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AHO Tenancy Plus Grant

Funding Provider
Aboriginal Housing Office (NSW)

Location
NSW

Funding Type
Cash Grant G15509

Primary Category
Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander peoples

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$20,000

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The AHO Tenancy Plus Grant rewards eligible long-term AHO tenants with a higher rate of co-contribution towards their house deposit.

Overview

This is a financial grant that rewards eligible long-term AHO tenants with a higher rate of co-contribution towards their house deposit.

Grant Amount: Up to $20,000

For an application form, send an email to homeownership@aho.nsw.gov.au

Limitations

Eligibility:

This grant is open to Aboriginal people who are in the process of buying a home. Applications open to social housing tenants.

To be eligible for the AHO Tenancy Plus Grant you must be an Aboriginal person who:

- has a maximum individual/ combined annual income of up to $200,000
- has saved at least $1,000 toward a deposit
- currently lives in NSW and is purchasing a property in NSW
- does not currently own residential property (with the exception of land)
- has not qualified for Indigenous Business Australia (IBA) Remote Indigenous Home Loan package.

The main applicant must be Aboriginal and take on at least 25% ownership of the property being purchased.

The AHO tenant must also have:

- been listed as head tenant for five years or more
- not had rental or water arrears over $500 within the last five years
- taken care of the property
- not had a negative result from the NSW Civil and Administrative Tribunal (NCAT)
- not been responsible for any confirmed anti-social behaviour incidents.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Email
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G15509/info
Email: homeownership@aho.nsw.gov.au

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Aboriginal Affairs Cultural Grants Program

Funding Provider
Aboriginal Affairs NSW

Location
NSW

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19533

Primary Category
Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander peoples

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Business
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
Amount: $1,000 to $20,000
Total Pool: $1,500,000

Rounds
Closes **31 Mar 2026**

Purpose

The Cultural Grants Program support Aboriginal community organisations and groups across NSW to celebrate Aboriginal culture and hold cultural events and activities.

Overview

The AANSW Cultural Grants Program:

- Supports Aboriginal communities to strengthen, protect and maintain traditional and contemporary expressions of Aboriginal culture
- Supports Aboriginal cultural events and activities
- Contributes to Aboriginal community wellbeing and healing through Aboriginal culture and community connection
- Supports sharing of Aboriginal cultural knowledge and skills between generations.

Limitations

To be eligible for funding, applicants must be one of the following:

1. A not-for-profit organisation, and one of the following:
    - An Aboriginal Community Controlled Organisation (ACCO)
    - An Aboriginal not-for-profit organisation
2. An unincorporated Aboriginal community group with an eligible Auspice
3. An Aboriginal Sole Trader or Business whose primary business activity relates to cultural expression or revitalisation

Applicants or their Auspice must also:

1. Be a legal entity located in NSW or in a bordering community that delivers services to Aboriginal communities in NSW
2. Propose a project to be delivered in NSW
3. Have public liability of at least $10 million per claim (or be willing to purchase as part of the application to support the project)
4. Have no outstanding requirements relating to previous funding from AANSW

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19533/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19533/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19533/apply
Email: grants@aboriginalaffairs.nsw.gov.au

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Aboriginal Benefits Foundation Grants

Funding Provider
Aboriginal Benefits Foundation

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19820

Primary Category
Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander peoples

Eligible to
Not-for-Profit
DGR Required

Funding
Amount: $500 (approx) to $5,000 (approx)
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **27 Mar 2026**

Purpose

The Foundation provides grants to assist Aboriginal communities and individuals by providing funds to support projects which advance the aims of the Foundation, with the current focus on supporting art, literacy, education, health and cultural projects with a connection to Aboriginal art and/or artists.

Overview

In view of the limited resources available to the Foundation, priority for funding is being given to the following categories:

1. **Seeding grants**:
   - to research the relevance and value of new projects with a connection to Aboriginal art and/or artists - preference is given to small and intermediate sized projects that may be ineligible for support from other organisations
   - to facilitate schemes or projects with a connection to Aboriginal art and/or artists which are of benefit to Aboriginal health, welfare or education which have potential for wider application.
2. **One-off grants** in support of:
   - health and well being of artists and their families
   - education through art projects which will benefit health and well being
   - individuals and communities, with a connection to Aboriginal art and/or artists, to meet special needs

The Foundation will usually fund projects between $500 to a limit of $5,000.

Limitations

The ABF only supports organisations or companies endorsed as a “Deductible Gift Recipient” (DGR).

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Mail, Email
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19820/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19820/apply
Website: https://aboriginal.org.au/contact/ **Email:** theaboriginalbenefitsfoundationtrust@apspuf.com.au

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Aboriginal Community-Controlled Organisations (ACCO) Establishment and Expansion Fund

Funding Provider
Health and Community Services Directorate (ACT)

Location
ACT

Funding Type
Cash Grant G16919

Primary Category
Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander peoples

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Business

Funding
$150,000

Rounds
Closes **30 Jun 2026**

Last Round
Closed **30 Jun 2025**

Purpose

The AEEF aims to support new and existing ACT ACCOs to build organisational capacity and capability to improve outcomes for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people across Canberra.

Overview

The AEEF is designed to support the growth and sustainability of new and existing ACT ACCOs, consistent with the ACT Government commitments under the National Agreement on Closing the Gap Priority Reform 2: Building the community-controlled sector and the ACT Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Agreement 2019-2028.

This grant is for new and existing Aboriginal Community-Controlled Organisations who provide culturally appropriate human services to the ACT Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community.

What is available:

- A grant of up to $15,000 in the Start Up tier.
- A grant of up to $150,000 in the Establishment tier.
- A grant of up to $100,000 in the Development tier.
- A grant of up to $50,000 in the Growth tier.

Limitations

Organisations can apply if they are delivering human services in the ACT and meet Clause 44 of the National Agreement on Closing the Gap, or if they are a partnership or collaboration being led by an ACCO who delivers human services in the ACT.

Applicants must be an organisation established to provide culturally appropriate human services to the ACT Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community. Applicants must operate in and have established governance structures in the ACT.

Applicants must have no overdue acquittals.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G16919/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G16919/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G16919/apply
Email: AboriginalServiceDevelopment@act.gov.au

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Aboriginal Families as Teachers

Funding Provider
Department of Education (NSW)

Location
NSW

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19788

Primary Category
Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander peoples

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Business
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **13 Feb 2026 midnight (AEDT)**

Purpose

The program aims to empower Aboriginal families to build a developmentally supportive home learning environment and increase access and engagement in age-appropriate learning for Aboriginal children.

Overview

AFaT focuses on working directly with families and collaborating with early childhood education and care (ECEC) services to encourage age-appropriate learning and access for children aged 0-5 years in a quality, culturally strong early childhood education program. It grants funding to provide a structured 5-day early childhood education program for Aboriginal families.

The program has six core objectives:

- Support Aboriginal families to strengthen and grow developmentally supportive home learning environments.
- Promote literacy and numeracy practices.
- Support families' knowledge and understanding of their children's learning and healthy development.
- Support successful transitions for Aboriginal children and families.
- Promote the value of early childhood education and increase participation in quality ECEC programs.
- Improve developmental outcomes across all 5 Australian Early Development Census (AEDC) domains.

Limitations

Applications for AFaT funding must meet the following requirements:

- Aboriginal community-controlled organisations (ACCO) providing ECEC services **or**
- an Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander organisation (for example, Office of the Registrar of Indigenous Corporations (ORIC) registration, Supply Nation or Indigenous Chamber of Commerce, documentation showing 51% Aboriginal ownership, or any other relevant documentation) providing ECEC services **or**
- a not-for-profit service located in an eligible location (see guidelines).

and

- have proposed program activities developed by a qualified Early Childhood Teacher (ECT) and implemented by a certificate III, diploma qualified early childhood educator, ECT or another person with a relevant tertiary qualification.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19788/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19788/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19788/apply
Email: AboriginalprogramsECED@det.nsw.edu.au

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Aboriginal Tourism Development in NT Parks and Reserves Grant Program

Funding Provider
Department of Industry, Tourism and Trade (NT)

Location
NT

Funding Type
Cash Grant G18990

Primary Category
Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander peoples

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Business

Funding
Amount: $10,000 to $100,000
Total Pool: $400,000

Rounds
Closes **6 Mar 2026**

Purpose

Tourism NT is providing grant funding to support development of Aboriginal cultural experiences and tourism product in NT Parks.

Overview

The Aboriginal Tourism Development in Northern Territory Parks Grant Program is assisting NT majority owned Aboriginal businesses and organisations to develop Aboriginal cultural tourism experiences and tourism product for NT park visitors.

Eligible activities:

- Proposed Aboriginal tourism product/ experiences must be intended to occur in an NT Park
- New or the development of existing Aboriginal cultural experiences and tourism product
- Engaging a suitably qualified business consultant to develop a culturally focused approach for feasibility and business planning
- Receiving business coaching for tourism product development
- Aboriginal tourism product familiarisations or exchanges in another jurisdiction to gain an insight into best practice tourism offerings and its key development learnings
- Assistance to prepare and lodge applications, lease agreements, operational agreements etc with NT Parks and Wildlife Commission and the relevant land council
- Upgrade improvements and/or new infrastructure including interpretative signage for Aboriginal cultural tourism and tourism product to enhance the visitor experience
- Infrastructure to support sustainability and/or accessibility and inclusion objectives (eg. solar power generation, access ramps, improved pathway and audio tours).

Limitations

The Grant Program is specifically designed for NT owned or majority owned Aboriginal businesses and organisations to support new or the development of existing Aboriginal cultural experiences and tourism product in NT Parks.

Eligible applicants must:

- Be greater than 50% Aboriginal owned
- Be a business or organisation located and operating in the NT
- Be legally constituted
- Be Australian registered with an ABN or ACN
- Provide evidence of incorporation e.g. through the Office of the Registrar of Indigenous Corporation (ORIC)
- Have no outstanding grant acquittals or unmet funding agreement obligations from any previous funding from the Department of Tourism and Hospitality's Tourism NT.
- For Aboriginal Corporations and Associations to apply, they must provide confirmation of intent to lodge a Grant Program application.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G18990/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G18990/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G18990/apply

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Aboriginal Tourism Grant Program

Funding Providers
Tourism NT
Department of Industry, Tourism and Trade (NT)

Location
NT

Funding Type
Cash Grant G17916

Primary Category
Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander peoples

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Business

Funding
Amount: $30,000 to $100,000
Total Pool: $500,000

Rounds
Closes **6 Mar 2026 or until funding is exhausted**

Purpose

The Aboriginal Tourism Grant Program supports NT majority owned Aboriginal businesses and organisations to develop Aboriginal cultural tourism experiences and tourism product that encourage visitors to travel to the NT and stay longer.

Overview

The Aboriginal Tourism Grant Program Round 8 supports this vision by assisting NT majority owned Aboriginal businesses and organisations to develop Aboriginal cultural tourism experiences and tourism product that encourage visitors to travel to the NT and stay longer.

Tourism NT is providing a non-competitive funding pool of $500,000 (excluding GST). Applications can be submitted for:

- a minimum funding value of $30,000 (excluding GST)
- up to a maximum funding value of $100,000 (excluding GST).

Limitations

Eligible applicants must:

- be greater than 50% Aboriginal owned
- be an Aboriginal owned business or organisation located and operating in the NT
- Aboriginal Corporations and Associations to provide confirmation of intent to lodge a Grant Program application. Evidence could be:
    - written advice from minimum of two Directors involved in discussions or approvals; or
    - minutes of a duly constituted meeting
- be legally constituted
- be Australian registered
- have approvals of the relevant Land Council or other land management authority for current and proposed/ new tourism product/s related to the application (not required for development planning activities e.g. feasibilities and business planning)
- have no outstanding grant acquittals or unmet funding agreement obligations from any previous funding from the Department of Industry, Tourism and Trade, including Tourism NT.

If the applicants are an active trading Aboriginal tourism business, applicants must:

- have a business plan
- have a current Australian Tourism Data Warehouse (ATDW) listing or have applied for one at the time of application (if appropriate)
- be a member of a peak industry body, such as Tourism Top End, Tourism Central Australia, Hospitality NT or have applied for one at the time of application to the grant (if appropriate).
- employ Territorian residents.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online

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Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G17916/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G17916/apply
Email: Aboriginal.tourismnt@nt.gov.au **Phone:** 08 8999 7420

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Aboriginal Tourism Product Distribution Grant Program

Funding Providers
Tourism NT
Department of Tourism and Hospitality (NT)

Location
NT

Funding Type
Cash Grant G18312

Primary Category
Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander peoples

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Business

Funding
Amount: $2,000 to $5,000
Total Pool: $50,000

Rounds
Closes **30 Mar 2026 5:30 PM (ACST)**

Purpose

The Aboriginal Tourism Product Distribution Grant Program supports online booking systems and expert distribution advice including pricing structures and rate sheets for majority owned Aboriginal businesses to promote and sell their tourism experiences and product.

Overview

Tourism NT is providing a non-competitive funding pool of $50,000 (excluding GST) for online booking systems and for expert distribution advice including pricing structures and rate sheets.

Eligible activities may include:

- implementing an online booking system approved by Tourism NT (booking systems such as Room Manager, Rezdy, Newbook, RMS)
- contribution towards data entry of existing bookings into the new system (only if in conjunction with new booking system)
- contracting expert advice to assist with distribution including development of pricing structures and rate sheets, adaption of existing products to better suit targeted customers.

Applications that will be given priority consideration are:

- applications that demonstrate Aboriginal cultural experiences that encourage visitors to travel to the NT regions and stay longer
- applications which lead to activating new bookable Aboriginal cultural tourism products
- applications that demonstrate co-contribution (excluding in-kind) to the activities detailed in the lodged application.

Limitations

Eligible applicants must:

- be greater than 50% Aboriginal owned
- be an Aboriginal owned business or organisation located and operating in the NT
- Aboriginal Corporations and Associations to provide confirmation of intent to lodge a Grant Program application. Evidence could be:
    - written advice from minimum of two Directors involved in discussions or approvals; or
    - minutes of a duly constituted meeting
- be legally constituted
- be Australian registered
- have no outstanding grant acquittals or unmet funding agreement obligations from any previous funding from Tourism NT.

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Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
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Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G18312/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G18312/apply
Email: Aboriginal.tourismnt@nt.gov.au **Phone:** 08 8999 7420

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Aboriginal Workforce Grants

Funding Provider
Department of Education and Training (NT)

Location
NT

Funding Type
Cash Grant G08133

Primary Category
Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander peoples

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Business
- Local Govt

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Funding is offered to employers and businesses to support activities that result in more Aboriginal Territorians entering employment and developing careers within the workplace.

Overview

This program provides funding for projects that result in Aboriginal people:

- getting jobs
- developing careers within the workplace.

Funding may be used for projects that include elements such as:

- structured mentoring through a professional service for career development
- workforce development such as, support to carry out workplace practices, job design or tutoring
- wrap around services including:
    - on-site mentoring and structured workplace support
    - transport and/or accommodation where there is no alternative.

Limitations

To apply for the program applicants must be a Northern Territory enterprise including:

- Aboriginal corporations
- private businesses
- industry bodies
- not-for-profit organisations
- other incorporated organisation.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G08133/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G08133/guidelines
Email: awg.dtbi@nt.gov.au **Phone:** 8999 7802

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Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Cultural Arts Program

Funding Provider
Arts ACT

Location
ACT

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19720

Primary Category
Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander peoples

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
Amount: $3,000 to $15,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Expression of Interest (EOI) Required to apply
Opens **1 Dec 2025** Closes **9 Feb 2026 12:00pm**

Rounds
Opens **20 Feb 2026** Closes **2 Apr 2026**

Purpose

The objective of the Cultural Arts Program is to enhance outcomes that reflect Canberra's unique culture and identity by funding self-determined programs that support and enhance arts and cultural outcomes for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander artists and build cultural leadership.

Overview

Self-determined programs that are initiated and led by an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander individual, group or organisation can include:

- creating arts and cultural works
- presenting or performing arts and cultural works
- professional or skills development, arts mentoring and artists residencies
- community arts and cultural development
- marketing and promotion of arts activities

These programs can be across a range of artforms and cultural practice including dance, music, theatre, visual arts and crafts, literature, digital and new media, screen and arts-based festivals.

Activities will reflect one or more of the three strategies in Canberra: Australia's Arts Capital – a statement of ambition for the Arts 2021-2026:

- **Create** amazing art and culture – everywhere, at any time and for everyone
- **Develop** arts, cultural and creative industry, practice and facilities – supporting creation and culture at all levels, via any path
- **Promote** our arts and culture – to attract artists, arts workers, visitors and investment.

Funding amounts will be between $3,000 and $15,000 per project.

Limitations

Applicants who are Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander artists and who reside in Canberra can apply. Groups based in Canberra can apply if most of the groups' members are Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people who reside in Canberra.

Organisations can apply if they are incorporated associations or companies limited by guarantee, are led by Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people and are registered in Canberra.

If you are an Aboriginal person who has a traditional connection with the ACT, you are eligible to apply regardless of your residential address.

Non-ACT-based Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander residents and organisations may apply to the Program, however in line with the overarching objectives they must demonstrate the following:

- Engagement of local Canberran artists and performers and/or
- Highlighting of people, places, groups or facilities in Canberra and/or
- Connections to existing local groups, organisations or institutions in Canberra.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
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Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19720/guidelines

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Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Cultural Grants

Funding Provider
Health and Community Services Directorate (ACT)

Location
ACT

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19837

Primary Category
Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander peoples

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual

Funding
$10,000

Rounds
Closes **19 Feb 2026**

Purpose

These grants support ACT Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and organisations to celebrate and share culture.

Overview

This grant focuses on cultural integrity. This is where a society supports Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander aspirations. It helps to build respectful, fair, and sustainable communities.

Individuals can get a grant of up to $5,000 and organisations up to $10,000.

Projects must take place in the ACT and can include:

- Community Awareness: activities or projects that promote wider community awareness of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander culture.
- Collaboration: activities, programs, or projects for the benefit of the ACT Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community.
- Cultural Milestones: activities, programs or projects that mark important cultural milestones or celebrations. These include but not limited to National Sorry Day, Mabo Day, or NAIDOC Week.
- Performances: cultural performances activities, programs, or projects.

Limitations

Who can apply?

- Individuals
- Organisations
- Partnerships or collaborations

Profit making groups, education institutions, government entities and registered political parties are not eligible to apply.

Individuals can apply if they:

- are over the age of 18 years old,
- reside in the ACT or surrounding regions or are connected to the ACT through education or work. A copy of an ACT or NSW Driver's License or Proof of Identity Card, or proof of residency stating your current address must be provided. The Canberra Region is defined in the Canberra Region Local Industry Participation Policy as the area comprising the Australian Capital Territory and the New South Wales Member Councils including:
    - Bega Valley
    - Eurobodalla
    - Goulburn-Mulwaree
    - Hilltops
    - Queanbeyan-Palerang
    - Snowy Monaro
    - Upper Lachlan
    - Yass Valley

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- are an Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander person.

Please see guidelines for more information on Eligibility.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19837/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19837/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19837/apply
Email: csdgrants@act.gov.au

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Agency Collaborates - Community Initiated Proposals

Funding Provider
National Indigenous Australians Agency

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G07218

Primary Category
Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander peoples

Eligible to
- TAFE
- Not-for-Profit
- School
- State Govt
- University
- Individual
- Local Govt

Funding
Total Pool: $720,000,000 (approx)

Rounds
Closes **30 Dec 2026 11:30PM (ACT Local Time)**

Purpose

Under the IAS, the NIAA considers grant proposals that address a need for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people. Proposals must be developed with the community or group who will be impacted by the activity.

Overview

This funding approach can be used to present a proposal to the Agency where a need has been identified in the community and there are no other current funding avenues available.

You must discuss your proposal with the Agency. The Agency may then invite you to submit an application.

You may discuss an initial proposal with the Agency at any time by contacting your local NIAA Regional Office or by calling 1800 079 098.

There is no maximum grant amount available to applicants. The Agency will consider value with relevant money and availability of funds to meet priorities in offering a grant amount.

Applicants can apply for funding for activities for up to 12 months or over multiple years.

Limitations

The Agency cannot consider applications that do not satisfy all the eligibility criteria.

Community groups that are not eligible to apply for funding are encouraged to consider partnering with an eligible organisation.

Who is eligible for funding?

To be eligible to apply for grant funding under the Agency Collaborates guidelines you must:

- have been invited to apply by the Agency
- have an Australian Business Number (ABN) (exemptions may apply in special cases)
- where relevant, be registered for the purposes of GST
- if an individual, be a permanent resident of Australia
- have an account, in your name and which you control, with an Australian financial institution.

AND be one of the following entity types:

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- an Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Corporation registered under the Corporations (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander) Act 2006 (CATSI Act)
- a company incorporated in Australia under the Corporations Act 2001
- an incorporated association (incorporated under state/territory legislation, commonly have 'Association' or 'Incorporated' or 'Inc' in their legal name)
- an incorporated cooperative (incorporated under state/territory legislation, commonly have 'Cooperative' in their legal name)
- Organisations established through a specific piece of Commonwealth or state/territory legislation including public benevolent institutions, churches and universities
- an Australian state or territory government body
- an Australian local government body
- an incorporated trustee on behalf of a trust
- a partnership
- a joint (consortia) application with a lead organisation that satisfies the entity type
- an individual with an ABN.

The Agency will not accept your application unless you:

- have rectified any issues of previous non-compliance with existing Agency agreements to the satisfaction of the Agency, or be in the process of rectifying any issues of noncompliance with existing Agency agreements to the satisfaction of the Agency.
- are financially viable to the Agency's satisfaction. The application form has questions about financial viability. The Agency may undertake its own enquiries in relation to the applicant's financial viability

Who is not eligible?

You are not eligible to apply for grant funding under the IAS if you are:

- an organisation, or your project partner is an organisation, included on the National Redress Scheme's website on the list of 'Institutions that have not joined or signified their intent to join the Scheme' (National Redress Scheme)
- a non-corporate Commonwealth entity
- an unincorporated association
- subject to the Agency's sole discretion, an overseas resident
- an organisation or individual not included in Section 4.1 of the guidelines
- declared bankrupt or subject to insolvency proceedings—as relevant to the entity type
- named as currently non-compliant under the Workplace Gender Equality Act 2012

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Email, Phone
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G07218/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G07218/guidelines
Website: https://www.niaa.gov.au/contact-us/regional-network-addresses **Email:** IASGrants@niaa.gov.au **Phone:** 1800 079 098

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Arts Business: First Nations Development Fund

Funding Provider
Creative Australia

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19329

Primary Category
Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander peoples

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Business
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
Amount: $10,000 to $50,000

Rounds
Closes **3 Feb 2026**

Purpose

This Fund provides grants from $10,000 to $50,000 to build sustainable business practices and support economic and capacity-building opportunities.

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Overview

The opportunity is open to First Nations individuals and micro-organisations working in any artform and creative business.

Grants can be used to support, professional and workforce development, governance training, capacity building, temporary staffing, marketing, seed funding, building digital capabilities and strategic planning.

This fund should improve business skill, capacity and financial stability to increase opportunity for growth and elevate capabilities.

Limitations

Individual eligibility must:

- be a First Nations artist
- be an Australian Citizen or a Permanent Resident
- be residing in Australia
- be a Sole Trader

Group eligibility must:

- be all First Nations artists
- be an Australian Citizen or Permanent Resident
- be Residing in Australia
- be a Sole Trader for the group or a group partnership

Organisations must:

- be a First Nations-led small business or micro-organisation that has no more than 5 FTE (full time equivalent) staff
- be based in Australia.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19329/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19329/apply
Email: tammy.close@creative.gov.au **Phone:** 02 9215 9145

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Business Development Program

Funding Provider
Wiri Yuwiburra Community Benefits Trust (WYCBT)

Location
QLD

Funding Type
Cash Grant G09762

Primary Category
Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander peoples

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Business
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
$3,000 (approx)
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Wiri Yuwiburra Community Benefits Trust has developed a range of Grant Programs to support and assist Aboriginal Group beneficiaries in alignment with the Trust Deed and its objectives.

Overview

The Business Development Program offers funding to eligible applicants for the below types of projects or activities that assist with business development:

- Applications in this program area are considered only if the applicant has pursued funding through existing avenues (e.g., IBA, DATSIP).
- The Trust may request documentary evidence of these unsuccessful attempts.

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- The Trust may grant funding for the following purposes:
    - Funding professional business advice such as protecting intellectual property and trademarking bio-cultural knowledge
    - Assisting in capital for a start-up of a viable business
    - Assisting in capital with an existing viable business
- Funding professional business advice such as for developing benefit-sharing models and family trusts. Potential grant recipients must declare any third-party funding sources for their project.
- Eligible Beneficiaries are limited to one (1) approved grant to the maximum amount per calendar year.

Limitations

General Eligibility

The Trust is governed by a Trust Deed.

To be eligible to apply for a grant from the Trust, the applicant must be a “Beneficiary”.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G09762/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G09762/guidelines

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G09762/apply
Email: admin@wycbt.org.au **Phone:** 0499 992 865

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Business Growth Grants

Funding Provider
Northern Territory Aboriginal Investment Corporation (NTAIC)

Location
NT

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19506

Primary Category
Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander peoples

Eligible to
Business

Funding
$150,000

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Businesses in the growth phase of their journey can apply for up to $150,000.

Overview

The objective of Aboriginal Investment NTs Business Grants is to increase the size, scale, diversity and maturity of NT Aboriginal businesses, as well as the number of Aboriginal Territorians employed by NT Aboriginal businesses.

$7.5 million in grant funding is available each financial year to support the following NTAIC Business Grant streams:

- Business Start-Up Grant: You can apply for up to $100,000 (GST exclusive). You can access a Business Start-Up Grant once only.
- Business Growth Grant: You can apply for up to $150,000 (GST exclusive). You can access a Business Growth Grant a maximum of once every three years for a discrete growth project.

This record is in reference to the Business Growth Grant.

The Business Grants are open for application all year round and will remain open until available funding has been allocated. The grants are non-competitive, which means you don't have to compete with other applicants. Each application is assessed on its own merit to ensure it meets the eligibility and key assessment criteria.

Limitations

To be eligible you must:

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- Be a corporation, sole trader or partnership trading under a business name registered in the NT and holding a valid Australian Business Number (ABN).
- Have at least 51% Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander ownership and/or control and active involvement in the business.
- Have operations based in the NT.
- Be trading for at least 12 months.
- Have assessed yourself as having completed the Start-Up Phase and are now in the Growth Phase of your Business Development Journey (see previous page).
- Not have received grants for your business with a total value of $250,000 (GST exclusive) or more from Aboriginal Investment NT or the Aboriginal Benefits Account, in the previous three years.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19506/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19506/guidelines

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19506/apply
Email: grants@aboriginalinvestment.org.au **Phone:** 1800 943 039

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Business Start-Up Grant

Funding Provider
Northern Territory Aboriginal Investment Corporation (NTAIC)

Location
NT

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19505

Primary Category
Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander peoples

Eligible to
Business

Funding
$100,000

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Businesses in the start-up phase of their journey can apply for of up to $100,000.

Overview

The objective of Aboriginal Investment NTs Business Grants is to increase the size, scale, diversity and maturity of NT Aboriginal businesses, as well as the number of Aboriginal Territorians employed by NT Aboriginal businesses.

$7.5 million in grant funding is available each financial year to support the following NTAIC Business Grant streams:

- Business Start-Up Grant: You can apply for up to $100,000 (GST exclusive). You can access a Business Start-Up Grant once only.
- Business Growth Grant: You can apply for up to $150,000 (GST exclusive). You can access a Business Growth Grant a maximum of once every three years for a discrete growth project.

This record is in reference to the Business Start up Grant.

The Business Grants are open for application all year round and will remain open until available funding has been allocated. The grants are non-competitive, which means you don't have to compete with other applicants. Each application is assessed on its own merit to ensure it meets the eligibility and key assessment criteria.

Limitations

To be eligible you must:

- Be a corporation, sole trader or partnership trading under a business name registered in the NT and holding a valid Australian Business Number (ABN).
- Have at least 51% Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander ownership and/or control and active involvement in the business.

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- Have operations based in the NT.
- Be trading for no more than two years.
- Have assessed yourself as in the Start-Up Phase of your Business Development Journey (see previous page).
- Not have previously received grants for your business with a total value of $100,000 (GST exclusive) or more from Aboriginal Investment NT or the Aboriginal Benefits Account.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19505/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19505/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19505/apply
Email: grants@aboriginalinvestment.org.au **Phone:** 1800 943 039

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Community Benefits Program: Cultural Health and Wellbeing

Funding Provider
Wiri Yuwiburra Community Benefits Trust (WYCBT)

Location
QLD

Funding Type
Cash Grant G15988

Primary Category
Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander peoples

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
$5,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **31 Dec 2025**

Purpose

This grant supports projects that will deliver measurable social impact on Beneficiary communities' cultural health and well-being, including Back to Country and NAIDOC events.

