Climate-Vulnerable Regions

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1. Introduction and Background

The Civic Literacy Initiative (CLI) works to improve environmental resilience and public health in climate-vulnerable regions. Climate-related disasters -- floods, droughts, extreme heat events -- disproportionately affect communities with limited access to health facilities, emergency shelters, and transport infrastructure. While national-level risk assessments exist, they lack the granularity needed to inform preparedness planning at the community level.

CLI's field staff possess deep expertise in the regions where they operate, but the organisation currently lacks the technical capacity to systematically complement that expertise with data analysis and modern tools. CLI believes that data-driven approaches, supported by AI, can help confirm and enrich the knowledge of field teams, improve the allocation of preparedness resources, and enable more consistent planning across regions.

This RFP seeks proposals for a project that would strengthen CLI's ability to anticipate and prepare for climate-related disasters at the community level.

2. Objective

The objective of this RFP is to solicit proposals for strengthening CLI's disaster preparedness planning by complementing the expertise of field staff with data-driven approaches. Proposals should describe how data analysis and geospatial tools can be used to confirm and enrich existing local knowledge about community-level risk, infrastructure gaps, and population vulnerability -- and how AI tools can make this work more efficient and scalable.

3. Scope of Work

Proposals should address the following key areas:

- **Preparedness assessment:** Propose an approach to confirm and complement field-level expertise on community vulnerability using data, including population distribution, infrastructure coverage, and exposure to climate-related hazards.
- **Approach and methodology:** Describe how the proposed project would be carried out, including how data would be used to support and enrich existing assessments.
- **Use of AI:** Indicate how AI tools could inform the work, improve efficiency, or support monitoring and scalability.
- **Adaptability:** Explain how the proposed approach could be adapted to other regions facing similar challenges.

4. Proposal Requirements

Proposals must include the following components:

- **Project description:** The selected region, the specific disaster risks addressed, the populations of focus, and the proposed approach.
- **Methodology:** An outline of the proposed methodology, including how data will be used to support the project's objectives.

- **Use of technology:** A description of how AI and other tools would support project delivery, including any considerations around reliability.
- **Implementation roadmap:** A high-level plan including necessary resources, potential partners, estimated budget, and timeline.

5. Evaluation Criteria

Proposals will be evaluated based on the following criteria:

- **Relevance and innovation:** Alignment with RFP objectives and the quality of the proposed approach.
- **Data-driven approach:** How effectively the proposal uses data to identify needs and support decisions.
- **Use of technology:** The clarity and realism of how AI and other tools are integrated into the project.
- **Feasibility and impact:** The practicality of the implementation plan and the potential impact on disaster preparedness.
- **Scalability and adaptability:** The potential for the approach to be applied in other regions.

6. Timeline

Proposal Submission Deadline	May 16th, 2026
Evaluation Period	May 18th to June 15th, 2026
Award Notification	June 2026
Project Start Date	September 2026

7. Submission Guidelines

Proposals should be submitted electronically to rfp@civilliteraci.es by May 16th, 2026. All submissions must adhere to the proposal requirements outlined in this RFP. Late submissions will not be considered.

8. Questions

All inquiries related to this RFP should be directed to Cedric Lombion at cedric@civilliteraci.es. Questions will be accepted until April 25th, 2026.