

The ArbitrumDAO boasts an impressive treasury, consisting of 35% of all ARB tokens and all revenues from Arbitrum One and Nova. This means if you have a worthy idea, not only can you bring it to life, but you can also secure funding for it.

You may be one proposal away from a side gig, a full time role, or a startup that begins its life by serving the ArbitrumDAO.

Proposal Lifecycle

The forum acts as a public platform to facilitate discussion on proposals between the authors, community, and the delegates.

It is up to you to prepare a proposal, post it to the forum, and convince the delegates to vote for it.

Let's find out how that works.

- Drafting the Proposal:

Start by preparing a 1-2 page proposal. You can either:

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- Community Feedback:

Once ready, post your proposal on the forum to initiate a feedback period.

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- Temperature Check:

Seek a delegate who can post your proposal on Snapshot for a preliminary ~7 day check.

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- Preparing Final Proposal:

Collect all the feedback gathered to date into a single proposal and be prepared to submit it to the final vote.

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- Contact Arbitrum Foundation.

Find out more about any steps that need to be completed, especially if the proposal is seeking funds from the ArbitrumDAO's treasury.

- Contact compliance@arbitrum.foundation to complete KYC/KYB.
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- Final Voting:

After incorporating feedback, if you believe your proposal stands a chance.

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- Outcome:

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Proposal Considerations

To give your proposal the best shot of being accepted by the delegates, you may want to consider the following:

- Objective and Rationale.
- Why is this proposal important for the community?
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- Implementation plan.
- How will you ensure the proposal achieves its goal?
- Do you have a step by step plan or a set of milestones?
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- Engagement with ArbitrumDAO.
- How do you plan to keep the ArbitrumDAO updated about the project's progression?
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Remember, once a proposal is passed by the ArbitrumDAO, the community has endorsed and approved your proposal. The delegates are now your biggest supporters and it is best to consider how to leverage such a community to help you achieve your intended outcome and make sure the project is a success.

We are all in this together.

If the proposal requires involvement from the Arbitrum Foundation, in any way, then we recommend contacting [@stonecoldpat](#), [@cliffon.eth](#), [@raam](#) or email compliance@arbitrum.foundation. The Arbitrum Foundation does not endorse any pending proposals, but it is always willing to help when needed and to operationally support proposals passed by the ArbitrumDAO.