Overview

Wiri Yuwiburra Community Benefits Trust has developed a range of Grant Programs to support and assist Aboriginal Group beneficiaries in alignment with the Trust Deed and its objectives.

The Cultural Health and Wellbeing can be applied for once per calendar year up to the maximum amount of $5000.

The Community Benefits Program offers funding to eligible applicants for the below types of projects or activities that provide community benefits:

- Cultural Health and Wellbeing
- Funeral and/or Tombstone assistance
- Individual Representative Sport
- Team Sport Sponsorship

Limitations

General Eligibility

The Trust is governed by a Trust Deed. To be eligible to apply for a grant, the applicant must be a "Beneficiary".

A Beneficiary is:

- Any Wiri, Yuwiburra and Barada Barna Peoples, regardless of residential status.
- Any member of the broader Birri Gubba Nation resident in the Agreement Area.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
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Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G15988/guidelines

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Community Benefits Program: Funeral and Tombstone

Funding Provider
Wiri Yuwiburra Community Benefits Trust (WYCBT)

Location
QLD

Funding Type
Cash Grant G15992

Primary Category
Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander peoples

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$5,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **31 Dec 2025**

Purpose

This grant provides assistance for funeral or tombstone costs for a deceased Beneficiary.

Overview

Wiri Yuwiburra Community Benefits Trust has developed a range of Grant Programs to support and assist Aboriginal Group beneficiaries in alignment with the Trust Deed and its objectives.

The Funeral and Tombstone grant is available as once off grant, maximum grant amounts below:

- Funeral - up to $5000
- Tombstone - up to $2000

The Community Benefits Program offers funding to eligible applicants for the below types of projects or activities that provide community benefits:

- Cultural Health and Wellbeing
- Funeral and/or Tombstone assistance
- Individual Representative Sport
- Team Sport Sponsorship

Limitations

General Eligibility

The Trust is governed by a Trust Deed. To be eligible to apply for a grant, the applicant must be a "Beneficiary".

A Beneficiary is:

- Any Wiri, Yuwiburra and Barada Barna Peoples, regardless of residential status.
- Any member of the broader Birri Gubba Nation resident in the Agreement Area.

Specific guidelines and information that relate to this area of funding are as follows:

- The applicant does not need to be an eligible Beneficiary of the Trust, but evidence of the deceased's eligibility must be confirmed.
- The applicant is not required to submit an evaluation report to acquit the grant, as the funds will be paid directly to the funeral director.
- This is a one-off payment to support the cost of a funeral and/or a tombstone for an eligible deceased Beneficiary.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G15992/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G15992/guidelines

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Community Benefits Program: Individual Representative Sport

Funding Provider
Wiri Yuwiburra Community Benefits Trust (WYCBT)

Location
QLD

Funding Type
Cash Grant G15991

Primary Category
Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander peoples

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$3,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **31 Dec 2025**

Purpose

This grant supports Individual representation in a sport or recreational event at regional, state or national level.

Overview

Wiri Yuwiburra Community Benefits Trust has developed a range of Grant Programs to support and assist Aboriginal Group beneficiaries in alignment with the Trust Deed and its objectives.

The Individual Representative Sport can be applied for by the participant twice per calendar year.

The Community Benefits Program offers funding to eligible applicants for the below types of projects or activities that provide community benefits:

- Cultural Health and Wellbeing
- Funeral and/or Tombstone assistance
- Individual Representative Sport
- Team Sport Sponsorship

Limitations

General Eligibility

The Trust is governed by a Trust Deed. To be eligible to apply for a grant, the applicant must be a "Beneficiary".

A Beneficiary is:

- Any Wiri, Yuwiburra and Barada Barna Peoples, regardless of residential status.
- Any member of the broader Birri Gubba Nation resident in the Agreement Area.

Specific guidelines and information that relate to this area of funding are as follows:

- The potential grant recipient must be selected to represent a sport or recreational activity at a regional, state, or national event based on merit using the criteria of skill level and performance.
- This program funding does not include club or school sports/recreation representation.
- The potential grant recipient can be a competitor, coach, manager, official or trainer.
- Recreational activities may include dance, mathematics, poetry, hunting, rock climbing, singing, painting, or bowling.
- The Trust will use its discretion in deciding if an activity is an acceptable form of sport or recreation.
- Financial assistance can be requested for expenses such as fees and levies, uniforms, required equipment, air/ground travel expenses, etc.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G15991/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G15991/guidelines

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Community Benefits Program: Team Sport Sponsorship

Funding Provider
Wiri Yuwiburra Community Benefits Trust (WYCBT)

Location
QLD

Funding Type
Cash Grant G15993

Primary Category
Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander peoples

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
$5,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **31 Dec 2025**

Purpose

This grant provides Sporting team sponsorship at regional, state or national level.

Overview

Wiri Yuwiburra Community Benefits Trust has developed a range of Grant Programs to support and assist Aboriginal Group beneficiaries in alignment with the Trust Deed and its objectives.

The Team Sport Sponsorship grant can be applied for twice per calendar year per team.

The Community Benefits Program offers funding to eligible applicants for the below types of projects or activities that provide community benefits:

- Cultural Health and Wellbeing
- Funeral and/or Tombstone assistance
- Individual Representative Sport
- Team Sport Sponsorship

Limitations

General Eligibility

The Trust is governed by a Trust Deed. To be eligible to apply for a grant, the applicant must be a "Beneficiary".

A Beneficiary is:

- Any Wiri, Yuwiburra and Barada Barna Peoples, regardless of residential status.
- Any member of the broader Birri Gubba Nation resident in the Agreement Area.

Specific guidelines and information that relate to this area of funding are as follows:

- This program area is open to sporting teams that have a majority of athletes and officials who are eligible Beneficiaries.
- The team must be managed and/or captained by an eligible Beneficiary.
- Financial assistance may be requested for expenses such as transport to and from the event, nomination fees, uniforms, equipment, etc.
- The Trust will pay for expenses directly to the sponsoring organisation and/or suppliers if an application is approved. If expenses are already paid, the Trust may, at their discretion, reimburse the payee into their bank account.
- Any other sources of funding received for the team must be declared.
- One (1) application must be completed per team by the team's manager (e.g. one (1) for a male team and one (1) for a female team).
- An application may be made for a one-off event or multiple events; however, the team is limited to two (2) approved grant applications per calendar year.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G15993/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G15993/guidelines

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Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G15993/apply
Email: admin@wycbt.org.au **Phone:** 0499 992 865

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Community Grants

Funding Provider
CAGES Foundation

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G07426

Primary Category
Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander peoples

Eligible to
Not-for-Profit
DGR Required

Funding
$25,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The CAGES Foundation Community Grants stream provides one-off grants to organisations providing services to children and their families.

Overview

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children have the right to grow up healthy, happy and safe. To dream, believe, flourish and succeed, strong in culture and identity.
Aboriginal controlled organisations and community have the skills, knowledge and experience to implement strategies to create these nurturing environments for children.

CAGES Foundation invests in these organisations. Requests for funding up to $50,000 will be considered.

Limitations

Criteria

- Aboriginal controlled or led organisations are only eligible
- Activities will be focused on Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children in the first five years of life.
- Request for funding up to $25,000 will be considered
- Funding is short-term (one off grants only)
- Any activity must be community endorsed.
- All organisations must have DGR1 tax status.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G07426/info
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G07426/apply
Address: 50 Holt Street Surry Hills 2010 NSW
Email: info@cagesfoundation.org **Phone:** (02) 9051 2411

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Community Quick Response Grants

Funding Provider
Northern Territory Aboriginal Investment Corporation (NTAIC)

Location
NT

Funding Type
Cash Grant G14702

Primary Category
Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander peoples

Eligible to
Not-for-Profit

Funding
Amount: $1,000 to $10,000
Total Pool: $1,500,000

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Apply for up to $10,000 to support one-off projects in urban, regional and remote Aboriginal communities and homelands in the NT.

Overview

$1.5 million in grant funding is available each financial year to support NTAIC's Community Quick Response Grants.

Grants will be awarded based on the below regional thresholds:

- $225,000 for each NTAIC region (Top End, East Arnhem, Big Rivers, Barkly, Central Australia).
- $225,000 for the greater Darwin/Palmerston Region.
- $150,000 for the greater Alice Springs area.

Applications are open throughout the financial year, or until all funding has been spent. Grants are open and non-competitive, which means eligible applicants can apply at any time, although grants will be awarded on a first-come-first-served basis.

The objective of Community Quick Response Grants is to support projects that:

- Strengthen Aboriginal cultural practice, maintenance and preservation (including traditional language and passing on traditional knowledge).
- Increase Aboriginal social and cultural connection, celebration and wellbeing.
- Strengthen Aboriginal connections to Country
- Increase or improve Aboriginal participation in sporting, recreational, artistic, musical, cultural, educational, or social and emotional wellbeing activities.

Limitations

You must be a Traditional Owner organisation or Aboriginal organisation that meets all of the following:

- Incorporated under relevant legislation.
- Not-for-profit.
- Based in the NT, unless you are a cross-border Australian entity with operations and cultural links to the NT (by exception only).
- Connected to the NT community, or communities, whose members will benefit from the grant funding.
- Governed by a majority-Aboriginal governing body, where at least 51% of the governing body is made up of Aboriginal persons.
- Not have received a Community Quick Response Grant in the 12 months before making an application.

Applications for funding must be made by the organisation that will be responsible for delivering the grant. This means that:

- Auspicing arrangements are not accepted for the management of Community Quick Response Grants.
- Joint applications are not accepted for Community Quick Response Grants.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G14702/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G14702/guidelines

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G14702/apply

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Email: grants@ntaic.org.au **Phone:** (08) 7906 1741

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Deadly Deposit Grant

Funding Provider
Aboriginal Housing Office (NSW)

Location
NSW

Funding Type
Cash Grant G15508

Primary Category
Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander peoples

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$10,000

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

A financial grant that can match people's savings towards their deposit, up to $10,000.

Overview

The Deadly Deposit Grant program is a financial grant that can match people's savings towards their deposit, up to $10,000. Deposit savings may be made up of money in the bank, cash, and other sources including inheritance.

For an application form, send an email to homeownership@aho.nsw.gov.au

Limitations

Eligibility:

This grant is open to Aboriginal people who are in the process of buying a home. Applications open to social housing tenants.

To be eligible for the Home Buy Booster Grant grant you must be an Aboriginal person who:

- can show confirmation of Aboriginality from a Local Aboriginal Land Council or an Aboriginal Registered Organisation
- has a maximum individual/combined annual income of up to $200,000
- has saved at least $1,000 toward a deposit
- currently lives in NSW and is purchasing a property in NSW
- does not currently own residential property (with the exception of land)

The main applicant must be Aboriginal and take on at least 25% ownership of the property being purchased.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Email
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G15508/info
Email: homeownership@aho.nsw.gov.au

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Early Years Strategic Partnerships Grants

Funding Provider
CAGES Foundation

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G12117

Primary Category
Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander peoples

Eligible to
Not-for-Profit
DGR Required

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The CAGES Foundation Strategic Partnership stream provides long-term funding to organisations working on a community driven childhood initiative.

Overview

CAGES Foundation's strategic partnerships in the Early Years are focused on opportunities which build a robust First Nations led early childhood system. Initiatives may be specifically for children aged 0-5 or the family, workers, organisations and community who build an environment for children to thrive in the first five years of their life.

Early Years Strategic Partnership Guidelines:

- Preference for Aboriginal controlled or led organisations
- Long-term work involving core organisational funding, skills transfer, infrastructure, systemic change/advocacy and/or program development
- Activities focused on Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children in the first five years of life Primarily focusing on organisations working in NSW (there may be exceptions for advocacy or systems change at a national level)
- Any activity must be endorsed by community
- Organisations must have DGR1 tax status.

Application process Strategic Partnerships all start with a conversation. There are no grant rounds.

Opportunities are limited due to the long-term nature of existing partnerships. To discuss further please email info@cagesfoundation.org or enquire through the website.

Limitations

Criteria

- Long-term work involving skills transfer, infrastructure, systemic change or program development.
- Activities focused on Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children in the first five years of life.
- We will be primarily focusing on organisations working in NSW or based on the east coast who have a national reach.
- There is a strong preference for Aboriginal controlled organisations or organisations that can demonstrate they are working at the request of community.
- Any activity must be community endorsed. All organisations must have DGR1 tax status.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Email
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G12117/info
Address: 50 Holt Street Surry Hills 2010 NSW
Email: info@cagesfoundation.org **Phone:** (02) 9051 2411

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Economic Inclusion Grants

Funding Provider
CAGES Foundation

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G09882

Primary Category
Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander peoples

Eligible to
Not-for-Profit
DGR Required

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Aboriginal controlled organisations and community have the skills, knowledge and experience to implement strategies to create these nurturing environments for children. CAGES Foundation invests in these organisations.

Overview

First Nation people are the first entrepreneurs and business people in Australia. Colonisation created structures that prevent and exclude Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people from wealth creation.

Ways CAGES Foundation might assist include:

- Core operating expenses, including salaries, communications and business development costs.
- Developing internal investment products within Aboriginal controlled non-government organisations.

Grants are made on a rolling basis and are open for enquiry all year. These grants are separate to any financial impact investment that the investment committee of CAGES Foundation may make from the foundation's corpus.

Application process

There is an open and accessible enquiry process. Grants are issued once a relationship is built and there is deep understanding of what the objectives of an organisation is. Limited grants are available.

To discuss further please email info@cagesfoundation.org

Limitations

Economic Inclusion Grant Criteria

- Aboriginal Community Controlled organisation.
- Any activity must be community endorsed.
- All organisations must have DGR1 tax status.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G09882/info
Address: Suite 602, 50 Holt Street Surrey Hills 2010 NSW
Email: info@cagesfoundation.org **Phone:** (02) 9051 2411

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Education Grants

Funding Provider
Opening the Doors Foundation

Location
VIC

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19467

Primary Category
Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander peoples

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
Amount: Undisclosed to Unknown
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **2 Apr 2026**

Purpose

The Opening the Doors Foundation addresses the severe educational disadvantage still being experienced by many Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander families, by providing assistance so that they are able to choose and successfully maintain a positive education environment for their children.

Overview

You may apply for essential school items. Please list your items in order of priority.

Eligible items include:

- School books & stationery
- School uniforms
- One pair of shoes (school or sport shoes)
- IT equipment (laptops, calculators, etc.)
- VCAL/VET levies
- Camp levies in the State of Victoria

Due to a large increase in demand, changes have been made to this year's grant round. The Foundation will prioritise students with the highest financial need to ensure fair access to support.

Limitations

To apply, the student must:

- Be of Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander descent
- Provide a Confirmation of Aboriginality
- Be enrolled in a Catholic or Independent school in Victoria (Prep-Year 12). OTDF is bound by set of rules determined by Vic State Government that restricts us from funding Aboriginal and Torres Strait students in public schools
- OTDF does not support students attending government schools

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Mail, Email
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19467/info
Contact: Opening the Doors Foundation **Address:** Opening the Doors Foundation PO Box 1088 THORNBURY 3071 VIC
Email: enquiries@openingthedoors.org.au **Phone:** 0401 487 414

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Education Program

Funding Provider
Wiri Yuwiburra Community Benefits Trust (WYCBT)

Location
QLD

Funding Type
Cash Grant G16003

Primary Category
Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander peoples

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$5,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **31 Dec 2025**

Purpose

Wiri Yuwiburra Community Benefits Trust has developed a range of Grant Programs to support and assist Aboriginal Group beneficiaries in alignment with the Trust Deed and its objectives.

Overview

The Education Program offers funding to eligible applicants for the below types of activities:

Primary/Secondary Education

- Maximum grant $5000
- Apply here

Training Education

- Maximum grant $5000
- Apply here

University (tertiary) Education

- Maximum grant $5000
- Apply here

Cultural and language resources for use in schools and other educational institutions

- Maximum grant $2500
- Apply here

Limitations

- A Wiri, Yuwiburra, and Barada Barna Peoples, resident anywhere in Australia.
- Any member of the broader Birra Gubba Nation resident in the Agreement Area.

Education and Training Program

Primary/Secondary Education Assistance Specific guidelines and information that relate to this area of funding are as follows:

- The applicant must be a parent, guardian, or carer of an eligible Beneficiary undertaking primary or secondary education.
- The applicant must provide evidence of the student's current school year enrolment.
- This program provides financial assistance with school uniforms, fees and levies, books and stationery, or school camps, etc.
- If an application is made for a laptop/device for a student, a copy of the school's laptop/devices policy must be uploaded. This will usually be a "Bring your own device" policy or a "Laptop take home charter".
- No applications for laptops/devices will be considered without evidence of the school's laptop/devices policy.
- If the student's school does not have a laptop/devices policy, please request a letter from the school explaining why a laptop is required for the student.
- If the student cancels or defers their education, the applicant must advise the Trust within 28 days. At the Trust's discretion, a full or partial refund of the grant funds may be requested.
- Any funding received towards the education from a third party must be declared to the Trust.
- Multiple applications are permitted per student in a calendar year up to the maximum grant amount per student per calendar year.

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Training

Specific guidelines and information that relate to this area of funding are as follows:

- This program assists eligible Beneficiaries with the costs of vocational training, to improve the range of skills they can offer to potential employers and upskill to assist with selfemployment.
- The training must be delivered by a TAFE, or a Registered Training Organisation registered by ASQA (or a state regulator).
- Multiple applications are permitted per eligible Beneficiary, per calendar year up to the funding limit.
- If the Beneficiary cancels or defers their training course, they must advise the Trust within 28 days. At the Trust's discretion, a full or partial refund of the funds may be requested.
- Potential grant recipients must declare any third-party funding sources for their training course.
- Multiple short courses may be considered in one (1) application up to the maximum grant amount per calendar year.

Tertiary Education Assistance

Specific guidelines and information that relate to this area of funding are as follows:

- The applicant must be over the age of 18.
- The applicant must be enrolled at a university. Confirmation of enrolment, at the time the application is made, is required.
- This program does not fund travel to and from university, meals, rent, or contributions directly to HECS/HELP.
- The Trust may pay expenses directly to the university or, at their discretion, reimburse the applicant for paid expenses. Details are provided in the Funding Agreement.
- If the Beneficiary cancels or defers their tertiary studies, they must advise the Trust within 28 days. At the Trust's discretion, a full or partial refund of the funds may be requested.
- Potential grant recipients must declare any third-party funding sources for their tertiary education.
- Eligible Beneficiaries are limited to one (1) approved application up to the maximum grant amount per calendar year.

Cultural materials and resources

Specific guidelines and information that relate to this area of funding are as follows:

- This program provides financial support for creating, producing, and distributing cultural materials and resources for use in schools and other educational institutions.
- Eligible Beneficiaries are limited to one (1) approved application up to the maximum grant amount per calendar year.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G16003/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G16003/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G16003/apply
Email: administration@wycbt.org.au **Phone:** 0499 992 865

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Elsa Dixon Aboriginal Employment Grant

Funding Provider
Department of Education (NSW)

Location
NSW

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19511

Primary Category
Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander peoples

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- State Govt
- Local Govt

Funding
Amount: $500 to $40,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **28 Feb 2026**

Purpose

The Elsa Dixon Aboriginal Employment Grant (EDAEG) adopts a number of strategies to develop and support Aboriginal people through the creation of training and employment opportunities.

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Overview

The Elsa Dixon Aboriginal Employment Grant (EDAEG) adopts a number of strategies to develop and support Aboriginal people through the creation of training and employment opportunities. Promoting diversity, innovation and service responsiveness in the NSW workforce, the Elsa Dixon Aboriginal Employment Grant subsidises the salary, development and support costs of Aboriginal employees in public service agencies, local government authorities and Aboriginal Community Controlled Organisations.

This program is administered by Department of Education.

Limitations

To be eligible, organisations must be a:

- NSW Public Service Agency;
- NSW Local Government Authority (NSW LGA) operating under the Local Government Act 1993; or
- NSW Aboriginal Community Controlled Organisation (ACCO) who meet the eligibility requirements set out under *Eligibility for ACCOs* in the EDAEG Guidelines.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19511/info

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19511/apply
Email: TSNSW.EDAEG@det.nsw.edu.au **Phone:** 0457 544 371

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First Mortgage

Funding Provider
Department of Premier and Cabinet (VIC)

Location
VIC

Funding Type
Pro Bono Services U00195

Primary Category
Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander peoples

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Business

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Aboriginal organisations that own a property where the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs holds a first mortgage can apply to have the first mortgage removed.

Overview

The Program aims to provide Aboriginal organisations that own property where the Minister holds a first mortgage the opportunity to have full control of their assets and have the autonomy to grow and plan for the future.

It will enable more Aboriginal organisations to meet social determinants such as education, health and housing and improve the ability of Aboriginal organisations to respond to the ongoing and changing demands in social, economic, and cultural environments.

Successful first mortgage removals will promote more Aboriginal organisations to:

- be the decision maker on issues affecting their organisation and community
- have greater control and choices regarding the use of their assets
- leverage economic development opportunities from their assets
- contribute to the social, cultural and economic development of Aboriginal communities.

Limitations

Eligibility criteria

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Eligible organisations are those Victorian Aboriginal organisations that currently own a property/properties that the Minister holds a first mortgage over.

Applicants must also:

- be an incorporated body, cooperative or association (including business associations)
- have an Australian Business Number (ABN) or provide written advice from the Australian Tax Office that no withholding tax is required from the grant payment
- be registered for the Goods and Services Tax (GST)
- be financially solvent (organisations in liquidation and/or administration are not eligible to apply for this program)

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00195/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00195/apply
Email: AV.grants@dpc.vic.gov.au

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First Nations Cultural Healing Program Grant

Funding Provider
Queensland Mental Health Commission

Location
QLD

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19736

Primary Category
Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander peoples

Eligible to
Not-for-Profit

Funding
$250,000
Total Pool: $750,000

Rounds
Closes **7 Jan 2026**

Purpose

The fund supports community-led cultural healing across Queensland through a $750,000 grant program for First Nations organisations.

Overview

The Commission is seeking to engage First Nations non-government organisations with suitable experience, capability and skills to deliver a healing program that meets the objectives identified under the guidelines.

The funding provided will be non-recurrent. Successful recipients will demonstrate how the proposed programs contribute to fostering healing within First Nations communities and can be replicated and sustainable beyond the grant.

The purpose of the Grants is to focus on opportunities responsive to local needs with a focus on healing programs that build on traditional wisdom, knowledge and practice to enhance social and emotional wellbeing.

Applicants are required to deliver a healing program that contributes to two or more of the following objectives listed below:

- raise awareness and/or provide education on the impacts of historical and intergenerational trauma experienced by First Nations communities
- foster connection to culture, community and family to support social and emotional wellbeing
- promote mental health, social and emotional wellbeing and healing in culturally appropriate and community-led ways
- support suicide prevention and improve understanding of AOD concerns for First Nations people
- reduce harm related to AOD use through preventative, educational or community-led strategies
- support initiatives that address the social and structural determinants of health and wellbeing (i.e. racism, housing, education, justice)
- build leadership, self-determination and capacity within communities to lead their own healing journeys and/or
- foster culturally safe environments in schools, workplaces or community spaces that support social and emotional wellbeing.

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Limitations

To be eligible, the applicant must:

- be a First Nations organisation, community-controlled organisation, and/or community based not-for-profit have a registered Australian Business Number (ABN) and be registered for GST purposes, where relevant
- be Queensland based, meaning that the applicant:
    - has its main office, principal place of operations or registered business address located in Queensland and
    - delivers programs, services or activities that primarily benefit Queensland communities and
    - holds governance, decision-making responsibilities or operational oversight within Queensland.
- hold or will obtain the appropriate workers' compensation, public liability and professional indemnity insurance required to undertake this program and all related activities
- have no outstanding financial liability, service delivery or performance issues for funding previously and/or currently provided by the Queensland Government
- must not have received funding from another Queensland Government organisation for the same proposed program, within the same 18-month delivery timeframe (no double-ups permitted).

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19736/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19736/guidelines

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19736/apply
Email: contracts@qmhc.qld.gov.au

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First Nations Development

Funding Provider
Screen Australia

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G09310

Primary Category
Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander peoples

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Business

Funding
$65,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Screen Australia's First Nations Department programs support creatively ambitious projects and people, and imaginative, resonant stories authored by Australian Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander practitioners.

Overview

Screen Australia aim to assist the career development of talented writers, directors and producers who have the potential to make a significant contribution to screen culture and the national cultural life. Screen Australia engage actively at all stages with key creatives in the development and production of their works.

The following is available for successful applicants:

First Nations Feature Development

This program seeks writers or teams with demonstrated experience and an idea they wish to explore in the longer feature format

What funding is available?

- Up to $30,000, or up to $45,000 if a producer is attached

First Nations TV Drama Development

This program is looking for striking and engaging storytelling that will connect with audiences. Screen Australia reserves the right to require the attachment of a story consultant where appropriate.

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What funding is available?

- One-offs: Up to $30,000
- Series: Up to $65,000

First Nations Documentary Development:

Funding is available for the further development of a treatment and/or draft scripts, series bible, project development as well as fees for writer, producer, director, story consultant, research, and/or securing production financing.

What funding is available?

- Up to $30,000 for one-off feature length documentaries
- Up to $30,000 for series
- Up to $20,000 for television one-hour documentaries
- Up to $20,000 for online series

Limitations

Who can apply?

Feature Development and TV Drama Development

Applicants and their projects must meet the general eligibility requirements set out in Screen Australia's Terms of Trade in addition to the following:

- Can be a producer, writer or writer/director.
- The director (where attached) and writer must be Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander Australian and must have at least three 'eligible drama credits' in their respective roles.
- In the case of co-writing teams, made up of Indigenous and non-Indigenous writers, the original concept must come from the First Nations Australian writer. This must be shown in the application.
- An eligible writer or writer/director may receive a maximum of two tranches of funding as a solo applicant without a producer attached as above.
- The producer (where attached) must be either: – an 'experienced producer', or – a producer who has at least two 'eligible drama credits', or – an emerging producer applying in conjunction with an 'experienced producer'.

Documentary Development

Applicants and their projects must meet the general eligibility requirements set out in Screen Australia's Terms of Trade in addition to the following:

- A sole applicant must be an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander Australian, and have at least one 'eligible documentary credit' in the role of writer, producer or director.

If applying with a team:

- The director (where attached) and any co-directors must be Australian Aboriginal or a Torres Strait Islander person
- In the case of co-writing teams, made up of Indigenous and non-Indigenous writers, the original concept must come from the First Nations Australian writer. This must be shown in the application.
- The producer or the director must have at least one 'eligible documentary credit'.
- Where the request includes shooting material, a director must be attached.
- The project must be a documentary as defined by ACMA. Screen Australia does not invest in reality or magazine television, light entertainment, panel shows, infotainment, current affairs, cooking, 'how to', sports, corporate, training, games, extensions to film or TV, or community access programs or projects whose primary market is the education sector.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G09310/info

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G09310/apply
Email: firstnations@screenaustralia.gov.au **Phone:** 1800 507 901

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First Nations Fund - Central-West Orana Renewable Energy Zone Grant

Funding Provider
Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development (NSW)

Location
NSW

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19148

Primary Category
Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander peoples

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Local Govt

Funding
Amount: $20,000 to $1,000,000
Total Pool: $10,000,000

Rounds
Closes **14 Jul 2026**

Purpose

The First Nations Fund (FNF) will build capacity of Aboriginal organisations through delivery of programs, services, infrastructure or future planning activities that provide enduring benefit within the Central-West Orana Renewable Energy Zone (REZ).

Overview

The FNF Objectives are to:

- Increase capacity of local Aboriginal organisations to support the delivery of community services, participate in opportunities in the Central-West Orana REZ and access future funding opportunities;
- Improve Aboriginal employment opportunities through access to education, skills and training programs; and
- Improve outcomes for Aboriginal people by supporting better access to health services, housing and accommodation, and other cultural programs or services.

Limitations

Eligible Applicants for Stream One are limited to Local Aboriginal Land Councils (LALCs).

Eligible Applicants for Stream Two are limited to not-for-profit, incorporated Aboriginal community organisations (i.e. initiated by, controlled and operated by Aboriginal people and/or governed by a board or committee of Aboriginal people).

All Eligible Applicants must:

- Provide evidence that they are an incorporated entity by providing either an Australian Business Number (ABN) or an Australian Company Number (ACN). Eligible organisations that are unincorporated must provide evidence that they are registered with NSW Fair Trading under the Associations Incorporation Act 2009 (NSW) or another Act or partner with an eligible organisation; and
- Have or be able and willing to purchase at least $20 million public liability insurance.

Eligible Applicants are encouraged to identify potential partnerships, including partnerships across funding streams between LALCs and Aboriginal Community Organisations. In this instance, the identified lead Applicant would apply under the relevant stream.

Partnerships are eligible where the lead applicant is an Eligible Applicant and where clear public benefit can be demonstrated. If successful, the Eligible Applicant will be solely responsible for the delivery of the project and must adhere to the terms and conditions outlined in the Funding Agreement.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19148/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19148/guidelines

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19148/apply
Email: energyco@regional.nsw.gov.au **Phone:** 1300 679 673

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First Nations Practitioner Development

Funding Provider
ScreenWest

Location
WA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G07845

Primary Category
Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander peoples

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Business

Funding
$5,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

This Fund supports Western Australian First Nations screen practitioners by contributing funding towards professional career and development opportunities.

