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FOR YOUNG AFRICAN LEADERS

# Alumni Opportunities

Fellowship Alumni form a vibrant network of young African leaders with the skills and motivation to spur growth and prosperity, strengthen democratic governance, and enhance peace and security across Africa. Through Fellowship-funded and affiliated opportunities, they continue to build on the skills and connections developed during their programs.

## Leveraging Innovations in New Communities (LINC) Grants

LINC Grants provide Alumni with collaboration funding that allow Alumni from all cohort years, sectors, and regions to complete in-person or hybrid projects with one another's organizations or communities and learn from each other's best practices and expertise.

## Reciprocal Exchanges

The Reciprocal Exchange component provides opportunities for U.S. professionals to continue collaborating with Alumni. Through joint projects, they form lasting partnerships, expand markets and networks, and increase mutual understanding between the United States and countries in Sub-Saharan Africa.

## Leadership Impact Award

The annual Leadership Impact Award (LIA) celebrates the individual achievements of an outstanding member of the Fellowship Alumni Network. Selected based on their record of servant leadership and Fellowship advocacy, LIA recipients are featured in various Fellowship activities throughout their award year.



## Alumni Professional Development Experience

Alumni who have not previously participated in a Professional Development Experience (PDE) may apply for a six-week opportunity to hone their professional skills and connect with U.S. professionals working in their industries through a flexible, accessible, and robust virtual placement.

## Catalyst Grant

Through a partnership with D-Prize, a nonprofit organization that works to distribute and scale proven technologies to benefit people in extreme poverty, up to five Fellows will receive grants of up to US\$20,000 each to fund new social ventures or initiatives. Alumni may apply annually through an open competition.



## Want to learn more?

Scan this QR code or visit our website at [mwfellows.info/alumni](https://mwfellows.info/alumni) to find out more about these and other opportunities for Alumni from the Fellowship, the U.S. Department of State, and our partners.

## Other Opportunities

- Mandela Day Service Grants
- Knowledge Networks
- Level-Up Chats
- Virtual Engagement

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