



## Southern Africa Love Alliance National & Strategic Grants 2024/25 Update

## Background

The <u>Love Alliance</u> is a strategic partnership between the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Netherlands, <u>Aidsfonds</u>, <u>UHAI EASHRI</u>, <u>ISDAO</u>, <u>GALZ</u>, <u>Sisonke</u>, <u>SANPUD</u>, <u>GNP+</u> and <u>ARASA</u> as a grant-making partner for Southern Africa. The Love Alliance runs from 2021-2025 with a focus on advocacy on HIV and sexual and reproductive health and rights for sex workers, people who use drugs (PWUD), and LGBTIQ+ people, including people living with HIV.

In November 2023, ARASA published calls for National and Strategic Grant Proposals for 2024-2025 specifically for organisations working in **Southern Africa** in at least one of the following countries **Mozambique**, **South Africa**, and **Zimbabwe** under Love Alliance.

## Update on the selection process

ARASA would like to extend its appreciation to all partners who applied for the Southern Africa Love Alliance grants for 2024-2025. The response we received was truly overwhelming, for both the National and Strategic grants.

Our Regional Grants Committee is diligently evaluating every application to ensure that each proposal receives the attention it deserves. We remain committed to a thorough and fair review process. It is very unfortunate that we missed our timelines for the selection process. It is regrettable that we are unable to provide a conclusive date at this moment, however, we anticipate notifying successful applicants by the end of May 2024. We understand the anticipation and anxiety that this may bring, and we appreciate your patience as we continue with our meticulous review process. Be rest assured that we are working tirelessly to finalise the process.

Thank you for your understanding and continued support.