Overview

Professional Skills Development Opportunities

- Short courses and master classes that strategically build on the practitioner's previous experience.
- Preference is given to development opportunities in positions identified as lacking in the WA First Nations screen sector, where training in these fields is not accessible in the practitioner's current place of residence.
- If Screenwest invites a practitioner to a skills development opportunity, Screenwest may cover the practitioner's basic costs directly e.g. accommodation and flights. If this is this case an application may not be required.

Travel to National Festivals and Awards

- For practitioners with projects selected to premier at a festival and/or whose project has been nominated for an award.
- For practitioners to progress their career through exposure and networking.
- For international travel, practitioners whose projects have received Screen Australia funding will need to approach Screen Australia for international travel support.

Travel to National Strategic Meetings

- For practitioners to meet with national broadcasters and Screen Australia. The practitioner needs to prove there is strong market interest in their project and that the company has a slate of projects ready for the market
- A practitioner is likely to receive this type of travel funding once per year unless an exceptional opportunity presents and a strong rationale accompanies the application.

Other Funding

- For industry market events and conferences, refer to the Screenwest Travel Support funding guidelines and apply as outlined in the advertised travel funding round.
- For placement funding, refer to the Screenwest Professional Development – Placements Fund.
- Speak to the Screenwest First Nations Executive for more information.

Funding Available

- Up to $5,000, based on the professional skills development opportunity presented
- Up to $1,500 per application for national travel destinations
    - An additional amount of up to $500 may be granted to regionally based practitioners to assist with non-direct flights

Limitations

Who is eligible?

To be considered eligible for this program, the below general minimum eligibility applies.

The applicant / company must:

- Be a Western Australian resident First Nations screen practitioner with a registered Australian Business Number (ABN) or a Western Australian First Nations Resident Company, as defined in the Screenwest Terms of Trade.

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Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
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Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G07845/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G07845/apply
Email: funding@screenwest.com.au **Phone:** 08 6169 2100

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First Nations Project Development

Funding Provider
ScreenWest

Location
WA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G07844

Primary Category
Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander peoples

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Business

Funding
$15,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Screenwest's First Nations Project Development assists Western Australian First Nations screen practitioners and production companies by providing funding assistance towards project development for scripted, factual and game sector projects.

Overview

The Indigenous Project Development Fund is for Western Australian Indigenous screen practitioners and production companies.

The following activities will be considered:

- Creative mentor/script consultant fees
- Research fees
- Writing fees and
- Producer and Director fees.

The following projects will be considered:

- Feature film
- Animated series
- Adult drama
- Series Telemovies and
- Factual television programs.

Limitations

The applicant for project development funding must be an Indigenous Western Australian Resident.

It is expected that the applicant owns 100% copyright in the project or is in a genuine co-production partnership (please refer to the Screenwest Terms of Trade).

In exceptional circumstances submissions will be assessed at Screenwest Managements discretion and be subject to guidance from the applicant in relevance to that specific situation.

Applicants who have an outstanding acquittal report and/or deliverable(s) or who do not fulfill their contractual obligations relating to prior Screenwest funding are not eligible to apply unless an alternative arrangement is agreed with Screenwest prior to application. Please contact Screenwest directly for advice on your specific situation.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online, Email

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Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G07844/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G07844/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G07844/apply
Contact: Devina McPherson
Email: devina.mcpherson@screenwest.com.au **Phone:** (08) 6169 2113

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First Peoples Curators' Program

Funding Provider
First Draft

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G09381

Primary Category
Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander peoples

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The First Peoples Curators Program supports early career Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander curators with new skills, professional presentation and development opportunities, and access to key industry networks.

Overview

Successful applicants receive

- $1,500 curator/s fee per exhibition;
- $600 artist fee per artist capped at $3,000;
- Access to Travel Fund up to $1,000 if regional or interstate based
- A fully subsidised six-week exhibition in Gallery 1;
- Professional mentorship with an established First Peoples curator;
- Access to Firstdraft's equipment and resources;
- Marketing and communications support, including professional documentation;
- An opening night event and an artist/s talk;
- Professional exhibition invigilation

Key Dates:

- Callout opens Tuesday 1 April 2025 (5pm)
- Online information session (auslan interpreted) - Wednesday 16 April 2025 at 6:30pm
- Open all year round.

Limitations

Guidelines

Firstdraft assess applications on:

- artistic merit;
- emergent and experimental nature of the practices presented;
- advancement of the applicant/s' artistic and professional practice;
- responsiveness to contemporary contexts;
- geographic, demographic and art form diversity

Applicants should also consider the following:

- New work and/or work that has not been exhibited in Sydney is preferred.
- Mid-career and more established artists must demonstrate that the work is of an experimental nature and represents a departure from their current practice.
- Preference is given to artists who have not shown at Firstdraft in the past two years

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Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G09381/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G09381/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G09381/apply
Email: info@firstdraft.org.au **Phone:** 02 8970 2999

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First Peoples Home Ownership

Funding Provider
Department of Families, Fairness and Housing (DFFH) (VIC)

Location
VIC

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19568

Primary Category
Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander peoples

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$37,500 (approx)

Rounds
Closes **30 Jun 2027**

Purpose

The program gives ready homebuyers a range of grants to help them buy their own home.

Overview

What grants are available?

- Home Buyer Booster - $2,500 to help with legal and administrative costs.
- Land transfer helper- A grant contribution, matching up to $10,000 of land transfer duty cost incurred through the transfer of land into the person's name.
- Deposit contribution - For every dollar you contribute towards your deposit, we'll match it up to a maximum of $20,000.
- New builds - if you're building or buying a newly constructed home, you can receive an extra $5,000 on top of the deposit contribution.

The program will offer the above assistance to support First Peoples in Victoria.

Limitations

To be eligible for the grants you must:

- Be of Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander descent (Confirmation of Aboriginality is required).
- Not currently own a home at the time of applying.
- Currently reside and intend to purchase a home in Victoria.
- Have an individual or household income of no more than $245,000 per annum.
- Have documented pre-approval from a financial provider.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19568/info
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19568/apply
Email: firstpeopleshomeownership@homes.vic.gov.au

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Healing for Strong Families - Aurukun

Funding Provider
National Indigenous Australians Agency

Location
QLD

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19739

Primary Category
Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander peoples

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Business

Funding
Amount: $1,680,000 (approx) to $2,820,000 (approx)

Rounds
Closes **30 Jan 2026**

Purpose

The Aurukun Healing Model reflects local priorities and cultural knowledge, integrating First Nations healing methodologies with relevant therapeutic practices. This grant opportunity seeks providers who are known and trusted within the community, built genuine relationships and uphold cultural protocols.

Overview

Delivering this Healing Model requires more than service delivery; it requires relationship-building, cultural understanding and participatory engagement. Applicants are required to demonstrate:

- Need and Community Involvement - Show evidence of strong local connections, trust, and readiness.
- Cultural Competence - Respect cultural protocols, understand histories and the impact of colonisation, and embed First Nations knowledge systems in service design and delivery.
- Capability - Provide clear evidence of organisational capacity, leadership and experience in delivering culturally-led healing services that integrate therapeutic approaches where appropriate.
- Delivering Outcomes - Commit to long-term engagement, ongoing communication and adaptive practice based on community feedback.

The maximum grant period is up to 3 years from Execution, or 30 June 2028, whichever is earlier.

Limitations

To be eligible you must:

- have an Australian Business Number (ABN) (exemptions may apply in special cases)
- be registered for the purposes of GST
- if an individual, be a permanent resident of Australia
- have an account, in your name and which you control, with an Australian financial institution

AND be one of the following entity types:

- an Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Corporation registered under *the Corporations (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander) Act 2006*(CATSI Act)
- a company incorporated in Australia under the *Corporations Act 2001*
- an incorporated association
- an incorporated cooperative (incorporated under state/territory legislation, commonly have 'Cooperative' in their legal name)
- an organisation established through a specific piece of Commonwealth or state/territory legislation including public benevolent institutions, churches and universities
- an Australian state or territory government body
- an Australian local government body
- an incorporated trustee on behalf of a trust
- a partnership
- a joint (consortia) application with a lead organisation that satisfies the entity type
- an individual with an ABN

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
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Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19739/guidelines

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Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19739/apply
Email: FamilyHealing@niaa.gov.au

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Healing for Strong Families - Coffs Harbour

Funding Provider
National Indigenous Australians Agency

Location
NSW

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19742

Primary Category
Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander peoples

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Business

Funding
Amount: $1,680,000 (approx) to $2,820,000 (approx)

Rounds
Closes **30 Jan 2026**

Purpose

The Coffs Harbour Healing Model reflects local priorities and cultural knowledge, integrating First Nations healing methodologies with relevant therapeutic practices. This grant opportunity seeks providers who are known and trusted within the community, built genuine relationships and uphold cultural protocols.

Overview

Delivering this Healing Model requires more than service delivery; it requires relationship-building, cultural understanding and participatory engagement. Applicants are required to demonstrate:

- Need and Community Involvement - Show evidence of strong local connections, trust, and readiness.
- Cultural Competence - Respect cultural protocols, understand histories and the impact of colonisation, and embed First Nations knowledge systems in service design and delivery.
- Capability - Provide clear evidence of organisational capacity, leadership and experience in delivering culturally-led healing services that integrate therapeutic approaches where appropriate.
- Delivering Outcomes - Commit to long-term engagement, ongoing communication and adaptive practice based on community feedback.

The maximum grant period is up to 3 years from Execution, or 30 June 2028, whichever is earlier.

Limitations

To be eligible you must:

- have an Australian Business Number (ABN) (exemptions may apply in special cases)
- be registered for the purposes of GST
- if an individual, be a permanent resident of Australia
- have an account, in your name and which you control, with an Australian financial institution

AND be one of the following entity types:

- an Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Corporation registered under *the Corporations (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander) Act 2006*(CATSI Act)
- a company incorporated in Australia under the *Corporations Act 2001*
- an incorporated association
- an incorporated cooperative (incorporated under state/territory legislation, commonly have 'Cooperative' in their legal name)
- an organisation established through a specific piece of Commonwealth or state/territory legislation including public benevolent institutions, churches and universities
- an Australian state or territory government body
- an Australian local government body
- an incorporated trustee on behalf of a trust
- a partnership
- a joint (consortia) application with a lead organisation that satisfies the entity type

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- an individual with an ABN

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19742/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19742/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19742/apply
Email: FamilyHealing@niaa.gov.au

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Healing for Strong Families - Perth

Funding Provider
National Indigenous Australians Agency

Location
WA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19743

Primary Category
Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander peoples

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Business

Funding
Amount: $1,680,000 (approx) to $2,820,000 (approx)

Rounds
Closes **30 Jan 2026**

Purpose

The Perth Healing Model reflects local priorities and cultural knowledge, integrating First Nations healing methodologies with relevant therapeutic practices. This grant opportunity seeks providers who are known and trusted within the community, built genuine relationships and uphold cultural protocols.

Overview

Delivering this Healing Model requires more than service delivery; it requires relationship-building, cultural understanding and participatory engagement. Applicants are required to demonstrate:

- Need and Community Involvement - Show evidence of strong local connections, trust, and readiness.
- Cultural Competence - Respect cultural protocols, understand histories and the impact of colonisation, and embed First Nations knowledge systems in service design and delivery.
- Capability - Provide clear evidence of organisational capacity, leadership and experience in delivering culturally-led healing services that integrate therapeutic approaches where appropriate.
- Delivering Outcomes - Commit to long-term engagement, ongoing communication and adaptive practice based on community feedback.

The maximum grant period is up to 3 years from Execution, or 30 June 2028, whichever is earlier.

Limitations

To be eligible you must:

- have an Australian Business Number (ABN) (exemptions may apply in special cases)
- be registered for the purposes of GST
- if an individual, be a permanent resident of Australia
- have an account, in your name and which you control, with an Australian financial institution

AND be one of the following entity types:

- an Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Corporation registered under *the Corporations (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander) Act 2006*(CATSI Act)
- a company incorporated in Australia under the *Corporations Act 2001*
- an incorporated association
- an incorporated cooperative (incorporated under state/territory legislation, commonly have 'Cooperative' in their legal name)

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- an organisation established through a specific piece of Commonwealth or state/territory legislation including public benevolent institutions, churches and universities
- an Australian state or territory government body
- an Australian local government body
- an incorporated trustee on behalf of a trust
- a partnership
- a joint (consortia) application with a lead organisation that satisfies the entity type
- an individual with an ABN

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19743/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19743/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19743/apply
Email: FamilyHealing@niaa.gov.au

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Healing for Strong Families - Port Augusta

Funding Provider
National Indigenous Australians Agency

Location
SA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19744

Primary Category
Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander peoples

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Business

Funding
Amount: $1,680,000 (approx) to $2,820,000 (approx)

Rounds
Closes **30 Jan 2026**

Purpose

The Port Augusta Healing Model reflects local priorities and cultural knowledge, integrating First Nations healing methodologies with relevant therapeutic practices. This grant opportunity seeks providers who are known and trusted within the community, built genuine relationships and uphold cultural protocols.

Overview

Delivering this Healing Model requires more than service delivery; it requires relationship-building, cultural understanding and participatory engagement. Applicants are required to demonstrate:

- Need and Community Involvement - Show evidence of strong local connections, trust, and readiness.
- Cultural Competence - Respect cultural protocols, understand histories and the impact of colonisation, and embed First Nations knowledge systems in service design and delivery.
- Capability - Provide clear evidence of organisational capacity, leadership and experience in delivering culturally-led healing services that integrate therapeutic approaches where appropriate.
- Delivering Outcomes - Commit to long-term engagement, ongoing communication and adaptive practice based on community feedback.

The maximum grant period is up to 3 years from Execution, or 30 June 2028, whichever is earlier.

Limitations

To be eligible you must:

- have an Australian Business Number (ABN) (exemptions may apply in special cases)
- be registered for the purposes of GST
- if an individual, be a permanent resident of Australia
- have an account, in your name and which you control, with an Australian financial institution

AND be one of the following entity types:

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- an Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Corporation registered under *the Corporations (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander) Act 2006*(CATSI Act)
- a company incorporated in Australia under the *Corporations Act 2001*
- an incorporated association
- an incorporated cooperative (incorporated under state/territory legislation, commonly have 'Cooperative' in their legal name)
- an organisation established through a specific piece of Commonwealth or state/territory legislation including public benevolent institutions, churches and universities
- an Australian state or territory government body
- an Australian local government body
- an incorporated trustee on behalf of a trust
- a partnership
- a joint (consortia) application with a lead organisation that satisfies the entity type
- an individual with an ABN

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19744/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19744/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19744/apply
Email: FamilyHealing@niaa.gov.au

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Home Buyer Booster Grant

Funding Provider
Aboriginal Housing Office (NSW)

Location
NSW

Funding Type
Cash Grant G15507

Primary Category
Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander peoples

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$2,500

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The purpose of the Home Buyer Booster Grant is to help with some of the expenses associated with buying a property, like legal and administrative costs.

Overview

Grant money can be used for:

- legal fees including the administrative costs of buying a property, and preparing a will
- property valuations
- home and contents insurance
- surveying costs
- pest and building inspections
- stamp duty (for non-housing tenants). Aboriginal people living in social housing are exempt from Stamp Duty as per Section 278 of the Duties Act 1997 (NSW).
- any unspent funds can be used towards other costs associated with buying a home (e.g. moving costs)

Funding Amount: Up to $2,500

For an application form, send an email to homeownership@aho.nsw.gov.au

Limitations

Eligibility:

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This grant is open to Aboriginal people who are in the process of buying a home. Applications open to social housing tenants.

To be eligible for the Home Buy Booster Grant grant you must be an Aboriginal person who:

- has pre-approval from a lender
- can show confirmation of Aboriginality from a Local Aboriginal Land Council or an Aboriginal Registered Organisation
- has a maximum individual/combined annual income of up to $200,000
- has saved at least $1,000 toward a deposit
- currently lives in NSW and is purchasing a property in NSW
- does not currently own residential property (with the exception of land)
- has not qualified for Indigenous Business Australia (IBA) Remote Indigenous Home Loan package.

The main applicant must be Aboriginal and take on at least 25% ownership of the property being purchased.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Email
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G15507/info
Email: homeownership@aho.nsw.gov.au

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Ida West Aboriginal Health Scholarship - 2026

Funding Provider
Department of Health (TAS)

Location
TAS

Funding Type
Scholarship S05750

Primary Category
Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander peoples

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$5,000
Total Pool: $15,000

Rounds
Closes **8 Feb 2026**

Purpose

The Ida West Aboriginal Health Scholarship provides financial assistance to Aboriginal students completing a formal qualification at university or vocational education in a health and or human services related field.

Overview

The scholarship is open only to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Students.

Three (3) Scholarships will be awarded each year with a total maximum value per scholarship of $5,000 per year up to a maximum value of $15,000 for each scholarship.

The Scholarships will be paid in equal installments to the scholarship holder at the beginning of each year, subject to ongoing satisfactory academic performance.

Scholarship holders who have already completed part of their course will not receive backdated payments for parts of the course already completed.

Limitations

Like the Australian Government, the Tasmanian Government uses a three part test to determine eligibility for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander programs and services.

The three part test requires a person to:

- have Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander ancestry; and
- self-identify as an Aboriginal person and/or Torres Strait Islander; and
- be recognised as an Aboriginal person and/or Torres Strait Islander by the Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander community in which they live or have lived.

Applicants must be:

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- current residents of Tasmania or,
- intending to move to Tasmania to commence study in Tasmania in the year that the scholarship applies.

Tasmanian residents enrolling in qualifications interstate which are available in Tasmania will be eligible, but not given priority.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05750/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05750/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05750/apply
Contact: Office of the Chief Nurse and Midwifery Officer **Address:** Department of Health and Human Services Education and Training GPO Box 125 HOBART 7001 TASMANIA
Email: iws@dhhs.tas.gov.au **Phone:** (03) 6166 1570

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Indigenous Youth Mobility Pathways Project (IYMP)

Funding Providers
Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet
Career Employment Australia (CEA)

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G08247

Primary Category
Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander peoples

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Indigenous Youth Mobility Pathways project (IYMP) supports Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander young people who choose to move away from home to gain the qualifications they need to have a greater chance of obtaining sustainable employment in their home community or elsewhere.

Overview

IYMP provides the tailored support young Indigenous Australians need to pursue their dreams and achieve their long-term career goals. They aim to build careers, not just jobs.

IYMP addresses and removes the barriers to education and employment providing holistic support to young Indigenous people whilst engaged in the project.

IYMP staff walk beside each participant throughout their journey. IYMP provides support to over 230 young Indigenous people per year across Australia

Indigenous youth are supported to move to an IYMP host location to participate in vocational training, University and Australian Apprenticeships. IYMP helps to identify uniquely suitable education and employment opportunities so Indigenous youth have a positive educational experience and gain the knowledge and skills required to pursue their specific career goals.

IYMP participants are supported in every aspect of life, education alone is not enough. IYMP aspires to teach all the life skills required to live an independent and meaningful life beyond IYMP support. IYMP cultivate First Nation leaders who inspire other young Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to chase their dreams, take skills back to their home community and build the capacity of remote communities across the country.

Limitations

Eligibility Requirements

- From a remote or regional community
- Aged between 16 and 24 years upon commencement of the project

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- Willing to commit to a suitable career pathway, work hard to achieve set goals and become a future leader.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G08247/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G08247/apply
Email: iympheadoffice@ceagroup.com.au **Phone:** (07) 3396 3965

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Ninganah No More

Funding Provider
Department of Education (NSW)

Location
NSW

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19733

Primary Category
Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander peoples

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Business

Funding
$120,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **20 Feb 2026 midnight**

Purpose

This program aims to increase the number of early childhood services across NSW providing access to Aboriginal languages and to support culturally safe and responsive early childhood education and care (ECEC) in NSW.

Overview

It provides an opportunity for Aboriginal culture and identity to be nurtured in the earliest stage of formal education across NSW. This recognises the importance of cultural identity and the role it plays in children's development and learning outcomes.

The 2026-29 program builds on the success of an initial Ninganah No More (NNM) program. It also incorporates feedback from current providers, families and other stakeholders from a review of the program. The refreshed program aims to close participation gaps and ensure that early learning services are more responsive to the diverse needs of communities. It places a strong emphasis on cultural inclusivity and accessibility, particularly for Aboriginal children. There is a focus on supporting and measuring the delivery of Aboriginal language and culture within early learning environments.

The NNM program has 6 core objectives:

1. Aboriginal language and culture are present in ECEC programs.
2. The number of Aboriginal children learning an Aboriginal language is increased.
3. Aboriginal children remain connected to culture and grow their cultural identity through language.
4. ECEC services establish and maintain connection with their local Aboriginal community.
5. Inclusive learning environments for Aboriginal children.
6. Children in the early years have the opportunity to learn Aboriginal languages.

Grants of $30,000 are available per ECEC service, per calendar year from 2026-29 (that is, 4 years).

Limitations

Applications for NNM must be from:

- Aboriginal community-controlled organisations (ACCOs) providing ECEC services **or**
- an Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander organisation (for example, Office of the Registrar of Indigenous Corporations (ORIC) registration, documentation showing 51% Aboriginal ownership, or any other relevant documentation) providing ECEC services **or**
- an organisation that is a recognised ECEC service provider under the *Education and Care Services National Law Act 2010(National Law) (for children aged 0-5 years)*.

Organisations must also meet the following eligibility criteria:

- be able and committed to deliver the NNM language program to one of the following services:

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    - an Aboriginal Child and Family Centre
    - a Multifunctional Aboriginal Child Service
    - a mobile or centre-based community preschool
    - a not-for-profit long day care service.
- not be funded to deliver Aboriginal language programs to the same ECEC services from other source.
- be able and committed to ensure the language program is co-developed and delivered by a local language Aboriginal teacher together with either a certificate III diploma qualified educator or an early childhood teacher.
- if the applicant is not an ACCO and is a provider of language services, the applicant must have complied with their obligations under the *Aboriginal Languages Act 2017 (NSW)*, including the requirement to notify the Aboriginal Languages Trust of the establishment and operation of their service
- if an organisation is unable to access a language teacher, funding may be approved by the department's Director Aboriginal ECO to support teacher training and the development of appropriate learning resources to facilitate program delivery
- documented support from the community where the program will be delivered. This can be demonstrated by the following:
    - the department seeks letter(s) of community support that the applicant organisation is recognised as an ACCO, or as an Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander organisation (for example, Office of the Registrar of Indigenous Corporations (ORIC) registration, documentation showing 51% Aboriginal ownership, or any other relevant documentation), or
    - if the applicant is not an ACCO, a letter of support for the individual language teacher from a recognised Aboriginal organisation (for example, NSW AECG or local AECG, NSW Land Council, NSW Aboriginal Regional Alliance, or another relevant local Aboriginal organisation).

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19733/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19733/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19733/apply
Email: AboriginalprogramsECED@det.nsw.edu.au

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Our Country Our Future

Funding Provider
Indigenous Land and Sea Corporation (ILSC)

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Pro Bono Services U00184

Primary Category
Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander peoples

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Business

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Our Country Our Future is the Indigenous Land and Sea Corporation's principal funding program who work with Indigenous groups across Australia to own and manage land and water interests.

Overview

They offer a wide range of assistance to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander groups seeking support for their projects including:

- direct funding for purchasing, managing and/or developing land or water-related interests
- advice and capability support for property owners including information, knowledge and training to assist with project development and delivery
- facilitation, advocacy and negotiation to develop partnerships, markets and other opportunities

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ILSC partner with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander groups across the broad diversity of Indigenous Australia:

- from cities to regional and remote areas
- from inland to coastal environments
- across a range of sectors including cultural and eco-tourism, renewables and energy, fisheries and aquaculture, caring for Country, carbon and environmental markets, health and wellbeing, and water-based enterprises and assets, etc.

Our Country Our Future is flexible so you can apply anytime. If you are interested in submitting an application please get in touch with the funder on a free call to 1800 818 490 to discuss your enquiry.

Limitations

To apply for funding, you must be able to answer 'yes' to the following:

- Does your project involve the acquisition or management of land and/or water-related interests?
- *For projects that involve acquisition*: Are you an incorporated entity (or in the process of becoming incorporated) and are you Indigenous controlled?
- *For projects that involve management*: Are you one of the following;
    - An Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander holder of land or a water-related right
    - An organisation interested in investing in Indigenous-held land or waters?
- Does your project have the support of the Indigenous land/water holders and have they provided their consent for its use?
- Will Indigenous Australians enjoy access, opportunities and benefits from land or waters as a result of your project?
- Are you compliant with your incorporating legislation and any agreements you currently have with the ILSC?

Our Country Our Future will *not* fund:

- Activities that do not align with its statutory purposes, or do not generate any benefits for Indigenous people
- Activities that are the responsibility of another agency
- Any ongoing service delivery/program costs
- Any ongoing operational costs such as insurance, rates, power, water, etc.
- Administration/sitting fees
- Livestock (if applicable)

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Phone
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00184/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00184/guidelines
Website: https://www.ilsc.gov.au/contact/ **Phone:** 1800 818 490

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PBC Capacity Building Grant for Native Title Corporations

Funding Providers
Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet
National Indigenous Australians Agency

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G07912

Primary Category
Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander peoples

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- State Govt
- Individual
- Business
- Local Govt
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
Amount: $50,000 (approx) to $750,000 (approx)
Total Pool: $5,400,000 (approx)

Rounds
Ongoing

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Purpose

The primary objective of this funding is to assist Prescribed Bodies Corporate (PBCs) to generate economic benefits through the effective and sustainable management of their land.

Overview

The Government recognises the essential role PBCs play in supporting native title holders to take advantage of opportunities arising from their native title rights. It is providing $114.8 million over 4 years (from 2024-25 to 2028-29) to support PBCs to undertake capacity building. This funding can be used for activities that aim to:

- Increase the capacity of PBCs to take advantage of economic opportunities.
- Build long-term organisational capacity within PBCs.
- Support effective native title agreement-making.

The types of activities that can be funded include:

- Developing strategic, economic development and other planning frameworks.
- Developing corporate structures, controls, policies and procedures.
- Delivering training, development and mentoring opportunities for directors, staff and members.
- Establishing information and communications technology and equipment, including website development.
- Establishing an office and obtaining equipment to support business functions and opportunities.
- Engaging staff or professional services to deliver one-off capacity-building activities.
- Bringing PBCs together on a regional basis to increase local and regional capacity.

It is anticipated that most grants will be between $50,000-$750,000, depending on the scope of the grant activity and its complexity. There is no maximum grant amount, but grants cannot exceed the amount of available funds. The Agency may award grants as one-off payments or on a single-year or multi-year basis at its discretion.

Limitations

Who can apply for funding?

To be eligible to apply for funding under the PBC Capacity Building grant opportunity you must:

- be a Registered Native Title Body Corporate (RNTBC), registered under the Corporations (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander) Act 2006 (Cth) (the CATSI Act);
- be a Prescribed Body Corporate (PBC), that is registered under the CATSI Act;
- be a joint (consortia) application (see section ‘7.3. Joint Applications’);
- be a recognised Native Title Representative Body/Service Provider (NTRB/SP);
- be a relevant peak body working with PBCs and in the native title sector;
- be a Traditional Owner Corporation (TOC), incorporated for the purposes of representing Traditional Owners recognised under the Traditional Owner Settlement Act 2010 (Victoria);
- be a Traditional Owner Group Entity (TOGE) established for the purposes of representing traditional owners under an alternative native title settlement agreement; or
- be a third party such as a law firm or interest group who has written authorisation (board resolution or letter from the CEO) of one or more PBCs/RNTBCs intended to benefit from the grant.

AND

- have an Australian Business Number (ABN) (exemptions may apply in special cases);
- where relevant, be registered for the purposes of GST;
- if an individual, be a permanent resident of Australia; and
- have an account with an Australian financial institution.

AND be one of the following entity types:

- an Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Corporation registered under the CATSI Act;
- a company incorporated in Australia under the Corporations Act 2001 (Cth) (the Corporations Act);
- an incorporated association (incorporated under state/territory legislation, commonly have 'Association' or 'Incorporated' or 'Inc' in their legal name);
- an incorporated cooperative (also incorporated under state/territory legislation, commonly have ’Cooperative' in their legal name);
- an organisation established through a specific piece of Commonwealth or state/territory legislation including public benevolent institutions, churches and universities;
- an Australian state or territory government body;
- an Australian local government body;
- an incorporated trustee on behalf of a trust;
- a partnership; or
- an individual with an ABN.

