The **Social Responsibility Agreement** is a critical component of the Education and Entrepreneurship Grants Programme and is intended to foster volunteerism by beneficiaries. Recipients will be required to perform at least thirty (30) hours of community service.

Community Service can be done at any of the organizations listed below:
- Salvation Army
- Missionaries of the Poor
- Jamaica Red Cross
- Golden Age Home/ Children’s Home
- Infirmarys
- Basic Schools
- Public Hospitals
- Public Libraries
- Church/School Feeding Programme

All Entrepreneurship beneficiaries will be subjected to regular monitoring and evaluation to ensure proper use of funds allocated. This will be done through the Ministry of Labour and Social Security Local Office or the Social Intervention Programme Unit.

**The Social Responsibility Activity MUST be completed and the form signed, stamped and dated BEFORE the grant is disbursed.**

For more information contact:
Social Intervention Programme (SIP) Unit
At
The Ministry of Labour & Social Security
1F North Street, Kingston
922-9500-14

OR
The Ministry of Labour and Social Security
Office in your parish.
The Education and Entrepreneurship Grant Programme (E & EGP) is an initiative of the Ministry of Labour and Social Security (MLSS) and is incorporated under the Social Intervention Programme (SIP).

The E & EGP provides an excellent opportunity to obtain financial assistance in the form of a GRANT which will allow beneficiaries to gain a sense of independence through Education or Entrepreneurship.

**Requirements for the Education Grant**
- One (1) passport size photograph
- A valid form of identification (National ID, Drivers Licence or Passport)
- TRN and NIS Cards
- Birth Certificate
- Letters of Recommendation (from JP, Minister of Religion etc)
- Acceptance letter from institution outlining course being pursued or continued.
- Official Transcript reflecting GPA (From Tertiary institution)
- Invoice / Voucher from Institution
- Receipt for any amount paid
- Letter from Students’ Loan Bureau (if applicable)
- Qualification (CSEC ,CAPE , Diploma, HEART Certificate, School Leaving Certificate etc.)

**Education Grants – Timeline**
Applications for the Education Grants should be submitted in a timely manner to allow processing of the request by the Grants Committee in advance of the institution’s deadline.

**Areas available for Educational Assistance**
- **JFLL** – basic or remedial level
- **CSEC** (i) returning to school to re-sit subjects.  
(ii) pursuing additional subjects.  
(iii) pursuing the subject (s) through an evening / private institution.
- **CAPE** (i) Sixth Form students (Units 1&2) at Government High Schools.  
(ii) Private Institutions /Community Colleges.
- **Tertiary** (i) Short Courses.  
(not exceeding 24 months).  
(ii) Persons in their final year of University/College.
- **Discretionary Grants** will be considered and MAY be awarded to persons with extenuating circumstances pending the outcome of an investigation.

**N. B. Practical Nursing will not be considered.**

**Areas available for Entrepreneurship**
- Manufacturing—Carpentry, leather craft, food processing, graphic designing
- **Trading**—Grocery
- **Agriculture**—Chicken rearing, cash crops, pig rearing, ornamental fish rearing, bee keeping
- **Car Wash**
- Cosmetology
- **Dressmaking**, Tailoring, Upholstering

**Applicants MUST be between the ages of 16-35 years old**

**Requirements for Entrepreneurship Grant**
- One (1) Passport size photograph
- A valid form of identification (National ID, Drivers Licence or Passport)
- TRN and NIS Cards
- Letters of Recommendation (from JP, Minister of Religion etc)
- Invoice outlining cost of entrepreneurial activity
- Permission Letter for use of the land (if applicable)
- Business Proposal
- Qualifications (CSEC, CAPE, Diploma, HEART Certificate, School Leaving Certificate, Certificate of Expertise etc.)
- Evidence of compliance with relevant regulations (e.g. Food Handlers, Fishing)

**Applicants MUST be between the ages of 18-40 years old**