The Agency will not accept your application unless you:

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- have contacted and consulted with the NIAA Regional Office in your area;
- have rectified any issues of previous non-compliance with existing Commonwealth agreements to the satisfaction of the Commonwealth, or be in the process of rectifying any issues of noncompliance with existing Commonwealth agreements to the satisfaction of the Commonwealth; and
- are financially viable to the Agency's satisfaction. The application form has questions about financial viability. The Agency may undertake its own enquiries in relation to the applicant's financial viability.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G07912/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G07912/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G07912/apply
Email: NativeTitle@niaa.gov.au **Phone:** 1800 079 098

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Pirrku Kuu Hub EOI

Funding Provider
South Australian Film Corporation (SAFC)

Location
SA

Funding Type
In-kind Contribution U00637

Primary Category
Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander peoples

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Pirrku Kuu Hub provides free technology and meeting facilities for First Nations screen practitioners to connect with and thrive within the South Australian screen sector.

Overview

The Pirrku Kuu Hub, meaning "Story Room" in Kaurna, is a free co-working space for First Nations screen practitioners at Adelaide Studios.

The Pirrku Kuu Hub offers First Nations screen practitioners:

- Two Apple computer workstations with Final Cut Pro, and one workstation with a dock for laptop usage,
- Boardroom style central meeting table and yarn board (whiteboard) featuring artwork by Danielle Mate,
- Meeting table seating for six, plus sofa,
- Wireless speaker (on request),
- Wi-Fi,
- Access to a shared kitchen,
- Wheelchair accessible,
- Access from Monday to Friday, 9.00am to 5.00pm (excl. public holidays).

Limitations

To be eligible to use the Pirrku Kuu Hub you must:

- Identify as Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander and recognised as such by the community;
- Be aged 18 or over;
- Be actively pursuing a career in the screen industry.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00637/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00637/guidelines

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Prescribed Bodies Corporate (PBC) Capacity Building Grant

Funding Provider
National Indigenous Australians Agency

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G11553

Primary Category
Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander peoples

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Business

Funding
Amount: $50,000 (approx) to $750,000 (approx)
Total Pool: $32,110,000

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Prescribed Bodies Corporate (PBC) Capacity Building Grant Funding is available to support PBCs to maximise the economic and social potential of native title through the effective and sustainable management of their land.

Overview

The objectives of the PBC Capacity Building Grant are to:

- increase the capacity of PBCs to take advantage of economic opportunities;
- build long-term organisational capacity within PBCs through training and obtaining professional expertise (for example, business or agribusiness consultancies, accountancy or legal services); and
- support effective native title agreement-making.

The outcomes of the PBC Capacity Building Grant are to:

- build capacity of PBCs to maximise the social, cultural and economic aspirations of their native title-holding group; and
- build capacity of PBCs to meet corporate compliance and native title obligations, and promote greater efficiency in land use decision-making.

There is no minimum amount of grant funding, with most grants anticipated to be between $50,000- $750,000, depending on the scope of the grant activity and its complexity. There is no maximum grant amount but grants cannot exceed the amount of available funds. There is a total pool of $32,110,000 for 2025-26.

Limitations

To be eligible to apply for funding under the PBC Capacity Building grant opportunity you must:

- be a Registered Native Title Body Corporate (RNTBC), registered under the Corporations (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander) Act 2006 (Cth) (the CATSI Act);
- be a Prescribed Body Corporate (PBC), that is registered under the CATSI Act;
- be a joint (consortia) application (see section '7.3. Joint Applications');
- be a recognised Native Title Representative Body/Service Provider (NTRB/SP);
- be a relevant peak body working with PBCs and in the native title sector;
- be a Traditional Owner Corporation (TOC), incorporated for the purposes of representing Traditional Owners recognised under the Traditional Owner Settlement Act 2010 (Victoria);
- be a Traditional Owner Group Entity (TOGE) established for the purposes of representing traditional owners under an alternative native title settlement agreement; or
- be a third party such as a law firm or interest group who has written authorisation (board resolution or letter from the CEO) of one or more PBCs/RNTBCs intended to benefit from the grant.

AND

- have an Australian Business Number (ABN) (exemptions may apply in special cases);
- where relevant, be registered for the purposes of GST;

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- if an individual, be a permanent resident of Australia; and
- have an account with an Australian financial institution.

AND be one of the following entity types:

- an Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Corporation registered under the CATSI Act;
- a company incorporated in Australia under the Corporations Act 2001 (Cth) (the Corporations Act);
- an incorporated association (incorporated under state/territory legislation, commonly have 'Association' or 'Incorporated' or 'Inc' in their legal name);
- an incorporated cooperative (also incorporated under state/territory legislation, commonly have 'Cooperative' in their legal name);
- an organisation established through a specific piece of Commonwealth or state/territory legislation including public benevolent institutions, churches and universities;
- an Australian state or territory government body;
- an Australian local government body;
- an incorporated trustee on behalf of a trust;
- a partnership; or
- an individual with an ABN.

Community groups that are not eligible to apply for funding are encouraged to consider partnering with an eligible organisation.

The Agency will not accept your application unless you:

- have contacted and consulted with the NIAA Regional Office in your area;
- have rectified any issues of previous non-compliance with existing Commonwealth agreements to the satisfaction of the Commonwealth, or be in the process of rectifying any issues of noncompliance with existing Commonwealth agreements to the satisfaction of the Commonwealth; and
- are financially viable to the Agency's satisfaction. The application form has questions about financial viability. The Agency may undertake its own enquiries in relation to the applicant's financial viability.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G11553/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G11553/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G11553/apply
Email: nativetitle@niaa.gov.au **Phone:** 1800 079 098

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Reconciliation Day Grants

Funding Provider
Health and Community Services Directorate (ACT)

Location
ACT

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19488

Primary Category
Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander peoples

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual

Funding
$5,000

Rounds
Closes **6 Jan 2026 3:00PM AEDT**

Purpose

This grant is for Canberrans to celebrate Reconciliation Day and Reconciliation Week.

Overview

This program aims to fund meaningful initiatives in the lead-up to, during, or in support of Reconciliation Day.

- Reconciliation Day is a public holiday on 1 June 2026
- Reconciliation Week runs from 27 May to 3 June 2026.

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They give priority to those who can show that they:

- integrate Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and communities into their organisation structures. This may include as board members, staff and senior management positions, or advisory services
- work with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in a culturally appropriate way
- recognise the need to include Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and communities in service design and delivery.

Limitations

Organisations can apply if they:

- are a non-government, legally incorporated entity, or support by an incorporated auspicing organisation
- are a registered not-for-profit or a charitable organisation
- can show that the program, project, or activity will be of benefit to ACT Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community
- can show their strong connection to the ACT Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Community
- have no overdue acquittals
- have the right level of insurance to cover their event.

Individuals can apply if they:

- are over the age of 18 years old
- live in the ACT or surrounding regions
- have no overdue acquittals.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19488/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19488/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19488/apply
Email: CSDServiceFundingSupport@act.gov.au

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Research Program

Funding Provider
Wiri Yuwiburra Community Benefits Trust (WYCBT)

Location
QLD

Funding Type
Cash Grant G15994

Primary Category
Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander peoples

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Business
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
$5,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **31 Dec 2025**

Purpose

This grant supports assistance with preserving histories and languages from primary sources or documenting family histories.

Overview

Examples of the types of activities that could potentially be funded under this program area:

- Assistance with preserving histories and language from primary sources.
- Documenting family histories

This grant is available for one application per calendar year for a maximum of $5,000.

If you have any queries about your funding application, please contact the Trust's Grants Administrator on 0499 992 865 or email administration@wycbt.org.au.

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Limitations

General Eligibility

The Trust is governed by a Trust Deed. To be eligible to apply for a grant from the Trust, the applicant must be a "Beneficiary".

The Trust Deed defines that a "Beneficiary" is the following groups of people:

- Any Wiri, Yuwiburra and Barada Barna Peoples, regardless of residential status.
- Any member of the broader Birri Gubba Nation resident in the Agreement Area

Information relevant to the Research Program

Specific guidelines and information that relate to this area of funding are as follows:

- Funding applications must first be pursued through existing avenues (eg Link Up, Personal Histories, State Library). If those applications are unsuccessful (and the Trust can request documentary evidence of this) the Trust may grant funding for the following purposes:
    - Assistance with preserving histories and languages from primary sources; and
    - Documenting Family Histories.
- Any funding received towards the research from a third party must be declared to the Trust.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G15994/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G15994/guidelines

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G15994/apply
Email: admin@WYCBT.org.au **Phone:** 0499 992 865

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Resolution payments under the Youpla Support Program

Funding Providers
Services Australia
National Indigenous Australians Agency

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G14613

Primary Category
Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander peoples

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **30 Jun 2026 11:59pm AEST**

Purpose

This grant opportunity is part of the Youpla Support Program, which was announced by the Australian Government on 8 February 2024 as its enduring resolution for people impacted by the collapse of the funeral insurance provider, the Youpla Group.

Overview

The Youpla Group (formerly the Aboriginal Community Benefits Fund) was a funeral expenses insurer that primarily marketed its products to First Nations people. The Youpla Group entered liquidation in March 2022, leaving many people without cover, inflicting significant cultural, emotional and financial harm on many First Nations people and communities.

The Youpla Support Program will provide a Resolution Payment to Eligible Persons to help them recover from this harm.

Subject to the exclusions set out in the Youpla Support Program Guidelines an Eligible Person will be offered as a Funeral Bond (delivered as a procurement) as the default option with the right to opt out and receive a Cash Payment (delivered as a grant).

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The Funeral Bond will be procured by NIAA on behalf of the Eligible Person.

The Cash Payment will be made to the Eligible Person as a grant under the Youpla Support Guidelines.

Limitations

The Australian Government has determined that, to be eligible for the Resolution Payment, a person must have either:

- held a Youpla Group policy that was active on or after 1 August 2015, or
- been awarded a determination by the Australian Financial Complaints Authority (AFCA) in their favour against the Youpla Group, and this determination remains unpaid.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G14613/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G14613/guidelines
Email: Youpla@niaa.gov.au **Phone:** 1800 136 380

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Skills for Education and Employment (SEE) First Nations - Delivery Grant

Funding Provider
Department of Employment and Workplace Relations

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19439

Primary Category
Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander peoples

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Business

Funding
Amount: $350,000 to $3,000,000
Total Pool: $46,800,000

Rounds
Closes **9 Feb 2026 3:00 pm (ACT Local Time)**

Purpose

The program will fund place-based whole of community projects designed to meet the community's English language, literacy, numeracy and digital literacy training needs.

Overview

SEE First Nations grants will fund First Nations organisations including Aboriginal Community Controlled Organisations (ACCOs), registered training organisations (RTOs), Adult Community Education (ACE) providers or peak bodies (applying on behalf of their eligible members) to work with communities to design appropriate training. These organisations will need to demonstrate in their grant application that they have experience delivering this kind of training to First Nations Australians and they have true community support.

There are two types of grants available, **this record refers to Delivery Grants**:

- **Scoping Grants** – provide funding for community engagement, and relationship and capacity building and to establish if there is a need for English LLND training in a community and to prepare an application for a Delivery Grant. Scoping Grants have a maximum value of $30,000.
- **Delivery Grants** – are grants to eligible organisations to co-design and deliver English LLND skills training to First Nations people. Delivery grants will typically be for between $350,000 and $1 million per year over a 2-to-3-year period for a single site, or up to $3 million per year for delivery at multiple sites. This is the major component of SEE First Nations.

Limitations

To be eligible to apply for a Delivery Grant, your organisation must be either a:

- ACCO
- First Nations RTO

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- First Nations ACE provider (which may or may not be RTOs)
- First Nations Community Organisation peak bodies (applying on behalf of their eligible members)
- and have the legal capacity to enter into a grant with the Commonwealth
- be affiliated with the community/communities on whose behalf they apply, or partnering with an organisation that is. In the case of a peak body this refers to the community affiliation of the member organisation you are applying on behalf of. Community affiliation can be demonstrated by providing evidence such as:
    - annual reports showing us that you have local community involvement at a board/employment level etc.
    - statements of support from community leaders.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19439/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19439/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19439/apply
Email: SEEFirstNations@dewr.gov.au

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Start-Up Finance Package

Funding Provider
Indigenous Business Australia (IBA)

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Low Or No-interest Loan G10843

Primary Category
Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander peoples

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Business

Funding
$150,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Start-up Finance Package provides Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander start-ups with access to loans to help new businesses get off the ground.

Overview

Overview

The start-up finance package is up to $150,000 and includes:

- up to 30% of a new business loan as a grant to purchase assets for the business which does not need to be repaid
- flexible loan repayment options
- no application or line service fees
- loan term of 7 years
- minimum security requirements.

Applications can be made at any time.

Limitations

What are the eligibility criteria?

To be eligible, you must:

- be at least 18 and of Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander descent
- own at least 50% of the business, or have at least 50% of the business owned by people of indigenous descent
- have less than $400,000 in annual turnover
- have been trading for less than 2 years
- have a commercially viable business model.

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Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Phone
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G10843/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G10843/guidelines
Phone: 1800 107 107

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Stolen Generations Reparations Package

Funding Provider
Department of Justice & Community Safety (VIC)

Location
VIC

Funding Type
Cash Grant G13288

Primary Category
Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander peoples

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$100,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **31 Mar 2027**

Purpose

The package is to help address the trauma and suffering caused by the forced removal of Aboriginal children from their families, community, culture, identity and language.

Overview

The Victorian Government was directly involved in overseeing Aboriginal child removals and adoptions. The forcible removal of Aboriginal children has had devastating and long-lasting effects on the Stolen Generations, their families and their descendants.

The Stolen Generations Reparations Package commenced on 31 March 2022 and operates for five years. If you are found eligible for the Package, you can choose to receive a $100,000 reparations payment. You will also be able to choose from restorative reparations, including an apology, healing services and access to your records.

Support Services:

Once you have submitted your application for the package, you can access support services, including:

- trauma-informed counselling
- financial counselling
- legal advice.

Funding is available for each of these supports:

- trauma-informed counselling – up to 35 hours at up to $240 per hour (including GST)
- financial counselling – up to five hours at up to $250 per hour (including GST)
- legal advice – up to five hours at up to $400 per hour (including GST).

Limitations

Eligibility

You are eligible to receive a package if you:

- are an Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander person
- were first removed from your family by a government or non-government agency before 31 December 1976, while under the age of 18 years
- were first removed in Victoria
- were separated from your family for a period of time that resulted in the experience of loss of family, community, culture, identity and language
- are living at the time of lodging your Application Form, and have lodged a valid application with all necessary supporting identification documents and

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- have followed the process in these Guidelines to make an application.

To avoid any doubt, if you are otherwise eligible to the Package, you will still be eligible if:

- you were adopted, including if your parents signed a consent to adopt form
- you have previously received payment for abuse due to separation from family, such as a civil litigation payment or a National Redress Scheme payment
- you have previously received reparations under a Stolen Generations redress scheme in another state or territory or
- you are incarcerated.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online, Email
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G13288/info
Email: stolen.generations@justice.vic.gov.au **Phone:** 1800 566 071

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Storytelling and Recording: First Nations Project Fund

Funding Provider
Creative Australia

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19800

Primary Category
Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander peoples

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Business
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
Amount: $10,000 to $50,000

Rounds
Closes **9 Feb 2026**

Purpose

Storytelling and Recording: First Nations Project Fund supports First Nations media organisations and individuals in creating and sharing culturally significant arts and cultural content. This includes community-based radio and television broadcasting, cultural recordings, community storytelling, and technical media training.

Overview

The initiative amplifies First Nations voices, fosters cultural preservation, and broadens audience participation through enhanced media production.

Activities and projects must be completed within a 12-month period, running from 1 July 2026 to 1 July 2027. Any activity falling outside this timeframe will be deemed ineligible.

Projects must adhere to First Nations Cultural and Intellectual Property (ICIP) Protocols, demonstrating collaboration, cultural respect, self-determination, communication, consultation, consent, attribution, benefit sharing, recognition and protection, thoughtful information-sharing practices with First Nations communities.

Program Goals This program aims to expand representation, preserve cultural heritage, and build capacity by:
- Increasing representation through elevating visibility for First Nations voices and stories across media platforms.
- Enhancing accessibility by creating opportunities for First Nations audiences to engage with First Nations content.
- Fostering skills development and empowering First Nations communities with technical and media skills for long-term impact.
- Preserving cultural legacy through supporting projects that document traditional practices, languages, and histories to ensure knowledge continuity for future generations.

Limitations

Eligible applicants include:

- First Nations media organisations and individuals producing arts or cultural content (radio, television, podcasting or community-based projects)

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- First Nations organisations and individuals working in First Nations storytelling, language recording, or cultural documentation
- First Nations organisations and individuals focused on collaboration, technical training, cultural projects, or educational resources.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19800/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19800/apply
Website: https://creative.gov.au/about-us/contact-us/ **Email:** joseph.clarke@creative.gov.au

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Telstra National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Art Awards (NATSIAA)

Funding Providers
Telstra
The Museum and Art Gallery of the Northern Territory (MAGNT)

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Award A00812

Primary Category
Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander peoples

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
Amount: $15,000 to $100,000
Total Pool: $190,000

Rounds
Closes **23 Feb 2026**

Purpose

The Telstra National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Art Awards encourages submissions from established, mid-career and emerging Indigenous artists from across the country.

Overview

Telstra NATSIAA awards a total of $190,000 in prize money each year. The overall Telstra Art Award of $100,000 cash (excl. GST) is awarded to the artwork considered by the judges to be the most outstanding artwork in the exhibition.

The following Award Categories offer the Award recipient $15,000 (excl. GST) and are chosen by the judges:

1. Telstra General Painting Award
2. Telstra Bark Painting Award
3. Telstra Work on Paper Award
4. Wandjuk Marika Memorial 3D Award (sponsored by Telstra)
5. Telstra Multimedia Award
6. Telstra Emerging Artist Award

In addition to the above award categories is the Telstra People's Choice Award, which is a non-monetary Award, chosen by popular vote. The People's Choice Award will be open for voting for the run of the exhibition.

Limitations

Eligibility and conditions of entry

An Artist is eligible to participate in Telstra NATSIAA if the individual or collective complies with the following conditions:

- The Artist/s identifies as an Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander person.
- The Artist/s can enter as an individual and/or as collective with other Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander artists.
- Members of the Telstra NATSIAA Selection Panel and Judging Panel are not eligible to enter the Awards, nor are Telstra and MAGNT employees and their immediate relatives.

Completing the entry form:

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- An Artist can apply as an individual, completing their Entry Form themselves and representing themselves in all Telstra NATSIAA matters. Telstra NATSIAA requires the Artist to be the primary contact and MAGNT will liaise with them directly. If required, MAGNT will provide Translator support at its own expense. Artists can also provide a secondary contact but if the secondary contact is an organisation or entity they must be a current Dealer Member of the Indigenous Art Code.
- An Artist can apply through an Agent who will complete the Entry Form on their behalf. The Artist has consented and selected their Agent to be the contact person in Telstra NATSIAA matters such as correspondence with MAGNT and Telstra. Where this Agent is an organisation or entity, the Agent must be a current Dealer Member of the Indigenous Art Code.
- The Artist must agree to the Declaration on the online Entry Form.

Number of entries:

- Each Artist is permitted to submit two Artworks total into Telstra NATSIAA:
    - one Artwork created solely by an individual Artist
    - one Artwork created in collaboration with other Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Artists as a collective.
- An Artist must choose which Category their Artwork is entered into. An Artist can enter their individual and collaborative Artworks in any Category they are eligible for.
- In the case of Collaborative Artworks, the nature of the collaboration needs to be specified in the Entry Form. A Collaborative Artwork is only eligible if it is the work of two or more Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander artists and the work is their principal artistic vision and creative output. The details of each of the artists must be included in the online Entry Form including their name, place of residence, date of birth and language groups.
- Telstra NATSIAA accepts that some artists work with assistance or technical support to produce their work. This may be from an Indigenous or non-Indigenous Assistant. The Artist must confirm that any individual who has assisted an Artist, has done so under the Artist's direction. Assistance must not alter or effect the Artist's creative content or artistic intent. The Artist may provide details of any Assistant/s they wish to acknowledge or thank in the relevant part of the Entry Form - including a description of the type of assistance that was provided and confirming that any assistance was provided under the Artist's direction.
- If an Artist chooses to list an Assistant/s, you must identify if the Assistant is to be acknowledged in the Telstra NATSIAA exhibition and catalogue caption. Telstra NATSIAA will not consider an Assistant as an Artist or as an active party within Telstra NATSIAA matters.
- If the Artist does not comply with any of the above eligibility requirements, the Artist will become ineligible.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/A00812/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/A00812/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/A00812/apply
Contact: Fiona Bennie, Exhibition Officer
Email: fiona.bennie@magnt.net.au **Phone:** (08) 8936 4208

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The Noongar Charitable Trust (NCT) Fund

Funding Provider
Equity Trustees

Location
WA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G07757

Primary Category
Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander peoples

Eligible to
Not-for-Profit

Funding
Amount: $5,000 to Undisclosed
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Noongar Charitable Trust was established to provide relief of poverty, sickness, suffering, destitution, misfortune and helplessness of the Noongar Community.

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Overview

The Trust aims to support projects run by Aboriginal Community Controlled Organisations which offer a direct and noticeable benefit to the Noongar community.

What projects are funded by the Noongar Charitable Trust?

The Noongar Charitable Trust provides grants starting from $5,000 to community projects that relate to one or more of the following funding categories:

- **Health -** to promote health in the community.
- **Crisis and Hardship -** to provide assistance in a time of urgency.
- **Aged -** to provide for the needs of the elderly and infirm members of the Noongar community.
- **Housing -** provide assistance to the community for housing programs.
- **Cultural and Heritage (including Traditional Practices) -** to provide cultural and heritage benefits to the Community.
- **Education, Training and Employment -** to improve access to education, training, employment and economic and enterprise development opportunities for Noongar people.
- **Children and Youth (0 to 25 years) -** to provide for the long term needs of future generations of members of the Community.

The Noongar Charitable Trust considers applications for full and partial funding as well as joint funding arrangements.

Applications open: Year round.

Applications are to be submitted and received by 11.59pm AWST on the following submission dates:

20 January, 20 April, 20 July and 20 October each year.

Limitations

Grants will be made to incorporated, Aboriginal Community Controlled Organisations that are based and delivered within Noongar Community.

Grants are unable to be given to:

- Organisations that fail to submit required documents or information requested by NCT.
- Organisations that have failed to carry out or complete any previous projects funded by NCT.
- Individuals.
- Political organisations or political parties.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G07757/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G07757/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G07757/apply
Email: communitytrusts@eqt.com.au

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The Remote Community Laundries Project

Funding Provider
National Indigenous Australians Agency

Location
QLD
NT
SA
WA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19725

Primary Category
Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander peoples

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Business

Funding
Total Pool: $10,600,000

Rounds
Closes **13 Feb 2026**

Purpose

The Remote Community Laundries Project will fund up to 12 new or upgraded, mobile or fixed laundries in eligible locations across the Northern Territory, Queensland, South Australia and Western Australia.

Overview

This funding will improve community access to commercial-grade machines with clean hot water and medicative detergents helping to reduce irritants and infections that can lead to serious but preventable illnesses like:

- trachoma
- acute rheumatic fever
- rheumatic heart disease.

Successful providers will partner with communities to ensure laundries:

- address health outcome needs
- are fit-for-purpose
- reflect community priorities.

This project will also support local jobs and provide opportunities for upskilling and educational pathways.

This project contributes to Closing the Gap health outcomes 1 and 2 and economic outcomes 7 and 8.

Limitations

To be eligible you must:

- Have an Australian Business Number.
- Where relevant, be registered for the purposes of GST.
- Be a permanent resident of Australia.
- Have an account, in your name and which you control, with an Australian financial institution.
- Be one of the following entity types: - an Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Corporation registered under the Corporations (Aboriginal and /or Torres Strait Islander) Act 2006 - a company incorporated in Australia - a company incorporated by guarantee - an incorporated trustee on behalf of a trust - an incorporated association (incorporated under state/territory legislation, commonly have 'Association' or 'Incorporated' or 'Inc' in their legal name) - a partnership - a joint (consortia) application with a lead organisation - a registered charity or not-for-profit organisation - an Australian local government body - an organisation established through a specific piece of Commonwealth or state/territory legislation including public benevolent institutions, churches and universities.

The Agency can only accept applications that demonstrate:

- Partnership(s) with the local First Nations community to design and implement the laundry project.
- Alignment with local health need and to community priorities including, economic participation through local job creation, training and skills development.
- Service delivery in remote and very remote classified restricted Indigenous Areas across northern and central Australia (refer Appendix B of the Grant Opportunity Guidelines).
- Laundry facilities have access to existing local utilities and adhere with state and territory regulations.

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Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19725/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19725/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19725/apply
Email: IASAMO@niaa.gov.au

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The Stolen Generations Funeral Fund

Funding Provider
Department of Premier and Cabinet (VIC)

Location
VIC

Funding Type
Cash Grant G11162

Primary Category
Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander peoples

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$10,000
Total Pool: $300,000

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Stolen Generations Funeral Fund aims to provide Reparations to Stolen Generations who pass away before the full Stolen Generations Reparations package is established.

Overview

In April 2021, the Victorian Government announced the establishment of a new fund to ensure the families of members of Stolen Generations can access financial support to cover funeral expenses to honour their loved ones. This initiative was designed by the Stolen Generations Reparations Steering Committee in consultation with Stolen Generations community and their families.

The fund will provide financial support to families of Stolen Generations who pass away from 1 January 2021. Eligible applicants will be provided up to $10,000 to cover the costs of a funeral, headstone or plaque and/or repatriation of their Stolen Generation family member.

The fund is administered by Connecting Home.

For more information please contact 1800 747 732 or sgr@connectinghome.org.au.

Limitations

In terms of eligibility for different Commonwealth, State or Territory Government compensation payments, the requirements can vary so please contact us to discuss further if you would like more information.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online, Email
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G11162/info
Email: sgr@connectinghome.org.au **Phone:** 1800 747 732

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Training Program

Funding Provider
Wiri Yuwiburra Community Benefits Trust (WYCBT)

Location
QLD

Funding Type
Cash Grant G16020

Primary Category
Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander peoples

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Business
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
$5,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **31 Dec 2025**

Purpose

Wiri Yuwiburra Community Benefits Trust has developed a range of Grant Programs to support and assist Aboriginal Group beneficiaries in alignment with the Trust Deed and its objectives.

Overview

The Training Program provides assistance to Wiri Yuwiburra People who wish to undertake vocational training to assist in improving a range of skills they can offer to potential employers and up-skilling to assist with self-employment.

The training must be done via TAFE or a Registered Training Organisation. An RTO is a training provider registered by ASQA (or a state regulator) to deliver VET services. RTOs provide quality training and qualifications that are nationally recognised. The national register, training.gov.au, maintains a complete list of RTOs.

Funding for this grant area is capped at a maximum of $5,000, per calendar year.

Limitations

General Eligibility

The Trust is governed by a Trust Deed.

To be eligible to apply for a grant from the Trust, the applicant must be a “Beneficiary”.

The Trust Deed defines that a “Beneficiary” is the following groups of people:-

- any person who is from time to time a member of the Wiri and Yuwiburra communities;
- any corporation or unincorporated association whose members are members of the Wiri and Yuwiburra communities;
- The trustee of any benevolent or charitable trust having objects substantially similar to the Trust; or
- any person who is from time to time a member of the wider Birri Gubba community”.

Applicants must meet one of the criteria above to qualify as a beneficiary to be able to apply for a grant. If applicants do not meet any of the criteria listed above, applicants do not qualify.

Note: Grant applicants must be over the age of 18. If the application relates to a minor (a person under the age of 18) the application must be completed by the parent, carer and/or guardian.

Information relevant to the Training Program

Specific guidelines and information that relate to this area of funding are as follows:

- Vocational training, to assist people in improving the range of skills they can offer to potential employers and and upskilling to assist with self-employment.
- Multiple short courses can be considered in one application up to the funding limit.
- Multiple applications are permitted per student in a calendar year. However the maximum grant amount per student, per calendar year, is $5,000.
- If the applicant cancels or defers their training/further education, the applicant must advise the Trust within 28 days. It is at the Trust’s discretion as to whether they request a full or partial refund of the funds provided.
- Any funding received towards the training from a third party must be declared to the Trust.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G16020/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G16020/guidelines

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Youth Employment Program (YEP)

Funding Provider
Department of Women, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Partnerships and Multiculturalism (QLD)

Location
QLD

Funding Type
Cash Grant G08857

Primary Category
Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander peoples

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Youth Employment Program (YEP) is an employment support program for young Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people who are finishing high school and looking for work or considering further education.

Overview

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people with a Certificate III or higher, who are not supported by a job agency, can also be supported through YEP.

How can YEP help you:

Department of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Partnerships (DATSIP) staff in your region can help you:

- with your choice of career
- link to job vacancies
- connect you to culturally capable services
- with pre-employment support such preparing resumes and for job interviews
- get support for any life challenges that make it difficult to find work
- access training opportunities.

Benefits of YEP:

- find out about new career opportunities
- get support to find a job and start a career
- have a regular DATSIP contact to give you support and advice
- engage with other candidates through various social media networks to hear their journey into employment and/or further education.

To help you get started in your future career, or look into options for further education, DATSIP staff will support you with:

- interview tips and writing a resume
- resources that will help you discover the career that's right for you
- identifying how to use your own networks to find a job
- taking the next steps in finding all types of careers, including traineeships and apprenticeships.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Mail, Email
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G08857/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G08857/apply
Address: Youth Employment Program GPO Box 806 Brisbane 4001 QLD
Email: yep@dsdsatsip.qld.gov.au

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Connecting Over 55s Grant

Funding Provider
Nillumbik Shire Council

Location
Nillumbik

Funding Type
Cash Grant G13359

Primary Category
Aged care and seniors

Eligible to
- TAFE
- Not-for-Profit
- School
- University
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
$1,000
Total Pool: $10,000

Rounds
Closes **31 May 2026**

Last Round
Closed **31 May 2025**

Purpose

In recognition of the importance connection has on a person's health and wellbeing, this grant will support activities and events that will help connect people over 55.

Overview

The Connecting Over 55 Grants facilitate community projects that will reduce isolation, empower, foster harmony and boost the wellbeing of older people in Nillumbik.

Applicants can receive up to $1,000 in funding to assist in delivering initiatives and activities that will foster social connectedness for their members and the broader community, such as but not exclusive to:

- Community events and activities
- Equipment
- Promotional materials.

Limitations

To be eligible for consideration, applicants must:

- Be a not-for-profit incorporated organisation or community group that lives, works, studies, volunteers or plays in Nillumbik, or partnered with (auspiced by) an eligible organisation
- Hold a minimum of $20 million public liability insurance, or if your activity will be held in a Council venue or on Council land, you may be eligible for coverage under Council's community public liability insurance
- Have acquitted and be compliant with all Nillumbik grants previously awarded by Council

What won't be funded?

- Projects, events or activities that could be funded through Council's annual community grant programs, peak bodies or other government funding
- Projects, events or activities being held outside the Nillumbik municipal boundary, or that won't substantially benefit the Nillumbik community
- Ongoing operational expenses or core business costs (E.g. salaries, administrative costs, maintenance costs, uniforms, utility bills, etc.)
- Projects that are curriculum based or entirely student, club or congregation focused
- Projects solely for fundraising purposes without broad community benefit
- Competitions, prize money and awards
- Projects or events with a political or religious purpose
- Events that are fully ticketed with no free or heavily subsidised component
- Alcohol or gambling related activities
- Projects that have received full funding from another source
- Retrospective funding for projects which are due to commence prior to the notification of the application outcome
- Applicants that are in debt to or have any outstanding commitments with the Shire.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G13359/info

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G13359/apply
Email: social.connection@nillumbik.vic.gov.au **Phone:** 03 9433 3295

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Electricity and Gas Rebates

Funding Provider
Department of Energy and Public Works

Location
QLD

Funding Type
Rebate G13287

Primary Category
Aged care and seniors

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$386
Total Pool: Unknown

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Queensland pensioners and seniors may be eligible for an Electricity and Gas rebate from their retailer.

Overview

Queensland pensioners and seniors may be eligible for:

- the Electricity Rebate—$386.34 per year (GST inclusive)
- the Reticulated Natural Gas Rebate—$92.12 per year (GST inclusive).

Please note, all rebates are GST inclusive. Rebates for eligible card holders may appear as GST exclusive on bills.

How to Apply:

Gas: Contact your gas retailer. You will need to provide certain details, so have copies of your bills and concession card handy so you can verify your eligibility. Rebates are automatically deducted from your bill.

Electricity: Contact your electricity retailer. You can apply over the phone or ask your retailer to send you an application form. You will need to provide certain details and have copies of your bills and concession card handy so you can verify your eligibility. Rebates are automatically deducted from your bill.

Limitations

Rebates are available to people who have any of the below:

- Queensland Seniors Card
- Services Australia or Department of Veterans' Affairs Pensioner Concession Card
- Services Australia Health Care Card* (Electricity Rebate only)
- Department of Veterans' Affairs Gold Card (and receive the War Widow/er Pension or special rate TPI Pension)
- Asylum seeker status—residents will need to provide their ImmiCard details (Electricity Rebate only).

* This includes holders of a Low Income Health Care Card and Ex-Carer Allowance (Child) Health Care Card.

To be eligible, you must be the electricity account holder and also live alone or share your principal place of residence with (only) any of the below:

- your spouse
- other people who hold a Services Australia or Department of Veterans' Affairs Pensioner Concession Card or Queensland Seniors Card
- other people wholly dependent on you
- other people who receive an income support or families payment from Services Australia who do not pay rent
- other people who receive an income support payment from the Department of Veterans' Affairs and who do not pay rent
- other people who live with the cardholder to provide care and assistance, and who do not pay rent.

If you live in a caravan park or multi-unit residential building (e.g. apartment), you must also show that your electricity or reticulated natural gas is paid, based on metered consumption.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Mail, Phone

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Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G13287/info
Phone: 13 74 68

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Innovation Capability Program

Funding Provider
Aged Care Research & Industry Innovation Australia (ARIIA)

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Scholarship S05743

Primary Category
Aged care and seniors

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **3 Feb 2026**

Purpose

The Innovation Capability Program is for individuals who work in or with aged care providers and recipients and want to change the way things are done. We help you develop solutions grounded in evidence, to ensure meaningful, impactful and sustainable results.

Overview

ARIIA invites eligible applicants to apply for a 100% scholarship for the Innovation Capability Program .

These scholarships are intended for organisations that serve communities facing unique challenges in delivering aged care and are approved by the Aged Care Quality and Safety Commission to deliver Australian Government-subsidised home, residential, or flexible care services. In some cases, applicants employed by other organisations may also be eligible, at the discretion of ARIIA's Research Director.

If you or your organisation meets one of these criteria, we encourage you to apply for a 100% scholarship and take advantage of this opportunity to build your, or your staff's capacity through the Innovation Capability Program.

Limitations

To be eligible to apply, you must meet one of the following criteria:

- Applicant provides aged care services located in Rural and Remote zones (MMM classification 3 to 7)
- Applicant provides aged care services specifically to vulnerable populations
- Applicant provides aged care services specifically for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander care recipients (ACCO)
- Small and medium-sized organisations with fewer than 250 beds, packages, or clients

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05743/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05743/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05743/apply
Website: https://www.ariia.org.au/contact

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Safety and Security Rebate

Funding Provider
Department of Communities (WA)

Location
WA

Funding Type
Rebate U00699

Primary Category
Aged care and seniors

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$400

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Safety and Security Rebate was reintroduced on 22 August 2021. Western Australian Seniors Card members can now claim up to $400 per household towards the purchase of eligible home security or safety item. **Only purchases made after the announcement on 22 August 2021 can be claimed.**

Overview

It is strongly recommended that you research the eligible item you intend to purchase and, if required, seek multiple quotes to compare value before committing to purchase or install an eligible item.

The list of eligible items to purchase or install are:

- Home alarm and/or CCTV systems
- Security door screens
- Deadlock (door or window)
- Security window screens or window shutters
- Security sensor light
- Wi-Fi or wired video doorbells
- Residual Current Device
- Mains powered smoke alarm
- Fire extinguisher
- Fire blanket

Repairs of one or more of the following items:

- Home alarm and/or CCTV systems
- Security door screens
- Deadlock (door or window)
- Security window screens or window shutters
- Security sensor light
- Wi-Fi or wired video doorbells
- Residual Current Device
- Mains powered smoke alarm

Maximum rebates up to $400 may be available.

Limitations

Applicant Elgibility:

1. To be eligible for the Safety and Security Rebate, Applicants must hold a valid WA Seniors Card and reside in an 'eligible household' in Western Australia.
2. The commencement date of the Safety and Security Rebate Scheme is **22 August 2021**, and only purchases made on or after this date will be eligible for the rebate. **Applicants must be a WA Seniors Card member at the time of purchase.**
3. The Safety and Security Rebate Scheme will cease at such time as determined by the Department of Communities, in its sole and absolute discretion.
4. The following types of households are eligible households:
    - Owner-occupier where the Applicant fully or partially owns their principal place of residence and resides there with or without other persons;
    - Single dwelling, where the Applicant does not own or rent the residence and resides with family members or other persons;
    - Rental accommodation, where the Applicant is renting the residence, including:

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- Accommodation owned by the Housing Authority; and
- Accommodation owned by the Applicant's employer

5. Separate "granny flat" forming part of a residence occupied by the Applicant's family members or others, whether or not the Applicant is paying rent;
6. Accommodation in a retirement village, including independent living units, serviced apartments or hostel accommodation where the Applicant either owns a strata title home, leases a unit/room or is allocated a unit through buying a share in the village; and
7. Caravan or mobile homes, where such are used as the Applicant's principal place of residence, including accommodation in residential parks where the Applicant owns the park home and leases the land.
8. The eligible household must be the Applicant's principal place of residence in Western Australia as registered on the WA Seniors Card members' records.
9. WA Seniors Card members living in accommodation provided by an aged care organisation, hospital, hostel or religious order are not eligible for the Safety and Security Rebate.
10. Applicants who received a Safety and Security Rebate in the previous scheme (between 2009-2015) are eligible for a rebate under this Safety and Security Rebate Scheme provided they meet the eligibility criteria as specified herein.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Mail, Online, Email
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00699/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00699/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00699/apply
Email: info@seniorscard.wa.gov.au **Phone:** 1800 671 233

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Senior Grants Program

Funding Provider
Health and Community Services Directorate (ACT)

Location
ACT

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19487

Primary Category
Aged care and seniors

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
$10,000
Total Pool: $80,000

Rounds
Closes **27 Jan 2026 3:00 pm**

Purpose

The Program provides funding for innovative projects that promote seniors as valued members of the ACT community and enable their active participation in community life.

Overview

This grant is for projects that promote older Canberrans as valued members of the local community. Projects should help older Canberrans participate in community life. Projects can address:

- elder abuse
- enhanced social inclusion
- the diverse needs of older members of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander and culturally and linguistically diverse communities.

The total funding available under this program is $80,000.

The maximum non#recurrent total grant that can be applied for is $10,000. As there are no goods or services being exchanged, GST is not applicable to grant payments.

Limitations

Organisations can apply if they:

- operate in the ACT

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- are a non-government, legally incorporated entity, or supported by an incorporated auspicing organisation
- are a registered not-for-profit or a charitable organisation
- have no overdue acquittals
- have the right insurance to cover your activity.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19487/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19487/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19487/apply
Email: CSDGrants@act.gov.au

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Seniors Energy Rebate

Funding Provider
Service NSW

Location
NSW

Funding Type
Rebate G15504

Primary Category
Aged care and seniors

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$200

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The NSW Seniors Energy Rebate helps eligible self-funded retirees pay their electricity bills.

Overview

The NSW Seniors Energy Rebate helps eligible **self-funded retirees** pay their electricity bills. Eligible customers receive $200 each financial year.

Eligible households can only receive **one** of these rebates in the same financial year, either:

- NSW Seniors Energy Rebate or
- NSW Low Income Household rebate

Limitations

Eligibility:

To be eligible you must:

- be a resident in NSW
- hold a current Commonwealth Seniors Health Card issued by
    - Services Australia or
    - Department of Veterans' Affairs
- be the account holder named on the electricity bill
- be applying for the rebate for your main place of residence.

Note: Pensioner Concession Card holders and Department of Veteran Affairs Gold Card holders are not eligible for the Seniors Energy Rebate. They may be eligible for the Low Income Household Rebate for on supply customers or retail customers.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G15504/info
Phone: 13 77 88

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Support at Home Program - Thin Markets

Funding Provider
Department of Health, Disability and Ageing

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19682

Primary Category
Aged care and seniors

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Business

Funding
Total Pool: $100,000,000

Rounds
Closes **14 Jan 2026**

Purpose

This grant opportunity provides flexible funding to support service delivery for Support at Home providers operating in thin markets

Overview

This grant opportunity provides flexible funding to support service delivery for Support at Home providers operating in thin markets. Specifically, those Support at Home providers that are currently delivering:

a) services to older people in rural and remote areas of Australia, classified as Modified Monash (MM) areas 3 to 7; and/or

b) specialist services to older people in the cohorts included in the Specialisation Verification for Aged Care Framework.

The intended objective is to:

- provide flexible funding to meet appropriate business expenses, to enable providers in thin markets with high costs to set reasonable prices for Support at Home services.

The intended outcomes are:

- to support older people in thin markets to access Support at Home services at a reasonable price within their quarterly budget
- to support older people in thin markets to access high quality Support at Home services, consistent with the Statement of Rights and Statement of Principles in the Aged Care Act 2024, regardless of location, background or life experiences, and
- for providers, to improve the financial viability of delivering high quality Support at Home services in thin markets to support service availability.

Limitations

This program is for aged care providers that deliver Support at Home services.

You must meet **at least one** of the following criteria:

a) Geographic eligibility

As a provider, you deliver Support at Home services to older people in Modified Monash (MM) areas 3, 4, 5, 6 or 7 at the time of application.

If you are applying based on geographic location, you do not need Specialisation Verification for people who live in rural, remote or very remote areas. Your location will be used to determine eligibility.

b) Specialised service delivery eligibility

You provide specialised Support at Home services to older people with diverse backgrounds and life experiences, in any geographic location, at the time of application. You can demonstrate this by meeting **at least one** of the following criteria:

i) Participant Composition

At least 25% of your organisation's total Support at Home participants are Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander.

If you are applying based on participant composition, you do not need Specialisation Verification in delivering services to Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander peoples and communities.

ii) Specialisation Verification

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You operate service outlets with a Specialisation Verification for aged care services. For this grant opportunity, this includes:

o A current approved Specialisation Verification at the date of grant application; and/or

o A new application for Specialisation Verification that has been submitted, prior to or as at the date of your grant application and is pending an outcome decision.

Refer to section 4 of the published Grant Opportunity Guidelines for full eligibility criteria details for this grant opportunity.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19682/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19682/guidelines
Email: Grant.ATM@health.gov.au

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Agriculture Industries Innovation and Growth Program

Funding Provider
Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development (NSW)

Location
NSW

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19726

Primary Category
Agriculture, fisheries and forestry

Eligible to
Business

Funding
Amount: $500,000 to $4,000,000

Rounds
Closes **23 Jan 2026 4:00 pm**

Purpose

The NSW Government has established the Agriculture Industries Innovation and Growth Program to support the NSW agriculture sector by increasing the uptake of new innovative technology and equipment that will enable access to new export opportunities, improve supply chain productivity, and achieve lower emissions.

Overview

The program is a $25 million investment from the Regional Development Trust (the Trust) and aligns to the sustainable regional industries key focus area that aims to enable regional industries to grow and adapt with structural and environmental change.

Key outcomes of the program include:

- increased access to new and expanding markets
- reduced impacts for the agricultural sector associated with geopolitical and environmental change
- economic participation of regional Aboriginal businesses.

Eligible project examples include:

- Partnership between cotton gin and growers to purchase new equipment that enables better integration and improved efficiency
- Construction of new future fuels processing facility that enables scalability and ability to take product to market
- Purchase of equipment for juice processing and bottling facility that enables product to reach new export markets
- Production of new higher efficiency fertilisers that improve outputs and deliver improved environmental outcomes
- Installing new equipment that used bio-fuel technology that can be supplied to multiple users within a cooperative
- Installation of new hazelnut processing technology that reduces wastage and improves output for growers
- Equipment to increase production of new feed additives developed and designed to contribute towards reduced emissions in the beef sector
- Development of new packaging line for winery that will enable growth in demand for a new varietal
- Installation of essential equipment that enables the production and packaging of plant-based protein products or new crops.

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Applicants are strongly encouraged to demonstrate partnerships with growers and primary producers that will benefit from the project.

Limitations

To be eligible for grant funding, an applicant must have an Australian Business Number (ABN) and be one of the following entity types:

- a company incorporated in Australia
- an incorporated association or co-operative
- a legally binding incorporated partnership
- Incorporated trustee of an Australian-based trust
- an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Corporation incorporated under the Corporations (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander) Act 2006.

Applicants must:

- be registered for GST
- be able to demonstrate that they are financially viable by providing the most recent 2 years of financial statements
- hold or commit to obtaining Public Liability Insurance of not less than $20 million per occurrence prior to executing a funding deed with the department
- be a fit and proper person/legal entity
- not be insolvent, bankrupt or subject to ongoing legal proceedings
- declare in the application form that the applicant is not aware of any issues which could cause reputational or other risks to the NSW Government.

Projects must be located in one of the 95 regional NSW Local Government Areas, the Unincorporated Far West region or on Lord Howe Island (refer to **Appendix A** of the program guidelines for a detailed list of eligible locations).

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19726/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19726/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19726/apply
Email: regionaldevelopmenttrust@dpird.nsw.gov.au

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Algal Bloom Fisheries and Aquaculture Assistance Grant

Funding Providers
Office for Small & Family Business (SA)
Department of State Development (SA)

Location
SA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G18387

Primary Category
Agriculture, fisheries and forestry

Eligible to
Business

Funding
$100,000
Total Pool: $225,000

Rounds
Closes **31 Jul 2026**

Purpose

The Algal Bloom Fisheries and Aquaculture Assistance Grant is a voluntary payment by the South Australian Government to support commercial fisheries and aquaculture licence holders that have been significantly impacted by the algal bloom occurrence.

Overview

One-off grants of up to $100,000 are available to support eligible licence holders that have been unable to catch and/or harvest their typical volume of marine species, or have been unable to operate due to extended harvest closures.

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Financial support provided to eligible South Australian commercial fisheries or aquaculture licence holders can assist in meeting fixed costs and overheads - including utilities, rent, finance and interest payments.

Additional grants are now available:

From 15 October 2025, if your business previously received this grant under the initial $28 million support package, you can now apply for a second grant of up to $100,000 if you can demonstrate a further three months decline in turnover or catch. Eligible businesses can also receive up to $25,000 in additional funding to support employee wages, meaning the hardest hit businesses may now be entitled to up to $225,000 in total grants.

Applications are open until 31 July 2026.

Limitations

To be eligible for the grant, the applicant must:

- be a legal entity established in Australia (a sole trader, company, partnership or trustee of a trust). Incorporated entities must be incorporated in Australia;
- be a South Australian commercial fisheries or aquaculture licence holder;
- hold an active Australian Business Number (ABN) as at 1 January 2025;
- be registered for GST at the time applications opened;
- demonstrate minimum business turnover of $100,000 in financial year 2023-24 or 202425;
- have an Australia-wide grouped payroll not greater than $10 million in the financial year 2024-25;
- derive at least 75 per cent of business turnover directly from commercial activities under the commercial fisheries or aquaculture licence(s).

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G18387/info
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G18387/apply
Email: algalbusinesssupportgrants@sa.gov.au

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Algal Bloom Resilience Grant

Funding Providers
Office for Small & Family Business (SA)
Department of State Development (SA)

Location
SA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19619

Primary Category
Agriculture, fisheries and forestry

Eligible to
Business

Funding
Amount: $25,000 to $150,000
Total Pool: Unknown

Rounds
Closes **31 Mar 2026**

Purpose

The Algal Bloom Resilience grant assists in creating new opportunities for fisheries and aquaculture businesses impacted by algal bloom.

Overview

The Algal Bloom Resilience Grant offers payments of between $25,000 and $150,000 to support commercial fisheries and aquaculture licence holders to invest in improving business resilience.

This funding may be used on projects that build business resilience, take advantage of new opportunities, and create or help protect jobs.

There is no requirement for you to co-contribute funds towards projects.

Funding may be used towards project-related costs, including:

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- the purchase of new equipment
- the replacement or upgrades to existing equipment which substantially improve resilience, expand business capabilities/operations or support algal bloom clean-up and repair
- mentoring, research and development costs
- training and re-skilling existing staff
- payments to consultants (e.g. designers, engineers and technical specialists)
- algal bloom clean-up or repair of harvest area infrastructure costs
- and more.

Applications are now open and close on 31 March 2026.

Limitations

To be eligible for this grant, your business must be impacted by the algal bloom and be able to demonstrate this by either:

- having been approved to receive/received a grant under the Algal Bloom Fisheries and Aquaculture Assistance Grant program; **or**
- had your licence fees waived by the Department of Primary Industries and Regions under the Algal Bloom Fee Relief Program.

Your business must also:

- be a legal entity established in Australia (a sole trader, company, partnership or trustee of a trust). Incorporated entities must be incorporated in Australia;
- be a South Australian commercial fisheries or aquaculture licence holder;
- have held an active ABN since 1 January 2025;
- be registered for GST at the time applications opened (21 October 2025)
- be currently operating (in any capacity) e.g. businesses that are not harvesting may still be incurring overheads such as insurance, rent utilities;
- submit a Resilience Plan for the project;
- commence the project within 6 months, and deliver the project (installed and operating as applicable) within 12 months, of the grant agreement being executed, unless otherwise agreed;
- not be an excluded entity; and
- demonstrate minimum business turnover of $75,000 in financial year 2023-24 or 202425;
- have an Australia-wide grouped payroll not greater than $10 million in the financial year 2024-25; and
- derive at least 75% of business turnover directly from commercial activities under the commercial fisheries or aquaculture licence(s).

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19619/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19619/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19619/apply
Email: algalbusinesssupportgrants@sa.gov.au

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Algal Bloom Small Business Support Grant

Funding Providers
Office for Small & Family Business (SA)
Department of State Development (SA)

Location
SA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G18388

Primary Category
Agriculture, fisheries and forestry

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Business

Funding
$50,000

Rounds
Closes **31 Jul 2026**

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Purpose

The Algal Bloom Small Business Support Grant is a voluntary payment by the South Australian Government to assist parties impacted by the algal bloom event.

Overview

This grant provides up to $50,000 to eligible small businesses and not-for-profits in the broader marine industry whose revenue has been impacted by the algal bloom event or have had their licence fees waived.

Funding may be used in any way that supports the continued viability of your business, including:

- standing business costs, including utilities, salaries and rent
- financial advice, marketing, or other business development activities
- adjusting the business to be viable in the changed operating environment
- retaining and supporting existing employees.

Additional Funding:

Eligible businesses who have already participated in the first round of $10,000 grants can now apply for a second and third $20,000 grant if you can demonstrate a further three months of downturn.

Applications are open until Tuesday, 31 July 2026.

Limitations

The Algal Bloom Small Business Support Grant is designed to support small businesses and not-for-profit organisations that fit into the following categories:

- marine or coastal tourism operator* (excluding hospitality and food services)
- charter boat and fishing charter operator
- marine-based sport and/or school (e.g. surf school)
- commercial fisheries and aquaculture licence holder
- seafood processor
- marine and fishing supply chain manufacturer or retailer (e.g. tackle shops, marine equipment suppliers)
- marine or coastal caravan parks, camping grounds and other accommodation providers (excluding short-term private/holiday rental providers, e.g. private properties rented through real estate agents or booking sites such as Airbnb or Stayz).
- beachfront kiosk/cafes*.

(*) Must be listed on the Australian Tourism Data Warehouse as at the date of application.

To be eligible for the grant, your business must:

- be a legal entity established in Australia (a sole trader, company, partnership or trustee of a trust). Incorporated entities must be incorporated in Australia;
- be a South Australian Entity (including both businesses and not-for-profit organisations);
- hold an active Australian Business Number (ABN) as at 1 January 2025;
- for businesses other than commercial fisheries and aquaculture licence holders:
    - be registered for GST at the time this package was announced;
    - demonstrate minimum business turnover of $18,750 in the 3-month comparative period;
- have an Australia-wide grouped payroll of less than $1.5 million in 2024-25*;*
- demonstrate, as a direct result of the Algal Bloom event, a decline in business turnover of 30 per cent or more in any consecutive 3-month period from 1 April 2025 to 31 July 2025, compared to the corresponding 3-month period in the year prior;
- be primarily categorised in one or more of the impacted marine industry categories; and
- not be an excluded entity.

Different eligibility conditions apply for not-for-profit organisations not registered for GST, and for newer businesses not in operation throughout the comparative period.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G18388/info

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G18388/apply
Email: algalbusinesssupportgrants@sa.gov.au **Phone:** 8429 7700

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Aquaculture Industry Development Program

Funding Provider
Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development (NSW)

Location
NSW

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19657

Primary Category
Agriculture, fisheries and forestry

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- University
- Business

Funding
Amount: $100,000 to $2,000,000

Rounds
Closes **18 Jan 2026 4:00 pm**

Purpose

The NSW Government has established the Aquaculture Industry Development Program, with funding of up to $20 million available to support the NSW aquaculture sector.

Overview

The program aims to:

- support the NSW Aquaculture Vision Statement to increase farmgate production in the aquaculture sector by 2030 and drive productivity in commercial fishing
- support regional businesses to modernise to increase productivity, exports, resilience to climate change impacts, contribution to net zero and/or circular economy targets
- build regional capability in sustainable seafood and marine bioproducts.

The program is a $20 million investment from the Regional Development Trust (the Trust) and aligns to the sustainable regional industries key focus area that aims to enable regional industries to grow and adapt with structural and environmental change.

The objective of the program is to:

- increase regional aquaculture and commercial fishing industries access to new and expanding markets
- leverage opportunities associated with environmental and market changes to position NSW as the market leader in sustainable seafood and marine bioproducts.

Limitations

To be eligible for grant funding, an applicant must be one of the following:

- a company incorporated in Australia (under the *Corporations Act 2001)*
- an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Corporation (under the *Corporations (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander) Act 2006*)
- an incorporated trustee of an Australian-based trust
- an incorporated association (under the NSW *Associations Incorporation Act 2009)* or co-operative (under the NSW *Co-operatives Act 1992)*
- an Australian university (higher education provider registered under the *Higher Education Support Act 2003*)

To be eligible for grant funding, an applicant must meet all of the following requirements:

- have an Australian Business Number (ABN)
- be financially viable and able to demonstrate that
- hold or commit to obtaining public liability insurance of not less than $20 million per occurrence
- be a fit and proper person/legal entity
- not be insolvent, bankrupt or subject to ongoing legal proceedings
- declare in the application form that the applicant is not aware of any issues which could cause reputational or other risks to the NSW Government
- have previous project delivery experience (or ability to access the necessary expertise and support)
- if applicable, provide evidence of capacity to make the minimum co-contribution if successful
- be registered in one of the following Australian and New Zealand Standard Industrial Classification (ANZSIC) codes:
    - 02 Aquaculture (or any sub-category or class within this code)
    - 041 Fishing (or any sub-category or class within this code)
    - 0529 Other Agriculture and Fishing Support Services
    - 691 Scientific Research Services or 699 Other Professional, Scientific and Technical Services

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- 81 Tertiary Education (or any sub-category or class within this code)

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
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Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19657/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19657/apply
Email: regionaldevelopmenttrust@dpird.nsw.gov.au

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Bobby Calf Tag Reimbursement Scheme

Funding Provider
Department of Natural Resources and Environment Tasmania

Location
TAS

Funding Type
Rebate U00596

Primary Category
Agriculture, fisheries and forestry

Eligible to
Business

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **31 Dec 2025**

Purpose

The Tasmanian Bobby Calf Tag Reimbursement Scheme has been established to assist industry transition to mandatory eIDs for bobby calves.

Overview

The Scheme provides a reimbursement of $4.50 per bobby calf processed at TQM. The Scheme runs from 1 January 2025 to 31 December 2025. Reimbursements will be payable on all bobby calves processed at TQM during this period.

If the individual reimbursement amount is $10,000 or more, you will need to submit a valid tax invoice with your application. The invoice should seek from the Department of Natural Resources and Environment Tasmania (NRE Tas) the amount to be claimed in your re-imbursement application.

Limitations

To be eligible for a reimbursement, the following applies:

- You must have an active Property Identification Code (PIC)
- You must be authorised by the Department of Natural Resources and Environment Tasmania (NRE Tas) to order and use NLIS accredited cattle devices on a PIC
- You produce bobby calves that are processed at TQM during the period 1 January 2025 to 31 December 2025
- You agree to comply with your legislative obligations in regard to the eID tagging of stock and the supply of a movement document for bobby calves leaving your property going direct to slaughter at TQM.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00596/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00596/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00596/apply
Email: nlis.tas@nre.tas.gov.au **Phone:** 1300 368 550

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Drought Ready and Resilient Fund

Funding Provider
Rural Assistance Authority (NSW)

Location
NSW

Funding Type
Low Or No-interest Loan G14354

Primary Category
Agriculture, fisheries and forestry

Eligible to
- Individual
- Business

Funding
$250,000
Total Pool: $250,000,000

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The NSW Government has committed $250 million to establish the Drought Ready and Resilient Fund, an initiative designed to bolster the resilience of NSW farmers to future adverse weather events and climatic conditions, such as drought.

Overview

Through the Drought Ready and Resilient Fund, eligible primary producers can access a low interest loan up to $250,000 to help prepare for, manage and recover from drought.

The loan can be used for products, activities and services relating to animal welfare, farm preparedness, income diversification, environmental improvements as well as training and business development.

The Drought Ready and Resilient Fund loan facility has been designed to complement the existing Drought Infrastructure Fund loan product, formerly known as the Farm Innovation Fund. (See Drought Infrastructure Fund here)

The current interest rate for Drought Ready and Resilient Fund loans is:

- 4.5% per annum for a 5-year loan
- 5.2% per annum for a 10-year loan

Customers will be provided with an indicative interest rate at the point of application, however the rate applied to the loan will not be determined until the date of first drawn down. The interest rate applied to the loan is fixed for the term of the loan.

Applications are now open and will continue to be accepted until program funding is exhausted.

Limitations

The Drought ready and Resilient Fund loan is available to eligible sole traders, partnerships, trusts or private companies who operate in the primary production sector in NSW.

To be eligible, applicants must earn at least 50% of gross income or at least $75,000 in one year from the primary production business, or be a bona fide primary production enterprise.

Please refer to the program guidelines for further information.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G14354/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G14354/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G14354/apply
Email: rural.assist@raa.nsw.gov.au **Phone:** 1800 678 593

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Farm Business Analysis Assistance

Funding Provider
Queensland Rural and Industry Development Authority (QRIDA)

Location
QLD

Funding Type
Pro Bono Services G08629

Primary Category
Agriculture, fisheries and forestry

Eligible to
Business

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Farm Business Analysis Assistance is helping producers move forward with confidence in their rural enterprise. With access to free and independent advice, they're helping producers put plans on paper and focus on their future.

Overview

The objective of the program is to provide assistance to primary production enterprises experiencing financial difficulties by a report setting out recommendations to assist them determine the future direction of their business.

The program provides primary producers with free access to an independent financial specialist who will:

- liaise with the applicant on farm and engage with the applicant's advisors and financiers;
- undertake an impartial review of the primary producers' enterprise, operation and financial position; and
- provide a report identifying the key issues and setting out realistic recommendations aimed at resolving the issues facing the enterprise.

Examples of outcomes that may be provided in a farm business analysis report include strategies to address enterprise viability, debt structure options and provision of a forward cashflow supported by analysis of the underlying operation.

Limitations

To be considered for this assistance applicants should:

- be a primary producer experiencing financial difficulties
- have owned and operated their primary production enterprise for at least three (3) years
- have existing farm term debt in relation to their primary production enterprise
- demonstrate a need for the assistance. This may mean:
    - the applicant could benefit substantially from options provided in a farm business analysis
    - a farm business analysis could be critical to the continuation of the primary production enterprise
    - the applicant does not have the financial or other resources to access a similar professional service
    - the applicant does not have non-farm or liquid assets more than the amount needed for prudent risk management
- not be under administration or subject to recovery actions

Primary producer means:

- a sole trader who spends the majority of his or her labour on, and derives the majority of his or her income from a primary production enterprise; or
- in relation to a partnership, proprietary company or trust that carries on a primary production enterprise, any partner in the partnership, shareholder in the company or beneficiary of the trust who spends most of their labour on, and derives the majority of their income from the primary production enterprise.

Primary production enterprise means a business that:

- is carried on by a sole trader, trust, partnership or proprietary company; and
- involves primary production, including the agricultural, apicultural, aquacultural, commercial wild-catch fishing, forestry, grazing and horticultural industries; and
- holds an Australian Business Number (ABN).

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Mail, Email
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G08629/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G08629/guidelines

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Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G08629/apply
Email: contact_fdro@qrida.qld.gov.au **Phone:** 1800 623 946

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Farm Debt Mediation (WA) Scheme

Funding Provider
Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development (WA)

Location
WA

Funding Type
Pro Bono Services U00109

Primary Category
Agriculture, fisheries and forestry

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Business

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Farm Debt Mediation Scheme in Western Australia is available to assist farm and pastoral businesses and financial institutions resolve disputes about business financial arrangements.

Overview

The Scheme provides an opportunity to address issues and disputes through a low cost and non-legal form of mediation, and encourage a mutually acceptable agreement between the parties.

Applications for farm debt mediation may be submitted by financial institutions or farm/pastoral businesses that can demonstrate they have attempted to address their concerns with the other party prior to submitting their application for mediation.

The professional mediation will be conducted by the Small Business Development Corporation of Western Australia (SBDC).

Limitations

Who can apply for mediation?

The Scheme is open to farm / pastoral businesses and financial institutions who are seeking resolution of a dispute regarding the terms and conditions of a loan agreement and associated commercial debt (farm business includes agricultural, horticultural, pastoral, apicultural or aquaculture industries). The Scheme is also open to lessees and sharefarmers.

Before attending mediation, the farmer / pastoralist will need to consider workable, realistic options to discuss at mediation. It is recommended a support network person such as an agricultural consultant, rural financial counsellor, accountant or a suitably qualified professional assists the farmer / pastoralist with this preparation – see Section 14 in the Scheme Guidelines).

What debt / issues do NOT qualify for mediation?

The following does not qualify for the Farm Debt Mediation Scheme:

- Any debt not issued by an authorised deposit taking institution in Australia as defined by the Australian Prudential Regulation Authority (APRA) in accordance with the Banking Act 1959, with the exception of Commonwealth Government concessional loans issued in WA by the Rural Business Development Corporation.

This includes:

- Personal loans, family loans, credit card debt.
- Equipment finance issued by a non authorised deposit taking institution in Australia. Non-farm debt.
- Home loans, investment/margin loans.
- Creditor debts.
- Interest rate charging, bank fees, credit risk grading, valuation outcomes or bank staffing issues.

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Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
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Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00109/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00109/apply
Email: RuralBusiness.Developmentunit@dpird.wa.gov.au **Phone:** 1300 374 731

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Farm Debt Mediation Grants Program

Funding Provider
Department of State Growth (TAS)

Location
TAS

Funding Type
Cash Grant G18262

Primary Category
Agriculture, fisheries and forestry

Eligible to
- Individual
- Business

Funding
$3,000

Rounds
Closes **31 May 2026**

Purpose

This Tasmanian Government program helps farmers with financial difficulties cover costs for mediation under the *Farm Debt Mediation Act 2024.*

Overview

Farmers can receive a $3,000 grant to pay for mediation fees, professional advisory services relevant to mediation travel, accommodation, or room rental. Each farmer can only receive the grant only once.

Applications will be reviewed in the order they are received as complete applications. There is limited funding available for this program.

Questions regarding the program can be directed to the Department of State Growth by emailing FDMTasmania@stategrowth.tas.gov.au or calling 1800 440 026 before the program closes.

Limitations

To be eligible for a grant an applicant must:

1. Be registered for tax purposes in Australia with a continuously active Australian Business Number (ABN) trading for at least 12 months before the time of applying for the grant.

Exceptions to 3.1 may be considered, noting that the applicant will be required to provide relevant evidence to support their application, for example:

a. An applicant that has purchased a business that was actively trading for at least 12 months.
b. An applicant that has changed their business structure which has resulted in a new active ABN issued, but the business has been in operation for at least 12 months from the time of applying for the grant.

2. Be a farmer or farm business with a farm debt that is entering into mediation as provided for under the *Farm Debt Mediation Act 2024*.
3. Be a legal entity, for example an individual or any company or organisation that has legal rights and responsibilities including tax findings.
4. Not have previously received any funding under this program.
5. Provide the following:
    a. a signed statutory declaration of financial hardship confirming inability to effectively participate in mediation given the financial costs;
    b. evidence that a mediation process has commenced or is likely to commence under the Act with a signed copy of Form 8: Intake Agreement for Farm Debt Mediation, which must be signed by both parties (the farmer and the creditor) and the mediator*;

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*Mediators must be authorised to mediate under the *Farm Debt Mediation Act2024* by the Farm Debt Mediation Commissioner. View a list of authorised mediators on the Department of State Growth's website

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G18262/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G18262/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G18262/apply
Email: FDMTasmania@stategrowth.tas.gov.au

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Farm Management Grants

Funding Provider
Queensland Rural and Industry Development Authority (QRIDA)

Location
QLD

Funding Type
Rebate G08628

Primary Category
Agriculture, fisheries and forestry

Eligible to
- Individual
- Business

Funding
Amount: $0 to $2,500
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Farm Management Grants Scheme supports primary producers in developing a Farm Business Resilience Plan, recognising risks associated with production, including climate and weather (such as drought), as well as biosecurity and natural resource management and business risks including financial and market factors.

Overview

Eligible Queensland primary producers can now apply for a rebate of 50 per cent, to a maximum of $2,500, for the costs of advice in developing a Farm Business Resilience Plan. These plans are intended to assist producers in identifying risks, such as drought, for their property and outlining the steps necessary to respond to those risks.

Farm Business Resilience Plans help producers to:

- recognise risks associated with production, including climate and weather (such as drought)
- identify business risks, including financial and market factors, and how to respond to those risks and
- understand personal risks such as workplace health and safety.

The Department of Agriculture and Fisheries (DAF) offer a free Farm Business Resilience Plan template. Visit their website to download and complete your plan.

Limitations

Eligibility

To be eligible for assistance, you must:

- be a primary producer as defined below
- have paid for the eligible professional advice
- have received the eligible professional advice from 11 November 2021
- have received the eligible professional advice from a suitably qualified adviser(s) who:
    - is not the applicant
    - does not have an actual or perceived conflict of interest with the applicant and
    - is not employed by an entity owned or partially owned by the applicant.

While these rebates are available to offset the cost of seeking eligible professional advice, they are not available to cover the costs of activities to implement the advice. A QRIDA Drought Preparedness Grant or Sustainability Loan may be available for implementation activities.

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Primary production business means a business that:

- is carried on by a sole trader, trust, partnership or proprietary company
- that involves primary production, including the agricultural, apicultural, aqua cultural, commercial wild-catch fishing, forestry, grazing and horticultural industries
- holds an Australian Business Number (ABN).

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G08628/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G08628/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G08628/apply
Email: contact_us@qrida.qld.gov.au **Phone:** 1800 623 946

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Farmers' Market Grant Scheme

Funding Provider
Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development (WA)

Location
WA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G18284

Primary Category
Agriculture, fisheries and forestry

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Business

Funding
$50,000

Rounds
Closes **30 Jun 2027**

Purpose

Financial assistance, in the form of grants of up to $50,000 (excluding GST), will be available to farmers' markets operators to support business operations, build capability and ensure a sustainable business model for future success.

Overview

Financial assistance, in the form of grants of up to $50,000 (excluding GST) will be available to farmers' markets operators to support business operations, build capability and ensure a sustainable business model for future success.

The program aims to support farmers' markets efforts to become financially sustainable by improving the following:

- infrastructure (e.g. signage, toilet/hygiene facilities, power, onsite storage/shelter, accessibility, point of sale upgrades)
- planning and compliance (e.g. business planning, risk management plans, work, health and safety compliance, food safety training and compliance, first aid, auditing, specialist training)
- marketing and communication activities, including community engagement (e.g. specialist incursions such as chefs or one-off events)
- market development support (e.g. fee reductions or waivers for stallholders adhering to WAFMA guidelines), managed by market operators with justification provisions
- one-off projects that contribute to business operations and ongoing financial sustainability (including one-off costs for service providers and/or project staff salaries directly related to approved projects)
- up to 10% of project budget for administration and project management costs incurred by market operators managing an approved project, with documented evidence submitted with acquittal report.

Scheme closes 30 June 2027. Applications can be submitted until the available funding for this grant opportunity is fully subscribed, or by the closing date, whichever occurs first.

Limitations

Stage 1 of the scheme is open to both existing markets and those under development that comply with, or would like to consider complying with the Australian Farmers Market Association (AFMA) recommended guidelines below:

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1. A predominantly fresh food market that operates regularly within a community at a focal public location that provides a suitable environment for farmers and specialty food producers to sell farm-origin and associated value-added specialty foods for human consumption directly to customers.
2. The farmers' market is run by a community-based, not-for-profit association, social enterprise, co-operative or company with the purpose of complying with point 1.
3. All produce must be sold by the farmer/producer, family member, or employee directly involved with the growing, rearing, catching or manufacturing of the product. Cooperative farming ventures may be included at the discretion of the individual farmers' market, but must be genuine business arrangements, not solely formed to create the ability to resell products or sell multiple products at one stall.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
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Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G18284/apply
Email: farmersmarket@dpird.wa.gov.au

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Fish Habitat Improvement Fund

Funding Provider
Victorian Fisheries Authority (VFA)

Location
VIC

Funding Type
Cash Grant G13535

Primary Category
Agriculture, fisheries and forestry

Eligible to
Business

Funding
$200,000
Total Pool: $2,500,000

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Fish Habitat Improvement Program is a $2.5 million dollar fund to improve fish habit across Victoria's marine, estuarine and freshwater fisheries as part of its Go Fishing Victoria plan.

Overview

The Fish Habitat Improvement Fund supports two streams:

Stream 1. Empowering recreational fishers to improve local fish habitat (community led projects up to $50,000 and up to 18 months in duration): Applications remain open until the funding is allocated.

These projects will deliver small-scale works to improve local fish habitat works alongside waterways such as native vegetation planting, weed control, erosion control, fencing (to keep livestock out) on public or private land. This stream will help recreational fishers get involved, build capacity and establish partnerships with other fish habitat partners and land managers.

Stream 2 (currently closed) Partnerships to address critical fish habitat priorities: working together to restore, recover and rebuild fish populations (up to $200,000 over 2 years). Applications closed May 2, 2025.

This stream will deliver larger-scale projects involving multiple partners and strong co-investment to restore, recover fish habitat and contribute to rebuilding fish populations. Applicants for this stream will require advanced project management capacity, leadership and connections with recreational fishers and other relevant stakeholders.

Limitations

The following government and non-government organisations with strong links to recreational fisher networks are eligible to apply for Fish Habitat Improvement funding:

- Catchment Management Authorities
- Local, regional, and state-wide angling organisations and associations
- Local Councils
- Water Authorities

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- Other NRM agencies
- Aboriginal groups and organisations, land councils,
- trusts and co-operatives working on-country
- Non-government community organisations
- Crown Land Committees of Management
- Registered Training Organisations, including schools and universities

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
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Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G13535/guidelines
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Email: fishhabitatfund@vfa.vic.gov.au **Phone:** 0427 018 406

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GRDC Event Sponsorships

Funding Provider
Grains Research and Development Corporation (GRDC)

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant R00113

Primary Category
Agriculture, fisheries and forestry

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Business

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **21 Jan 2026 05:00 PM (Australian Eastern Daylight Time)**

Purpose

Sponsorship of events and conference across the Australian & International Grains Landscape in which grain growers are directly impacted and in which they benefit from.

Overview

The funder is passionate about the Australian grains industry and value opportunities to engage with growers, researchers and other stakeholders, promote innovative and impactful RD&E, and develop industry capacity. If you share our commitment to the Australian grains industry and want to apply for GRDC sponsorship, in your application please demonstrate how GRDC sponsorship will:

- deliver value for GRDC and the broader Australian grains industry and community
- promote innovation in grains RD&E
- value-add or complement existing GRDC activities.

Limitations

The GRDC Event Sponsorship pathway is designed to support standalone events that promote engagement and visibility across the grains industry. It is not intended to fund extension activities that form part of existing GRDC R&D investments. If your organisation already receives GRDC investment for a project, including extension and adoption milestones, you are not eligible for additional support through this sponsorship pathway. Instead, any proposed extension activities should be discussed directly with your GRDC Investment Manager to explore potential inclusion within your existing investment. This ensures that GRDC's sponsorship support remains focused on independent events and avoids duplication of investment. Applications that do not meet this criterion will not be successful. GRDC will consider applications from Farming Systems and Grower Groups (that do not have a current GRDC Investment) for field days, trial site walks, annual updates etc., however these activities will be considered for funding support up to the value of $5,000 annually.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
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Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/R00113/apply

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Gnangara Horticulture Water Use Efficiency Grant Program

Funding Provider
Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development (WA)

Location
WA

Funding Type
Rebate G12579

Primary Category
Agriculture, fisheries and forestry

Eligible to
- Individual
- Business

Funding
$100,000
Total Pool: $1,190,000

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The purpose of the Gnangara Horticulture Water Use Efficiency Grants Program is to assist primary producers with commercial horticulture businesses in the Gnangara groundwater allocation plan area to implement water use efficiency measures in their businesses.

Overview

The WA Government is providing funding for eligible commercial WA horticultural businesses for a suite of water use efficiency activities. This initiative will support horticultural groundwater users that are subject to the 10 per cent reduction to abstraction from 2028 under the Gnangara groundwater allocation plan.

This funding delivered through the Gnangara Horticulture Water Use Efficiency Grant Program includes:

1. grants to implement water use efficiency infrastructure
2. grants to implement soil amelioration activities

Funding: Up to $100,000 to install technology or infrastructure to improve water systems to increase water use efficiency.

Closing date: Monday 30 June 2026, or until funds are fully committed.

Limitations

Who is eligible to apply?

To be eligible to apply, you need to demonstrate you met all of the following criteria:

- own, share farm or lease property that you use for horticultural production in the eligible area and identified for a 10% groundwater abstraction reduction from 2028 under the Gnangara Groundwater Allocation Plan
- conduct the majority of your primary production business in WA
- operate as a sole trader, partnership, trust or private company
- hold an Australian Business Number (ABN) and are registered for GST
- be a commercial primary production business (as defined in the Income Tax Assessment Act 1997).

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
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Gnangara Horticulture Water Use Efficiency Voucher Program

Funding Provider
Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development (WA)

Location
WA

Funding Type
Pro Bono Services U00290

Primary Category
Agriculture, fisheries and forestry

Eligible to
Business

Funding
$5,000

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The purpose of the Gnangara Horticulture Water Use Efficiency Voucher Program is to assist eligible commercial horticultural businesses to obtain written expert advice to develop a plan to implement water use efficiency measures on their property. Assistance will be provided via a voucher that can be used to engage a professional irrigation consultant.

Overview

Local growers in the defined area can access vouchers to engage certified irrigation specialists to:

- audit their properties
- design efficient irrigation systems
- provide written advice on technologies, soil amendments and cropping strategies to improve water use efficiency within their enterprise
- develop soil amelioration plans and options to improve soil health.

Limitations

Who is eligible to apply?

To be eligible to apply, you will need to demonstrate that:

- you own, share-farm or lease a property that you use for commercial horticulture production (lessee of property must provide landlord consent in writing)
- your commercial horticultural property is located in the eligible groundwater subareas (see map in Appendix 1 of the guidelines), and is subject to the 10 per cent reduction to groundwater abstraction from 2028 under the 2022 Gnangara groundwater allocation plan
- you conduct the majority of your primary production business in Western Australia
- you operate as a sole trader, partnership, trust or private company
- you hold a current Australian Business Number (ABN) and are registered for GST.
- your business is a commercial primary production business (as defined by the Income Tax Assessment Act 1997).

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
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Intermediate Grants Program

Funding Provider
Victorian Fisheries Authority (VFA)

Location
VIC

Funding Type
Cash Grant G10492

Primary Category
Agriculture, fisheries and forestry

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
Amount: $5,000 to $50,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

This program is open year-round to applications from angling clubs and associations, and not-for-profit community groups for grants of $5,000 - $50,000.

Overview

Examples of projects that could qualify for funding include:

- infrastructure and access projects (minor boat ramps or kayak launches/landings, access paths, jetties, platforms)
- fish cleaning tables
- installation of instream habitat (woody, boulders, lunkers), and
- riparian work (fencing, planting, stiles)
- reef establishment (estuarine, lakes)
- research (stock assessment of a local waterway, electrofishing).

Preference will be given to proposals which provide co-funding or in-kind financial contributions towards the overall cost of the project.

Limitations

Please note that we may make the information that is provided by a grant applicant in a grant application publicly available.

- All projects must deliver a clear benefit to public recreational fishing in Victoria.
- Grants will be offered to incorporated angling clubs and associations, community groups and committees of management. Grants will not be available to individuals.
- Funding is limited and not all project applications can or will be supported. The Victorian Fisheries Authority will not enter into discussion regarding the outcomes of a successful or unsuccessful application.
- No projects will be funded on an ongoing basis, and only 90% of grant funding will initially be allocated for a project; the remaining 10% of project funding will be allocated on the timely and satisfactory completion of the project.
- The grant applicant will be responsible for any expenditure/costs over the approved amount of grant funding.
- The grant applicant will provide evidence of support from the relevant land/waterway managers for construction, ownership and ongoing maintenance of the asset.
- All funded projects must be completed within 12 months of signing a funding agreement. Variations and extensions may be sought where unforeseen circumstances arise, provided the project owner has provided Victorian Fisheries Authority staff with regular updates leading up to the request.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
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Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G10492/guidelines
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John Cripps Horticulture Scholarships

Funding Provider
Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development (WA)

Location
WA

Funding Type
Scholarship S05727

Primary Category
Agriculture, fisheries and forestry

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
Total Pool: $150,000

Rounds
Closes **28 Jan 2026**

Purpose

The department has established the John Cripps horticulture scholarships to increase the collaborative research undertaken in horticulture in Western Australia (WA) on issues impacting the productivity, profitability and sustainability of the industry.

Overview

This scholarship was established to recognise the importance of research to the WA horticulture industry and is in memory of one of our leading apple breeders and industry legend Mr John Cripps AO.

The scholarship proposes over time to:

- develop talented candidates into researchers who can work in both industry and academic settings
- strengthen industry through focused innovation and development through greater university-government-industry collaboration
- support research projects co-designed between government, university and industry.

The full-time postgraduate scholarship is available to fund a candidate for $50,000 per annum (tax exempt). The total value of the scholarship is:

PhD: $150,000 over 3 years

Limitations

To be eligible for a scholarship, potential applicants must meet the following criteria:

Students that meet the requirements for entry into a postgraduate program (PhD or Master of Research) at a WA university.

Have a Bachelors degree with first-class honours (some universities may consider students with upper second-class honours), or a Master degree with a research component or equivalent from a recognised university

- have a record of excellent academic performance
- be able to provide evidence of strong written and spoken English
- have an Australian citizen or have permanent residency status in Australia
- have documentary evidence of your entitlement to live and work in Australia for the period of the scholarship
- be available to take up the scholarship if offered, for commencement by 31 July 2026.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
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Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05727/apply
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Large Grants Program

Funding Provider
Victorian Fisheries Authority (VFA)

Location
VIC

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19216

Primary Category
Agriculture, fisheries and forestry

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- State Govt
- Local Govt

Funding
Amount: $5,001 to $100,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **28 Feb 2026**

Purpose

Every year the Victorian Government, through the Recreational Fishing Licence Trust Account, disburses revenue derived from the sale of Recreational Fishing Licences to projects that will improve recreational fishing in Victoria.

Overview

Funds will be provided for projects that benefit public recreational fishing in Victoria in the following categories:

- Recreational fishing access and facilities;
- Recreational fisheries' sustainability and habitat improvement;
- Recreational fishing-related education, information and training;
- and Recreational fisheries research.

The maximum amount of funding available per project under the Large Grants Program is $100,000 (GST exclusive) per year. Only 90% of grant funding will initially be allocated for a project, with the remaining 10% of funds to be allocated on the timely and satisfactory completion of the project.

Large Grant Program Objectives

In all cases, the public benefits of the project to recreational fishers must be clearly defined and supported. Projects, in the following categories, that implement the following objectives may be given priority for grant funding.

Category 1 - Recreational fishing access and facilities (including improvements to recreational boating-related infrastructure, where a clear benefit to boat-based recreational fishing can be demonstrated).

Projects that could expect favourable consideration would include those that:

- Provide easy, safe and efficient access to public waters
- Improve facilities in areas of high current or expected recreational fishing demand
- Provide facilities for users from an identified wide catchment area
- Provide all-weather facilities at selected sites
- Have designs which minimise maintenance costs, and
- Include appropriate signage (for which funding is also available, as part of the project cost).

Projects that would not receive favourable consideration:

- Provision of access for select groups only (other than those with special needs), or construction of facilities that are not open and freely accessible to the fishing public.
- RFL revenue will not be allocated to fund the purchase of any club equipment (e.g. fishing rods, fishing reels, IT equipment, audio visual equipment such as cameras, DVD players etc.).

Category 2 - Recreational fisheries sustainability and habitat improvement

Projects in this category must be designed with a clearly defined objective that will result in the maintenance or improvement of recreational fisher catches. Projects that assess recreational fisher catches for the above purposes or that assess the success of a project in this category would be eligible.

Projects that could expect favourable consideration would include:

- Fish habitat improvement programs for recreational fish species, and
- Assessment of recreational fisher catches and use patterns.

Projects that would not receive favourable consideration, or would be considered a low priority include:

- Assessments that do not identify a clear end-benefit for recreational fishers.

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Category 3 – Recreational fisheries related education, information and training Projects should be designed to improve the practices, procedures and experiences of recreational fishers, and to preserve the rich heritage of this recreational pursuit.

Projects that could expect favourable consideration would include:

- Development of educational programs designed to promote recreational fishing and good recreational fishing codes of practice
- Development of displays to promote recreational fishing and/or educate the public on recreational fishing
- Running of specific-purpose events, field days or training programs (which may include the participation of Fishcare Victoria) on recreational fishing
- Preservation of angling history in various forms, or
- Assessment of new techniques for fishing and transfer of information to recreational fishers.

Projects that would not receive favourable consideration, or would be considered a low priority include:

- Projects that have a very narrow focus
- Materials developed for a primarily commercial purpose, and/or
- Recreational fishing competitions and associated prizes.

Category 4 – Recreational fisheries research

Projects considered for inclusion in the research category must be designed to provide practical knowledge to enable better management of recreational target fish species in Victorian waters. Research projects will be expected to have fisheries research professionals or principal investigators, although such professionals can be engaged by project proponents to conduct research activities on their behalf.

- Projects that could expect favourable consideration would include:
- Research on biology and habitat use of recreational fish species
- Research on response to, and impacts of fishing on recreational fish species
- Evaluation of the success of fish habitat improvement programs
- Evaluation of specific recreational fish stocking programs
- Investigations of the impacts of environmental factors on recreational fisheries, and/or
- Research on the social and economic impacts of recreational fisheries.

Projects that would not receive favourable consideration, or would be considered a low priority include:

- Research on fish species not targeted by Victorian recreational fishers
- Research on threatened fish species protected by legislation from recreational fishing
- Commonwealth-managed fisheries
- Aquatic habitat works that do not directly affect a recreational fishery, and/or
- Research programs that cannot define a benefit to recreational fishers.

Limitations

Prior to final commitment of funds, the grant applicant will be required to:

- Obtain all the relevant planning and development approvals which must have regard to strategies and environmental acceptability
- Provide suitable information as requested to allow the proposed project to be assessed and establish a priority, based on local, regional and state-wide needs and benefits
- Demonstrate the technical adequacy of the project in terms of design, safety standards and cost
- Demonstrate an ability to be able to operate and maintain the facility and to make a commitment to a future high standard of operation and maintenance
- Be prepared to participate in on-site inspections of the project before, during and after the construction of a facility, as necessary, and
- Enter into a formal funding agreement with the Victorian Fisheries Authority.

Successful grant applicants will be required to:

- enter into a Project Funding Agreement
- submit regular Progress Reports as specified in the Project Funding Agreement
- submit an Acquittal/Final Report within 60 days of completing the project
- provide notification of any proposed variations or extensions to the project objectives, timetable, work plan or budget, by submitting a Project Variation application form, which will need to be assessed and approved by the Working Group
- Operate public liability insurance as required, covering the project's activities and outcomes, and
- Keep records of all expenditure associated with the grant for a minimum of five years.

Note: The Victorian Fisheries Authority reserves the right to inspect any project and/or request a financial/project implementation audit at any given time.

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Applications / Guidelines

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Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19216/apply
Address: The Secretariat, Recreational Fishing Grants Program PO Box 4509 Melbourne 3001 VIC
Email: rec.fishinggrants@vfa.vic.gov.au **Phone:** 0417 038 775

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Native Forest Transition: Closure of Impacted Business grants

Funding Provider
Department of Jobs, Tourism, Science and Innovation (WA)

Location
WA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G14591

Primary Category
Agriculture, fisheries and forestry

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Business

Funding
$50,000
Total Pool: $1,000,000

Rounds
Closes **31 Dec 2025**

Purpose

The Closure of Impacted Business (CIB) program is a $1 million non-competitive grant program that aims to help any business reliant on native timber to exit the industry.

Overview

The grant offers eligible businesses up to $50,000 in financial assistance to help with expenses associated with closing their business.

Financial assistance will be offered through a 2-stage online application process with:

Stage 1 – Business Closure Schedule: eligible businesses are invited to apply for $5,000 to seek professional support that may include financial, accounting, legal or wellbeing services that support the decision to close and the development of a business closure schedule. Applicants will need to demonstrate eligibility and provide details regarding the professional services they wish to undertake.

Stage 2 – Closure Activities: Eligible business that have successfully applied for Stage 1 can then access up to a further $45,000 to undertake the approved activities identified in their business closure schedule. Funding will be reimbursed on the provision of tax invoices for approved expenditure items.

Limitations

Eligibility criteria

Applicants are required to meet the following criteria to be eligible:

- Must be a Western Australian business operating within the native forestry industry for at least 3 years prior to, and at the time of the announcement on 8 September 2021.
- Business must have a valid and active ABN or ACN and not have any pending litigations or insolvency processes underway.
- Business must be able to demonstrate a 50% or greater reliance on the native timber industry over at least one financial year from 2019/2020 to 2021/2022, with at least either:
    - 50% of inputs used in manufacturing processes be from native timber
    - 50% of business revenue derived from the sale of goods or services from the native timber industry.
- Must be the only business held by the business owners/directors. Where business owners/ directors hold additional ABN or ACN numbers, applications will be assessed on a case-by-case basis to ensure the majority of their income (i.e. 50%) is derived from the eligible business.
- Must be registered for GST with a minimum turnover of $75,000.
- Must not have received funding through any other Native Forest Transition grant program.

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Ineligible

The following organisations are ineligible for funding:

- Local, State, or Federal Government Authorities/Agencies, Government Trading Enterprises (GTEs) and Individuals (without an ABN).
- Trusts that are not incorporated and are unable to enter into a funding agreement with the State Government. (A trustee may apply on behalf of a trust where it meets the eligibility requirements set out above).
- Businesses that have been successful in receiving funding from another Native Forest Transition grant.
- Businesses located outside of Western Australia.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G14591/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G14591/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G14591/apply
Email: NFTEnquiries@swdc.wa.gov.au

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Natural Disaster Transport Subsidy

Funding Provider
Rural Assistance Authority (NSW)

Location
NSW

Funding Type
Subsidised Goods And Services U00038

Primary Category
Agriculture, fisheries and forestry

Eligible to
Business

Funding
$15,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

A natural disaster assistance transport subsidy is available to eligible farmers who are affected by a declared natural disaster event.

Overview

This subsidy pays for the cost of transporting:

- fodder and/or water to an affected property
- stock to sale or slaughter
- stock to/from agistment
- or bee or oyster movements.

A maximum subsidy of $15,000 can be claimed once by an eligible applicant for each declared natural disaster event, regardless of how many parcels of land, and regardless of whether that disaster spans one or two financial years.

The subsidy will be paid for road transport (for fodder, water, stock and bees) or water-based movements using a vessel (for oysters) at a rate of 50% of the total amount (GST exclusive) paid to the carrier or specified costs for an owner-driver. A maximum distance of 1500 km applies for road transport.

Refer to the Declared natural disasters table for LGA's eligible for this assistance.

Limitations

To be eligible for the subsidy, you must be a primary producer, as an individual, trust, company or other primary production enterprise that:

- has a right or interest in a farm enterprise (this can include a lessee) or a Class A aquaculture permit covering oysters
- contributes a part of his, her or its labour and capital to the primary production enterprise
- derives at least 50% of his, her or its income from the primary production enterprise

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- has assets that have suffered direct damage by the declared natural disaster
- has an active Australian Business Number (ABN) at the time of the declared natural disaster
- is a primary production enterprise located within a local government area impacted by the declared natural disaster.

Primary producers are defined as those that are listed under the Australian New Zealand Standard Industrial Classification 2006 (ANZSIC) 1292.0 (Revision 2.0) Codes:

- 01 (Agriculture),
- 02 (Aquaculture),
- 03 (Forestry and Logging),
- 04 (Fishing, Hunting and Trapping) and
- 05 (Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing Support Services).

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Mail, Online, Email
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00038/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00038/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00038/apply
Email: rural.assist@raa.nsw.gov.au

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On-farm Drought Infrastructure Rebate Scheme

Funding Provider
Primary Industries and Regions SA (PIRSA)

Location
SA

Funding Type
Rebate U00642

Primary Category
Agriculture, fisheries and forestry

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Business

Funding
$20,000
Total Pool: Unknown

Rounds
Closes **31 Jan 2026**

Purpose

The On-Farm Drought Infrastructure Rebate Scheme is for primary producers to implement infrastructure projects that assist with managing current drought conditions and strengthen preparedness for future droughts.

Overview

Where payment is made in advance, eligible activities must be completed within 6 months of receiving grant funds.

Only one application will be accepted per ABN for a primary production business, except for Tier 1 applicants who applied on or before 17 April 2025 who are eligible to access additional funding under Tier 2.

Tier 1: 75% rebate - grants of up to $5,000 (GST exclusive)

Successful applicants must be able to cover the full cost of the infrastructure and will be reimbursed through the grant for 75% of the total cost up to a maximum grant of $5,000 GST exclusive. Applicants must contribute at least 25% of the total infrastructure cost.

Applicants that have already applied or been approved for Tier 1 funding will have the opportunity to access additional funding under Tier 2. This will be up to the difference between the funding already allocated and the maximum funding available under Tier 2.

Tier 2: 50% rebate - grants of up to $20,000 (GST exclusive)

Successful applicants must be able to cover the full cost of the infrastructure and will be reimbursed through the grant for 50% of the total cost up to a maximum grant of $20,000 GST exclusive. Applicants must contribute at least 50% of the total infrastructure cost.

Other State or Federal Government funding, including grants, concessional loans, or insurance claim funds, cannot be used towards the applicant's contribution.

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Limitations

Eligibility

To apply for this rebate, the following conditions must be met:

- You are a property owner, share-farmer or lessee in the primary production industry.
- You are a commercial apiarist (managing at least 50 hives).
- Your business is registered with the Australian Taxation Office as a Primary Producer and has an Australian Business Number (ABN) that was registered as at 26 November 2024 and is registered for GST.
- Your property is located in South Australia.
- As the property owner and operator, share-farmer or lessee:
    - you earn more than 50% of your gross income from your primary production business under normal seasonal circumstances, OR
    - you have commenced your farming operation within the last 12 months and 50 per cent of your gross income will be derived from your Primary Production Business within three years of the date of your Application. Eligibility of new entrants will be considered on a case-by-case basis
- You are required to make payment of a minimum 25% of the costs for Tier 1 applications and a minimum of 50% of the costs for any Tier 2 application after any eligible rebate, excluding insurance, other Government grants or concessional loans.
- The drought infrastructure in respect of your application is installed on your property and improves drought management and preparedness.
- You purchased and installed new eligible drought infrastructure, or repaired or replaced existing eligible drought infrastructure on or after 26 November 2024.
- You have not received funding from another South Australian or Australian Government program in respect of the same activities.

You are not eligible to apply for funding under the scheme if you did not meet all the terms and conditions placed on any previous Government of South Australia funding, grant or concessional loan provided to you.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00642/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00642/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00642/apply
Email: PIRSA.Recovery@sa.gov.au **Phone:** 1800 931 314

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Recreational Fishing Trusts Grants

Funding Provider
Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development (NSW)

Location
NSW

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19660

Primary Category
Agriculture, fisheries and forestry

Eligible to
- TAFE
- School
- Not-for-Profit
- State Govt
- University
- Individual
- Business
- Local Govt

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **23 Jan 2026 5pm**

Purpose

To provide funding that will enhance recreational fishing.

Overview

Deliver projects using funds from the Trusts to boost recreational fishing opportunities in NSW. Projects in the current funding round are required to fall within the following grant platforms:

- Fishing infrastructure and improving fishing access,
- Recreational fishing education

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This program is administered by Fisheries and Forestry.

Limitations

All of the following eligibility criteria must be addressed when applying for funding

- Have an Australian Business Number (ABN). Note: Applicants without an ABN may be able to submit a Statement by supplier form in accordance with the law. However, applicants with an intent to submit a future Statement by supplier form must get approval from DPIRD prior to an application being submitted.
- Be a legal entity such as one of the following:
    - a company incorporated in Australia
    - an incorporated association (including clubs) or co-operative
    - a partnership
    - a sole trader
    - a local council or joint organisation of councils
    - an educational institution or organisation
    - a Government agency
    - Only fishing access and facilities or fishing education related projects are eligible for funding.
- Hold or commit to obtaining public liability insurance of not less than $10 million per occurrence or hold equivalent or better self-insurance to the satisfaction of the Department, prior to executing a funding deed with the Department.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19660/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19660/guidelines

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19660/apply
Contact: Recreational Fishing Trust Management Team **Address:** Recreational Fishing Trust Executive Officer NSW DPI LMB 3020 NOWRA 2541 NSW
Email: recreational.fishingtrust@dpi.nsw.gov.au **Phone:** (02) 4916 3835

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Show Societies Grants

Funding Provider
Department of Local Government, Water and Volunteers (QLD)

Location
QLD

Funding Type
Cash Grant G18696

Primary Category
Agriculture, fisheries and forestry

Eligible to
- TAFE
- Not-for-Profit
- State Govt
- University
- Local Govt
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
Total Pool: $2,500,000

Rounds
Closes **30 Jun 2026**

Purpose

The Grant Program aims to financially support organisations throughout Queensland to conduct annual agricultural shows, stimulating local cultural, social, and economic growth.

Overview

The objective of the Grant Program is to provide organisations with financial support to:

a. meet the operational costs (excluding salary or wage related costs) associated with the conduct of annual agricultural shows, and

b. invest in new infrastructure or upgrades and maintenance to showground facilities essential to the operation of the annual agricultural show.

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Limitations

Eligible grant recipients under the grant program are:

- Show societies, councils or other incorporated entities which:
    - conduct or support an annual agricultural show
    - maintain and upgrade showground facilities to support an annual agricultural show
    - meet the affiliation criteria of the Queensland Chamber of Agricultural Societies Inc. (QCAS), are a member of QCAS and conduct an annual agricultural show (please refer to the QCAS by-laws online - www.queenslandshows.com.au)
    - are the owner or trustee of the showground (where the applicant is not the owner or trustee, a grant will be considered subject to confirmation from the owner about suitable arrangements for the show society to hold annual agricultural shows on the land)
- QCAS and other organisations deemed by the Minister to be an eligible recipient under this program.

Where the Minister approves funding for an organisation that is not a council or a member of QCAS, the organisation will be required to:

- be incorporated under the Corporations Act 2001 or the Associations Incorporation Act 1981
- provide evidence of appropriate insurance cover for their agricultural shows
- report gate attendance/takings each year and costs from their most recent annual agricultural show
- report other information as requested by the department.

Eligible costs

Approved funding may only be applied towards “eligible costs” and must be consistent with the aim and objectives of the grant program. Eligible costs include:

- agricultural show-related purchases (including show ribbons, trophies)
- operational costs (including advertising and promotion, equipment hire/lease, health and safety, telephone and internet charges, sundry expenses)
- entertainment
- utilities (including water, gas and electricity costs)
- upgrade and maintenance to existing showground facilities essential to the operation of the annual agricultural show (including repairs, pest control, cleaning and plumbing costs)
- insurance costs (including general, public liability and volunteers)
- show societies who own their grounds may use up to 50 per cent of their approved funding allocation towards new infrastructure works essential to the operation of the annual agricultural show that meet the program objectives. This may include demolition of buildings in disrepair and building new infrastructure (i.e. toilet blocks, grandstands, halls stables).

Ineligible costs

Ineligible costs are costs not directly associated with the conduct of an agricultural show and/or do not support the aim or objective of the grant program. Ineligible costs include:

- wages and salaries of staff engaged by the organisation
- prize money
- donations
- payment of judges (including payment of airfares, food and accommodation costs)
- costs associated with hiring staff from state government agencies (i.e. hiring police officers, ambulance officers and/or security guards)

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Mail, Fax, Email
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G18696/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G18696/guidelines
Email: lgfundingunit@dsdilgp.qld.gov.au **Phone:** (07) 3452 6730

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Small Grants Program

Funding Provider
Victorian Fisheries Authority (VFA)

Location
VIC

Funding Type
Cash Grant G07862

Primary Category
Agriculture, fisheries and forestry

Eligible to
- School
- Not-for-Profit
- State Govt
- Local Govt
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
$5,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

To provide funding of up to $5,000 (GST exclusive) for small recreational fishing projects which benefit public recreational fishing in Victoria.

Overview

At the discretion of the Recreational Fishing Grants Working Group, the Small Grants Program will provide funding under the following categories:

Recreational fishing access and infrastructure

Examples of what can be funded:

- installation of solar lighting above fishing platforms
- fish cleaning tables
- directional, educational and information signage
- fence-stiles, gates, access paths, stairs and/or walkways to improve access to public fishing locations
- pontoons or jetties

*Projects providing all abilities access are encouraged where appropriate.

Community fishing events

Funding is available for events or programs that:

- promote responsible recreational fishing practices
- improve angling skills and knowledge amongst participants
- seek to increase participation in recreational fishing
- support National Gone Fishing Day.
- support the Victorian Fisheries Authority's Women in Recreational Fishing and Boating Network (WIRFAB) - for more information email belinda.yim@vfa.vic.gov.au. **Note:** If you would like us to promote your event to the WIRFAB community to encourage more women to come along, feel free to provide us with details of your event to belinda.yim@vfa.vic.gov.au

As a guide, events could include:

- a workshop or training session on aspects of recreational fishing such as knot- or fly-tying, rig-setting, bait collection and application, fish catch and release techniques,
- 'Come and try' fishing days, Fish-a-thons, or club promotion days
- displays at shows and expos

*Funding for guest speakers at events may be considered

Education projects

Funding is available for education projects that:

- promote responsible and sustainable recreational fishing practice

As a guide, education projects could include:

- the preparation of educational material such as brochures, reports, digital and social media, DVDs, radio programs

Limitations

Who can apply and how to apply?

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Community not-for-profit organisations, angling clubs/associations, schools, statutory bodies/government agencies and incorporated bodies/associations in Victoria are eligible to apply if they:

- Involve community members at the local level;
- Are an incorporated body, co-operative or association; and
- Have an Australian Business Number (ABN) or have written advice from the Australian Taxation Office that the Withholding Tax does not apply to the grant payment.

Unincorporated organisations may apply through a sponsoring organisation, which is an incorporated body, cooperative, or association that has an ABN.

The Small Grants Program is unable to fund:

- Natural persons (refer - Who can apply and how to apply?);
- The purchase of equipment for a group's exclusive use, competitions and prizes, give-aways, or alcohol for any events;
- General operating or travel costs not directly associated with a project/event;
- The stocking of fish (including the purchase, transportation and/or the release of fish for an event);
- Projects assessed as having little value or no benefit to public recreational fishing in Victoria; and/or
- Recreational boating-related infrastructure including, but not confined to boat ramps/pontoons and/or related jetties, ramp access dredging, boat wash-down facilities, boat berthing, boat trailer access and/or car parking that may be funded from recreational vessel registration fees under the control of the Department of Transport, or an alternative source.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G07862/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G07862/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G07862/apply
Email: rec.fishinggrants@vfa.vic.gov.au **Phone:** (03) 8392 6872

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South-east Marine Parks Network Fishing Business Assistance Program

Funding Provider
Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water (DCCEEW)

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19764

Primary Category
Agriculture, fisheries and forestry

Eligible to
Business

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **22 Jan 2026**

Purpose

The grants are designed to assist commercial fishers, who are directly and negatively impacted by changes to zoning introduced by the South-east Marine Parks Network Management Plan 2025, to transition their businesses into the new operating environment.

Overview

The Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water (DCCEEW) and Director of National Parks (DNP) is delivering this grant opportunity to assist eligible commercial fishers to transition their operations to the new management arrangements established by the 2025-35 South-east Marine Parks Network Management Plan (the Plan). The Plan, which came into effect on 13 February 2025 outlines how the DNP will manage the South-east Marine Parks network for 10 years: including through new zoning arrangements that both protect Australia's marine environment and

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support Australia's sustainable commercial fishing industry. The grant opportunity is designed to support commercial fishing operators who are directly and negatively impacted by changes to zoning in the Plan.

This grant opportunity is based on the 2019 Fishing Business Assistance Program, which provided assistance to commercial fishers in SA, WA, NT, QLD, NSW and Commonwealth jurisdictions, to adjust their business to the management arrangements established by 5 new marine park management plans introduced in 2018.

Individual grant amounts will vary. The grant amount available to an Eligible Person for a relevant Authorisation is determined through a formula that estimates 5 years of average profits foregone from displaced areas. It is based on the estimated average annual income foregone, using an assumed profit of 30% and a term of 5 years being sufficient for adjustment.

Limitations

An Eligible Person is a commercial fisher who meets the eligibility criteria in section 4 of the Grant Opportunity Guidelines.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19764/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19764/guidelines
Email: support@communitygrants.gov.au

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Sustainability Loans for Primary Producers

Funding Provider
Queensland Rural and Industry Development Authority (QRIDA)

Location
QLD

Funding Type
Low Or No-interest Loan S04844

Primary Category
Agriculture, fisheries and forestry

Eligible to
- Individual
- Business

Funding
Total Pool: $120,000,000

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Sustainability Loans can help you to invest in the latest infrastructure to create a viable future for your farming business including activities that improve farming system sustainability, natural resource sustainability and financial sustainability.

Overview

You can use a Sustainability Loan to:

- upgrade, expand or diversify your current operation to improve productivity and long-term profitability, create jobs and boost private sector investment
- undertake drought preparedness activities and invest in infrastructure that improves drought and disaster preparedness
- improve irrigation and establish additional water points to improve efficiency
- purchase capital equipment to meet environmental and climatic challenges, including predator fencing and renewable energy, measures to improve outcomes for the Great Barrier Reef and measures which could reduce net carbon emissions
- invest in biosecurity measures
- implement value adding or supply chain initiatives.

View the current interest rates here.

Loan assessment and security

Security must be provided commensurate with the amount of the loan. For most loans a mortgage over land provides adequate loan security. In some instances, loan security may also include other business assets such as water and livestock.

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QRIDA may consider joint lending options with your bank or other commercial lenders.

When assessing your loan application, we always discuss this with you and your commercial lender.

QRIDA will assess applications for the 2025-2026 financial year in the date order they are received complete up to 30 June 2026 or until available scheme lending had been fully committed.

Limitations

Eligibility

To be eligible for a Sustainability Loan at least one person in your primary production business needs to be a primary producer.

You are also required to:

- have operated your Queensland based primary production business for at least two years; and
- have sound prospects for commercial viability and the ability to service the loan in the long term.

For purposes related to financial sustainability you are required to demonstrate:

- concessional finance is needed to secure sound prospects for success in the long term; and
- the proposal is not simply expanding an already financially sound primary production business, for example, by acquiring more land.

For purposes related to natural resource sustainability or farming system sustainability:

- you should demonstrate the primary production business is not in a financial position to readily support the proposal from cash resources, or a ready capability to service increased commercial lending.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Mail, Email
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S04844/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S04844/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S04844/apply
Address: QRAA GPO Box 211 Brisbane 4001 QLD
Website: https://www.qrida.qld.gov.au/contact-us **Email:** contact_us@qraa.qld.gov.au **Phone:** 1800 623 946

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WA Agricultural Show Grant

Funding Provider
Royal Agricultural Society of Western Australia (RASWA)

Location
WA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19611

Primary Category
Agriculture, fisheries and forestry

Eligible to
Not-for-Profit

Funding
$10,000
Total Pool: $600,000

Rounds
Closes **30 Jun 2026**

Purpose

Western Australian Government has committed to providing financial support to Agricultural Show Societies across Western Australia.

Overview

The WA Agricultural Show Grant Program is a non-competitive, allocation-based program, with $600,000 in total funding, and up to $10,000 available for each eligible recipient.

The objective of the Grant Program is to provide organisations with financial support to:

- Showcase WA food and agriculture

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- Meet operational costs (excluding salary or wage-related expenses) associated with hosting annual agricultural shows that showcase local food and agriculture
- Support volunteer programs
- Deliver new, innovative, and free activities for patrons
- Invest in infrastructure upgrades or maintenance of showground facilities essential to the operation of annual agricultural shows

Limitations

Eligible recipients under the Grant Program include:

- Agricultural Show Societies or other incorporated entities that:
- Conduct or support an annual (or biennial) agricultural show
- Deliver a show with a clear agricultural or primary industry focus
- Are affiliated with the Royal Agricultural Society of Western Australia (RASWA)
- Showground owners or trustees - where the applicant is not the owner or trustee, a grant may still be considered subject to written confirmation from the landowner permitting suitable arrangements for the Show Society to hold annual agricultural shows on the site.

All organisations approved by RASWA for funding must:

- Be incorporated under WA legislation (1937 Affiliates Act) or the ACNC
- Provide evidence of appropriate insurance coverage for their agricultural show
- Report gate attendance/takings and costs from their most recent show
- Provide any additional reporting required under the official Program Guidelines.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19611/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19611/apply
Website: https://www.raswa.org.au/contact-us/ **Email:** members@raswa.org.au

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ACAHF Grant

Funding Provider
Australian Companion Animal Health Foundation (ACAHF)

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Research R00114

Primary Category
Animal welfare

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- University
- Business

Funding
$15,000

Rounds
Closes **2 Feb 2026**

Purpose

The ACAHF offers grants of up to $15,000 for research into the causes, prevention and cure of diseases in companion animals (principally cats and dogs).

Overview

Grants are for one year only, however, successful applicants are welcome to apply for further funding the following year; noting that these applications will need to demonstrate satisfactory achievement of the project's initial goals and will compete with all other applications submitted for funding in that year.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/R00114/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/R00114/apply
Email: info@acahf.org

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Petstock Grant Program

Funding Provider
Petstock Group

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G12999

Primary Category
Animal welfare

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Helping pets and people to live better.

Overview

The majority of Petstock funding is allocated to locally based, grassroots organisations that are best placed to make a real difference but have limited resources and often struggle to find funding. If your organisation is in the fortunate position of having many supporters and corporate sponsors or is able to secure mainstream funding such as government grants, we of course welcome you to apply also. However, Petstock believe they can make the most impact by funding causes that are often overlooked by other funders.

They are looking for organisations or projects that create long-term change and care for or help rehabilitate those in need (whether that's people, animals or the planet):

- Assist abused, abandoned and neglected pets through rescue, rehabilitation and/and rehoming initiatives;
- will support those who require assistance within our communities through companion animal projects and disaster assistance;
- will help raise awareness about rescue pets, animal health and the impact of animals on human happiness and health.

Limitations

Preferred charities will display the following characteristics:

- Clearly defined needs and suitability
- Clearly stated outputs and outcomes, including the measures that will assess whether these have been achieved
- Development and building of existing organisational strength
- A thoroughly considered and mapped sustainability proposal
- Leverage potential impact that extends beyond the target group
- A contribution to knowledge and practice in the sector of operation
- Tax status to be eligible for a grant

Ineligible activities:

- Anything contributing to the subjugation of animals (farming, research, testing)
- Event costs such as venue hire
- Costs of services such as PR, design, marketing and printing costs
- Schools or student exhibitions
- Salary costs
- Travel costs

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G12999/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G12999/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G12999/apply
Email: customerervice@petstock.com.au

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Threatened Species Partnership Grant

Funding Provider
Department of Natural Resources and Environment Tasmania

Location
TAS

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19651

Primary Category
Animal welfare

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- University
- Business

Funding
$150,000
Total Pool: $600,000 (approx)

Rounds
Closes **18 Jan 2026 midnight**

Purpose

The grant program will support threatened species in Tasmania through co-funding projects that will result in demonstrable conservation benefits to threatened species.

Overview

Round 2 of the Grant Program focuses on two key themes: 'Healthy Habitat' and 'Resilience to Invasive Species and Disease'. Projects must involve on-ground actions that support the recovery of Tasmanian threatened species-either by protecting, managing or restoring their habitat, or by reducing the impacts of invasive species and disease.

Projects funded will be those that target threatened species or habitats of high conservation priority, deliver clear and tangible conservation benefits, build capacity and/or partnerships and demonstrate value for money.

Limitations

To be eligible to apply for this grant, applicants must:

- Be a Tasmanian organisation or sole trader (or have an affiliated branch in Tasmania), external to the State Government; and
- Have not submitted another application as the lead organisation under round two of the Grant Program (only one application is permitted per organisation).
    - This does not include being listed as a partner organisation; there is no limit to the number of applications you can be listed on as a supporting partner.
    - For large organisations with divisions that operate as separate entities (such as academic institutions), we can accept applications from the different divisions. If you are part of a large organisation and are unsure if you're eligible to submit an application, please contact ThreatenedSpeciesFund@nre.tas.gov.au to discuss.

Please note, the successful applicants will also need to meet the following requirements to be awarded a grant deed:

- Be capable of entering into a legally binding and enforceable agreement with the Tasmanian Government;
- Have an ABN and be registered for the purposes of GST;
- Have an account with an Australian financial institution;
- Be able to produce a financial viability letter from an accountant if requested;
- Not have any outstanding reports, acquittals or serious breaches relating to any Tasmanian Government funding; and
- Be eligible for permits under the Nature Conservation Act 2002 and Threatened Species Protection Act 1995 where such a permit is required.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19651/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19651/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19651/apply
Email: ThreatenedSpeciesFund@nre.tas.gov.au

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Voiceless Grants Program

Funding Provider
Voiceless, the animal protection institute

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G03262

Primary Category
Animal welfare

Eligible to
- TAFE
- Not-for-Profit
- School
- University
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
Amount: $10,000 (approx) to $20,000 (approx)
Total Pool: $100,000 (approx)

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Voiceless Grants Program focuses exclusively on the root causes of animal exploitation and works to shift the anti-animal values, beliefs and assumptions that shape our political, social, legal and economic systems.

Overview

The Voiceless Grants Program aims to inspire and support a new generation of changemakers in animal protection through its Theory of Change strategy.

Voiceless invests in, encourages and empowers visionary people and transformative ideas that address the root causes of anthropocentric attitudes and focus on important reforms to our social and legal systems.

We are investing in projects that are disruptive and challenge the status quo. These include approaches that disrupt dominant anthropocentric attitudes, reform all versions of animal exploitation and legalised animal cruelty, and that promote animal flourishing.

Funding categories:

- Education: Humane and animal protection education in schools.
- Law and Policy: Developing animal law, legislative reforms and policy/lobbying work
- Social values: Addressing speciesism through qualitative and quantitative (academic or community-based) research
- Science and Technology: Alternatives to animal use such as alternative proteins and cell-based animal products.
- Network and coalition building: Organising conferences, symposia, cohort programs, grassroots organizing, organisational alliances, First Nation or faith-based community organising
- Creativity: Adopting innovative and visionary initiatives that go beyond traditional animal advocacy work.

Voiceless's funding for the Australian financial year *(1st July 2025 - 30th June 2026)* has been primarily committed due to the overwhelming number of excellent applications received over the last 12 months, which successfully met our grant criteria.

However, if you would still like to submit an EOI, it will allow them to learn about your work.

Limitations

The Voiceless Grants Program is open but not limited to animal advocacy organisations, animal lawyers and law educators, humane educators, animal studies academics and creatives, environmental and wildlife scientists, First Nations groups, and diverse community and religious groups.

Preference will be given to small to medium-sized not-for-profit organisations and/or animal advocates. Organisations with comparatively large annual revenues will not be prioritised. In Australia, for example, this would be an organisation with a revenue of over AUD $3m.

Voiceless may be open to opportunities for 'impact investing' with small grassroots companies or start-ups with bright, innovative ideas in the vegan space. All profits will be returned to Voiceless's work.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G03262/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G03262/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G03262/apply
Email: grants@voiceless.org.au **Phone:** (02) 9357 0773

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Wildlife Rehabilitator Grants Program

Funding Provider
Department of Energy, Environment and Climate Action (VIC)

Location
VIC

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19475

Primary Category
Animal welfare

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$3,000

Rounds
not defined

Purpose

The Wildlife Rehabilitator Grants program provides funding to support Victorias authorised wildlife rehabilitators.

Overview

The Wildlife Rehabilitator Grants program provides funding to support Victoria's authorised wildlife rehabilitators.

The objectives of the program aim to help authorised wildlife shelter operators and foster carers to:

- improve the standard of wildlife care they provide
- improve their facilities to treat, house and rehabilitate wildlife for release
- increase their knowledge/skills in the care of wildlife.

Grants of up to $3,000 are available per wildlife shelter operator and up to $2,000 per eligible foster carer for equipment, infrastructure, consumables, education and training.

Limitations

Who can apply?

To be eligible for these Wildlife Rehabilitator Grants, individuals must:

- be a wildlife shelter operator or foster carer authorised under section 28A of the *Wildlife Act 1975*
- have the consent of the property owner if you are not the owner of premises
- have the landowner (public or private) consent for installation of nest boxes activities (if applicable)
- be actively caring for injured wildlife and keeping records.

Note: They accept one application per authorised location only.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19475/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19475/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19475/apply
Email: enviro.grants@deeca.vic.gov.au **Phone:** 136 186

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Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander - Professional Development

Funding Provider
CreateSA

Location
SA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G17315

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Business
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
$10,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **2 Feb 2026 5pm**

Last Round
Closed **7 Oct 2025**

Purpose

This grant supports professional development opportunities for individual Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander artists and arts workers to undertake skills development and training that is relevant to their arts practice or professional practice as an arts or cultural worker.

Overview

What you can apply for:

- mentoring
- short courses, including arts-related business courses
- work placement
- masterclasses
- workshops
- attendance at conferences
- arts residencies
- attachment to festivals or arts organisations, internships.

Limitations

Who can apply

- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander artists (individuals)
- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander arts and cultural workers (individuals)
- arts and cultural organisations and Aboriginal arts centres may submit and/or auspice grants on behalf of individual Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander artists and arts and cultural workers.

Who is ineligible

- groups and organisations (unless auspicing individual artists and/or arts and cultural workers)
- non-Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander individuals.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G17315/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G17315/guidelines

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G17315/apply
Email: CreateSaGrants@sa.gov.au **Phone:** (08) 8463 5444

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Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Grants - Projects

Funding Provider
CreateSA

Location
SA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19786

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- State Govt
- Individual
- Business
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
$25,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **2 Feb 2026**

Purpose

This grant supports the creative development, production and presentation of new work.

Overview

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander individual artists and arts and cultural workers, groups and arts and cultural organisations can apply for projects across all art forms.

What you can apply for:

- creative development and/or production or making of work, including research and planning
- exhibitions and touring costs regionally, nationally and internationally
- presentation opportunities to enhance your profile locally, nationally and internationally
- performance opportunities
- research projects.

Limitations

Who can apply

- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander individual artists, groups, arts and cultural organisations
- non-Aboriginal led organisations that support Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander artists, culture and practice may apply and will need to demonstrate and reference that appropriate consultation and protocols are in place
- funded organisations: small-to-medium organisations, major organisations and Statutory Authorities
- organisations funded through the National Performing Arts Partnership Framework (NPAPF) formerly known as Major Performing Arts (MPA) Companies
- arts and cultural organisations and Aboriginal arts centres may submit and/or auspice grants on behalf of individual Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander artists and arts and cultural workers.

Who is ineligible

- non-Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander individuals.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19786/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19786/guidelines

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19786/apply
Email: CreateSAGrants@sa.gov.au **Phone:** +61 8 8363 8670

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Art Equipment Grants

Funding Providers
Department of People, Sport and Culture (NT)
Arts NT

Location
NT

Funding Type
Cash Grant G18981

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
Not-for-Profit

Funding
$10,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **31 May 2026 12:30 PM (ACST)**

Purpose

The Art Equipment grant category supports arts organisations to purchase minor equipment that is used for the production, presentation, promotion, and sale of artworks by NT artists at arts facilities in the Northern Territory.

Overview

Prioritises "Remote' and 'Very Remote' arts organisations and Aboriginal owned art centres.

Examples:

- Arts production equipment (e.g. kilns, printing presses, amplifiers) for creating and developing work by NT artists
- Arts presentation equipment (e.g. sound systems, gallery fittings) for displaying NT artists work
- Furniture and tools for storage, display or documentation (e.g. drawer, display units, stretchers).

Round is open until May 31, 2026, or until budget expended.

Limitations

Organisations must be not-for-profit, legally constituted organisations that have their main place of business registered in the NT. Only organisations whose core business is the delivery of arts programs and services for the benefit of Territorians are eligible to apply. If your organisation's core business is something other than arts programs and services, contact Arts NT.

Organisations not registered in the NT are eligible to apply if they meet all the following criteria:

- have a physical presence in the NT (see Glossary of terms)
- an established track record of a minimum 3 years of grant funding auspiced through a NT arts and culture organisation and have successfully acquitted all funding. Applicants with a track record of non-compliance will not be eligible
- deliver activities that have significant arts and cultural outcomes that benefit NT artists, arts organisations and the NT arts sector.

Organisations that do not meet the above criteria cannot apply but may partner with an eligible NT organisation to administer the grant on their behalf.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G18981/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G18981/guidelines
Email: arts.office@nt.gov.au **Phone:** 08 8999 8981

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Art Music Fund

Funding Provider
APRA AMCOS

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19827

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$7,500
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **16 Feb 2026**

Purpose

The Art Music Fund Supporting new work that is innovative, displays professional compositional craft and represents a benchmark of excellence in its field.

Overview

The fund supports works that have committed partners to ensure the work is presented multiple times with the intention to create a long artistic life for the work and by extension its composer.

The Fund supports a wide range of music styles including the following:

- Notated composition
- Electroacoustic music
- Improvised music, including innovative, original jazz
- Sound art
- Installation sound
- Multimedia, web and film sound and music
- Theatrical, operatic and choreographed music

Funding and expenses

The Art Music Fund will award eleven A$7,500 grants (nine for Australia, two for New Zealand). These grants are intended as a contribution towards the commission of the proposed work.

The Art Music Fund is not intended to fund an entire project. It is intended to cover the cost of commissioning the work, thus reducing the overall project cost and providing certainty to composers.

Limitations

Applicants:

While applications may commit a number of parties (performers, ensembles, recording companies, composers etc.) to the project, the Applicant must be a single composer. The term "composer" is used inclusively, covering anyone involved in the creation of a work, including:

- Sound artists
- Improvisers
- One of a team of creative collaborators

In applications involving multiple creators, one of the collaborators must be identified as the primary contact for the application (The Applicant).

The Applicant must be a member of APRA.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19827/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19827/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19827/apply
Email: writer@apra.com.au **Phone:** 02 9935 7900

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Arts Activities (up to $5,000)

Funding Provider
Arts ACT

Location
ACT

Funding Type
Cash Grant G08380

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
Amount: $500 to $5,000
Total Pool: $180,000 (approx)

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Artists can apply for funding up to $5,000 at any time of the year, giving them access to support for their arts practice when they need it.

Overview

The Government has committed at least $180,000 to be available for the up to $5k category over the calendar year.

- Requests can be from $500 to $5,000. Given high demand for limited funds, requests for $5,000 need to be exceptional.
- Applications can be made at any time but must be submitted at least six weeks before the activity start date.
- Applications are assessed by artsACT staff. External peers may be consulted if required.
- Applicants can only receive funding in this category once each calendar year, except in exceptional circumstances.
- Applicants may also apply to the $5-50k category, for a different activity or another stage of the Up to $5k activity.

Arts Activities funding applications must strongly meet one or more of the following three strategies:

- Create amazing art and culture – everywhere, at any time and for everyone
- Develop arts, cultural and creative industry, practice, and facilities – supporting creation and culture at all levels, via any path
- Promote our arts and culture – to attract artists and creators, arts workers, visitors and investment.

Limitations

Applicants who reside in Canberra

- Individual Canberra residents holding Australian citizenship, permanent resident status, New Zealand Special Category visa or on a temporary Australian visa which expires no less than two years from the date of application.
- Groups based in Canberra (including unincorporated bodies, partnerships and individuals informally collaborating on an activity). The majority of the members of a group must reside in Canberra.
- Organisations registered under law (e.g. incorporated association, company limited by guarantee) and registered in Canberra.

Groups or unincorporated organisations

Groups or unincorporated organisations must nominate one person to take legal and financial responsibility for any funding or be auspiced by an incorporated organisation. To find out more about auspicing arrangements see Auspicing arrangements, below.

Applicants not residing in Canberra

For applicants who do not reside in Canberra, an exception can be made where the applicant's practice is clearly based in Canberra.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G08380/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G08380/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G08380/apply
Email: artsACT@act.gov.au **Phone:** 6207 2384

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Arts Activities (up to $50,000)

Funding Provider
Arts ACT

Location
ACT

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19606

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
Amount: $5,000 to $50,000
Total Pool: $720,000 (approx)

Rounds
Closes **27 Feb 2026**

Purpose

Arts Activities funding supports artists, groups and arts organisations to undertake a broad range of activities including artform-based projects, mentorships, residencies, professional or skills development and opportunities for the community to actively engage in the arts.

Overview

Arts Activities funding is available to ACT-based artists at all stages of their careers and to organisations providing the Canberra community with opportunities to engage in the arts.

Activities can relate to dance, literature, music, theatre, visual arts and cross-arts activities. Please note government support for the screen sector is provided through Screen Canberra and all activities relating to screen or film should apply to Screen Canberra.

Funded activities must strongly meet one or more of the following aims:

- Arts Development
- Arts Participation and Access
- Arts Opportunities

Amount available

- Requests can be from over $5,000 to $50,000.
- There will be two rounds each year with set opening, closing and announcement dates.
    - Round One opens annually on 1 December and closes 28 February with announcements made by 31 May for activities to commence from 1 July.
    - Round Two opens annually on 1 June and closes 31 July with announcements made by 31 October for activities to commence from 1 December.
- Applications are peer assessed.
- Applicants can only receive funding in this category once each calendar year.
- Applicants may also apply to the Up to $5k category for a different activity or another stage of the $5k to $50k activity.

Limitations

Applicants who reside in Canberra.

- Individual Canberra residents holding Australian citizenship, permanent resident status, New Zealand Special Category visa or on a temporary Australian visa which expires no less than two years from the date of application.
- Groups based in Canberra (including unincorporated bodies, partnerships and individuals informally collaborating on an activity). The majority of the members of a group must reside in Canberra.
- Organisations registered under law (e.g. incorporated association, company limited by guarantee) and registered in Canberra.

Groups or unincorporated organisations

Groups or unincorporated organisations must nominate one person to take legal and financial responsibility for any funding or be auspiced by an incorporated organisation. To find out more about auspicing arrangements see Auspicing arrangements, below.

Applicants not residing in Canberra

For applicants who do not reside in Canberra, an exception can be made where the applicant's practice is clearly based in Canberra.

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Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
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Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19606/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19606/apply
Email: artsACT@act.gov.au **Phone:** 02 6207 2384

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Arts Projects Program - Organisations

Funding Provider
Creative Australia

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G06945

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
- TAFE
- Not-for-Profit
- School
- University
- State Govt
- Local Govt
- Business
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
Amount: $20,000 to $100,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

This program funds a range of activities that deliver benefits to the arts sector and wider public, including national and international audiences and communities. Organisations that undertake arts programs, projects, or that provide services to artists, are welcome to apply.

Overview

Organisations can propose a single project, a suite of projects or annual programs of activity.

Grants are available from $20,000 to $100,000. Supported activities must last no longer than two years from the proposed start date.

If you need advice about applying, **contact an Artists Services Officer**.

Limitations

Who can apply?

You can only submit one application from your organisation's account to each closing date for Arts Projects for Organisations.

Only organisations may apply to this category.

Organisations that provide a service to the arts are welcome to apply.

International organisations can apply for projects that benefit practicing Australian artists, their work or Australian audiences.

Applications for funding to the First Nations panel must come from First Nations organisations.

For organisations receiving multi-year investment through Four Year Investment, the Visual Arts and Crafts Strategy or Visual Arts, Crafts and Design Framework from 2021-2024 and/or 2025-2028 – please contact your Multi Year Investment Manager or Artists Services to find out if you are eligible to apply to the 5 March 2024 closing date.

Who can't apply?

You can't apply for a grant if:

- you have already applied to this closing date for Arts Projects for Organisations
- you are applying to our International programs closing on Tuesday 9 April 2024 for the same activities
- you have an overdue grant report
- you owe money to Creative Australia
- you are an individual or group
- you receive multi-year investment through the National Performing Arts Partnership Framework

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- for organisations receiving multi-year investment through Four Year Investment, the Visual Arts and Crafts Strategy or Visual Arts, Crafts and Design Framework from 2021-2024 and/or 2025-2028 – please contact your Multi Year Investment Manager or Artists Services to find out if you are eligible to apply to the 5 March 2024 closing date

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G06945/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G06945/apply
Address: PO Box 788 Strawberry Hills 2012 NSW
Email: enquiries@australiacouncil.gov.au **Phone:** 1800 226 912

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Arts Projects for Individuals and Groups

Funding Provider
Creative Australia

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G06947

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
Amount: $10,000 to $50,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Up to $50,000 for a range of activities and projects, both national and international, across all art forms.

Overview

This program funds a range of activities that deliver benefits to the arts sector and wider public, including national and international audiences and communities.

Grants are available from $10,000 to $50,000. Supported activities must not last longer than two years from the proposed start date.

If you need advice about applying, contact an **Artists Services Officer**.

Limitations

Who can apply

You can only submit one application to each closing date for Arts Projects for Individuals and Groups.

Only individuals and groups may apply to this category. You must be an Australian citizen or an Australian permanent resident, and a practicing artist or arts professional.

Applications for funding to the First Nations panel must come from First Nations individuals or groups.

Who can't apply

You cannot apply for this grant if:

- you have already applied to this closing date for Arts Projects for Individuals and Groups
- you are applying to our **International Engagement Fund** for the same activities
- you have an overdue grant report
- you owe money to Creative Australia
- you are an organisation.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G06947/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G06947/apply
Website: https://creative.gov.au/about-us/contact-us/ **Email:** enquiries@creative.gov.au **Phone:** 02 9215 9000

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Arts Projects for Organisations

Funding Provider
Department of Creative Industries, Tourism and Sport (WA)

Location
WA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19679

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
- TAFE
- Not-for-Profit
- School
- University
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
Amount: $5,000 to $80,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **15 Jan 2026**

Purpose

The program supports the development and growth of a vibrant sector that promotes the participation and active engagement of Western Australian communities in high quality arts and cultural experiences.

Overview

The 4 categories are:

1. Aboriginal Arts
2. Arts and Creative Business Development
3. Creative Development
4. Annual Program of Activity.

This program may fund up to 80% of your activity costs. You must demonstrate at least 20% income, or your application will be ineligible. Your funding request will be the difference between your expenditure minus your income in your application budget.

Eligible disciplines:

- circus and physical theatre
- comedy
- community arts and cultural development
- cross-art form
- dance
- design
- interactive arts content
- literature and writing (limited to literary fiction, literary non-fiction, poetry, illustrated narrative)
- multi-arts festivals
- music
- music theatre and opera
- other performing arts
- theatre
- visual arts.

Limitations

Organisations that deliver arts projects, a program of arts activity or arts services are welcome to apply to this program however:

- organisations must either be registered under law (for example incorporated association, company limited by guarantee) or created by law (for example university, school or government statutory authority)
- individuals, partnerships, or groups applying for funding must apply through the Arts Projects for Individuals and Groups program
- individuals being auspiced by an organisation must apply through this program
- if you are considering submitting an administered/auspiced grant you must contact the department before commencing your application
- WA educational institutions (kindergartens, primary and secondary schools, colleges and universities) cannot apply for curriculum-based arts activity. If you are in any doubt, contact us to discuss your activity

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- if you are applying on behalf of Aboriginal people you must provide evidence of significant Aboriginal involvement in the conception, development of and participation in the activity. Please contact us to discuss how to demonstrate this
- although WA residency is not a requirement to apply for a grant, if you are applying from outside WA you will need to show the benefits to WA artists, creatives, arts or cultural workers in your application
- Arts Organisation Investment Program or National Performing Arts Partnership Framework funded organisations are not eligible to apply to this program, unless you are auspicing an application for an individual group.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19679/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19679/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19679/apply
Email: grantsprogramsca@dlgsc.wa.gov.au **Phone:** 08 6552 7400

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Arts and Culture - NXT Gen ARTS

Funding Providers
Department of People, Sport and Culture (NT)
Arts NT

Location
NT

Funding Type
Cash Grant G18987

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$13,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **31 May 2026 12:30 PM (ACST)**

Purpose

The NXT Gen ARTS category supports structured career development for early career artists aged 18-25 through a work placement with a host NT arts organisation.

Overview

The program aims to provide hands on experience in the creative industries and strengthen employment pathways for young people in the NT arts and culture sector.

Up to $13,000 per application, per financial year ($10,000 for the early career artist and $3,000 for the host organisation) is available to individuals aged 18 to 25 at the time of application.

Placement outcomes:

- Managing yourself as a professional artist
- Arts management - the business of being an artist
- Arts industry - participation and contribution
- Art form specific outcomes

Limitations

Eligibility requirements:

- Individuals aged 18 to 25 years at the time of application
- Applicants must provide a written placement plan, developed with and endorsed by the host organisation, outlining the expected outcomes. Hosts can be an AGP funded arts organisation or another creative arts organisation. Contact Arts NT to discuss potential hosts.
- The placement must be continuous and completed as a full-time, 3-month placement. In some cases, part-time placements over no more than 6 months may be considered. All placements must total 400 hours.
- Applicants cannot be a current full-time or part-time employee of the host organisation. Casual employees may be eligible if the placement involves different duties, and the host maintains their casual employment alongside the placement hours.

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Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G18987/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G18987/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G18987/apply
Email: arts.office@nt.gov.au **Phone:** (08) 8999 8981

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Arts and Culture - Quick Response Grants

Funding Providers
Department of People, Sport and Culture (NT)
Arts NT

Location
NT

Funding Type
Cash Grant G18983

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
$1,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **31 May 2026**

Purpose

Through the Quick Response Grant, you can get funding to access arts and cultural opportunities that arise at short notice.

Overview

Examples may include:

- Travel costs to participate in a showcase, marketplace, or conference within the NT, interstate or nationally that arises at short notice
- Opportunities to present or promote artworks and arts and cultural activities at short notice, including travel costs and freight.

Up to $1,000 per applicant, per financial year, available to individuals. If your activity involves travel and you live in a 'Very Remote Australia' area, you may be eligible for up to an additional $500 per financial year to help cover travel to or from that location.

Funding is open until 31 May 2026, or until budget expended.

Limitations

Individual applicants must be:

- an Australian citizen or have permanent residence status
- over 18 years of age
- a current resident of the NT.

Individuals applying with an Organisation profile are still considered as Individuals for applicant eligibility purposes. NT Government employees are ineligible if a direct or perceived conflict of interest exists. You must declare if you are an NT Government employee.

At least 50% of the total activity budget must come from sources other than Arts NT. Arts organisations may only administer this grant when supporting applicants with accessibility requirements

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G18983/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G18983/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G18983/apply
Email: arts.office@nt.gov.au **Phone:** (08) 8999 8981

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Arts and Culture - Small Arts Projects

Funding Providers
Department of People, Sport and Culture (NT)
Arts NT

Location
NT

Funding Type
Cash Grant G18988

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
$5,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **31 May 2026 2:30 PM (ACST)**

Purpose

The Small Arts Project grant category supports arts and cultural activities across the NT that increase community access, engagement, and participation in the arts.

Overview

The program prioritises applicants in 'Very Remote Australia', Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, young people, people with disability, seniors and multicultural communities.

Examples:

- A series of theatre workshops for young people resulting in a performance created by the young participants and open to the wider community to attend
- A visual arts project with participants from multicultural backgrounds, resulting in an exhibition and community celebration
- Engagement of an Aboriginal Elder as the cultural workshop teacher for the sharing of knowledge and preservation of traditional arts practice.

Limitations

- Applications are open to individuals, groups and organisations
- The activity must have a clear arts and cultural outcome and/or output
- Organisations and groups must have a lead artist confirmed to apply
- Arts organisations receiving over $50,001 per annum through the AGP are not eligible to apply.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G18988/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G18988/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G18988/apply
Email: arts.office@nt.gov.au **Phone:** 08 8999 8981

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Australian Antarctic Arts Fellowship

Funding Provider
Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water (DCCEEW)

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Scholarship S05741

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **1 Feb 2026**

Purpose

The Australian Antarctic Arts Fellowship aims to support the production of significant works of art and interpretation by professionals in the creative arts, humanities and social sciences.

Overview

The Arts Fellowship aims to increase awareness and appreciation of Antarctica, the sub-Antarctic, Southern Ocean and the Australian Antarctic Program through creative outputs that engage national and international audiences in:

- activities of the Australian Antarctic Program
- importance of the unique Antarctic and sub-Antarctic natural environment
- human stories and endeavours of Australians in Antarctica
- Australia's continuing connection with Antarctica and the sub-Antarctic established through its historical presence and legacy
- Australia's commitment to the Antarctic Treaty and its values of international cooperation, peace, scientific research and environmental protection.

As one of Australia's most unique residency experiences the Fellowship advances these objectives by enabling artists and creative professionals to travel south to conduct research for the development of creative outcomes.

Communicating through (but not limited to) visual arts, screen and digital, performance, sound, literature and music, Fellows share valuable insight to deepen understanding of the Antarctic region with audiences.

Limitations

- Applicants must be Australian citizens
- Applications are accepted from practising artists and creative professionals
- Applications can be made by individuals or groups
- Travel to Antarctica must be essential to the project
- Projects must identify with and respond to Antarctica
- Projects must address 2 (two) or more Fellowship objectives.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05741/info
Phone: 03 6232 3512

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Australian International Documentary Conference (AIDC) - Travel Support

Funding Provider
ScreenWest

Location
WA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19749

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
- Individual

Funding
$2,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **12 Jan 2026**

Purpose

Provides WA screen practitioners in the factual sector with funding support to attend the 2024 Australian International Documentary Conference (AIDC).

Overview

Screenwest has opened a competitive travel round to support WA screen practitioners attending the Australian International Documentary Conference (AIDC), taking place in the Melbourne from 2 - 5 March 2026.

A set amount of $2,000 to assist with flights, accommodation and registration will be provided and as such, a budget is not required as part of the application.

Only a limited number of practitioners will be supported.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19749/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19749/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19749/apply
Email: funding@screenwest.com.au **Phone:** +61 8 6169 2100

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Australian Screen Production Incentive: Location Offset rebate

Funding Providers
Office for the Arts
Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communications, Sport and the Arts

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Rebate U00203

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Business

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Australian Screen Production Incentive provides tax incentives for film, television and other screen production in Australia.

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Overview

Location Offset—a 30 per cent rebate for the production of large-budget film and television projects shot in Australia, starting principal photography on or after 1 July 2023.

In order to access the Location Offset, an applicant must obtain a certificate from the Minister for the Arts (the Minister).

Provisional certificate

You may apply for a provisional certificate for a production before it commences or during production. A provisional certificate provides an indication of whether the production is likely to be eligible for the Location Offset, based on the information provided at that stage.

Final certificate

In order to claim the Location Offset as a tax rebate, you must be issued with a certificate by the Minister. A certificate will be issued if the production meets the requirements set out in Division 376 of the ITAA97.

Limitations

To be eligible for the Location Offset, a company must:

- have an Australian Business Number (ABN), and
- be an Australian resident company or a foreign resident company that is operating through a permanent establishment in Australia.

This applies when:

- QAPE is incurred
- the PDV Offset application is lodged and being assessed
- the company lodges its income tax return, and
- the Location Offset is due to be credited.

Eligible formats

Formats for the Location Offset are:

- feature films or films of a like nature (e.g. telemovies) (unless a documentary)
- mini-series of television drama
- television series (including a documentary)—see below.

Distribution of eligible formats can include direct-to-video, direct-to-DVD, television broadcast or online distribution.

The following formats are ineligible for the Location Offset:

- short films
- documentary features (documentary television series are eligible, see below)
- advertising programs or commercials
- discussion, quiz, game, panel or variety programs, or a program of a like nature
- a film of a public event
- training films
- computer games (defined by the Classification (Publications, Films and Computer Games) Act 1995 (Classification Act)—see below).Section 5A of the Classification Act defines a computer game as a:
- computer program and any associated data capable of generating a display on a computer monitor, television screen, liquid crystal display or similar medium that allows the playing of an interactive game, or
- computer program, data associated with a computer program or a computer program and any associated data that is:
    - capable of generating new elements or additional levels into a game (the original game) that is a computer game under subsection 5A(1) of the Classification Act and
    - contained in a device separate from that containing the original game.

Note regarding PDV offsets

The Location, PDV and Producer Offsets are mutually exclusive. Therefore, a production company is not eligible to claim the Location Offset if, in respect of the production:

- it has received a final certificate for the PDV Offset
- it has received a final certificate for the Producer Offset
- the applicant, or anyone else has claimed a deduction for the production under Division 10B of Part III the ITAA36
- it has been granted a final certificate at any time under Division 10BA of Part III of the ITAA36.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00203/info

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Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00203/guidelines

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00203/apply

Email: filmenquiries@arts.gov.au **Phone:** 02 6136 8012

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Australian Screen Production Incentive: PDV rebate

Funding Provider
Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communications, Sport and the Arts

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Rebate U00202

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Business

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Australian Screen Production Incentive supports screen production through generous tax incentives.

Overview

Office for the Arts manage two tax rebates that support the Australian screen industry, the:

1. Location Offset—a 30 per cent rebate for the production of large-budget film and television projects shot in Australia, starting principal photography on or after 1 July 2023.
2. **Post, Digital and Visual Effects (PDV) Offset**—a 30 per cent rebate for work on post, digital and visual effects production in Australia, regardless of where a project is filmed.

The PDV Offset is a 30 per cent rebate that supports work on post-production, digital and visual effects production in Australia, regardless of where a project is shot. It aims to help the Australian visual effects, post-production and animation sector develop its reputation as one of the best in the world.

You can apply for the PDV Offset once you are no longer incurring QAPE related to PDV activities.

Limitations

Eligibility

To be eligible for the PDV Offset a company must:

- have an Australian Business Number (ABN), and
- be an Australian resident company or a foreign resident company that is operating through a permanent establishment in Australia.

This applies when:

- QAPE is incurred
- the company lodges its income tax return, and
- the PDV Offset is due to be credited.

Eligible formats

Eligible formats for the PDV Offset are:

- feature films or films of a like nature (e.g. telemovies) (unless a documentary)
- mini-series of television drama
- television series (including a documentary)—see below. Distribution of eligible formats can include direct-to-video, direct-to-DVD, television broadcast or online distribution.

The following formats are ineligible for the PDV Offset:

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- short films
- documentary features (documentary television series are eligible, see below)
- advertising programs or commercials
- discussion, quiz, game, panel or variety programs, or a program of a like nature
- a film of a public event
- training films
- computer games (defined by the Classification (Publications, Films and Computer Games) Act 1995 (Classification Act)—see below)

Exclusion of access to other incentives

The PDV, Location and Producer Offsets are mutually exclusive. Therefore, a production company is not eligible to claim the PDV Offset if, in respect of the film:

- it has received a final certificate for the Location Offset
- it has received a final certificate for the Producer Offset
- the applicant, or anyone else, has claimed a deduction for the project under Division 10B of the ITAA36
- it has been granted a final certificate at any time under Division 10BA of the ITAA36.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00202/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00202/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00202/apply
Email: filmenquiries@arts.gov.au **Phone:** 02 627 11543

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Bayside Painting Prize

Funding Provider
Bayside City Council (Vic)

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Award A00826

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
Amount: $1,000 to $25,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **20 Feb 2026 5pm**

Purpose

A celebration of contemporary Australian painting, the prize is an important opportunity for Bayside City Council to add exceptional works of art with a local connection to its collection and to promote art and artists as a valuable part of the Australian community.

Overview

The Bayside Painting Prize is Melbourne's premier annual painting prize. The finalist exhibition brings together a broad range of artists from across Australia, both established and lesser known, whose varied approaches to the painted medium conveys the breadth and diversity of painting in Australia today.

First established in 2015 as the Bayside Acquisitive Art Prize, the prize was relaunched in 2024 as the Bayside Painting Prize with an increase in prize money for the Major Prize to $25,000, making it one of the most generous non-acquisitive painting prizes in the country.

The $10,000 acquisitive Beckett Local Prize, named in honour of remarkable local modernist artist Clarice Beckett, is open to artists who demonstrate a connection to the municipality of Bayside or the work entered is of local subject matter. There is also a $1,000 People's Choice Prize, announced at the conclusion of the exhibition.

Entry fee is $30 (including GST) per artwork and is non-refundable. Any application not accompanied by the appropriate entry fee will be ineligible.

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Limitations

The Bayside Painting Prize is open to citizens or permanent residents (at least 12 months) of Australia over 18 years of age. Works submitted must be the original work of the artist and completed in the 12 months prior to the closing date.

See funders website for further Terms & Conditions of Entry.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/A00826/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/A00826/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/A00826/apply
Email: gallery@bayside.vic.gov.au **Phone:** 03 9261 7111

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City of Design Project Fund (up to $5,000)

Funding Provider
Arts ACT

Location
ACT

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19297

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Business
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
$5,000
Total Pool: $100,000 (approx)

Rounds
Closes **1 Apr 2027**

Purpose

Funding is available for projects by artists, designers, arts and cultural organisations and creative businesses based in Canberra.

Overview

The aims of the Fund are to:

- position Canberra as a globally recognised hub for design excellence and innovation, showcasing its leadership in creative and sustainable urban development
- foster a vibrant, inclusive, and culturally rich design culture that reflects Canberra's unique design heritage, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander perspectives, and contemporary identity
- highlight and elevate the work of Canberra's leading designers and artists, promoting their contributions locally, nationally, and internationally
- support activities that celebrate the diversity of Canberra's communities, ensuring inclusive, accessible, and meaningful engagement with design across all audiences
- strengthen Canberra's international design profile and readiness for UNESCO Creative Cities Network membership, through strategic partnerships, knowledge exchange, and legacy-building initiatives.

This funding stream is for smaller projects that contribute to the Festival program or can strongly demonstrate a contribution to Canberra as a global city of design.

Applications are now open and close 1 April 2027 with outcomes notified within 6 weeks of the application submission date.

Limitations

The Fund is open to artists, designers, innovators, arts and cultural organisations and creative business based in Canberra.

Groups or unincorporated organisations must nominate one person to take legal and financial responsibility for any funding or be auspiced by an incorporated organisation.

Arts organisations that are already receiving ACT Government Arts Organisation Investment funding are eligible to apply for a new activity that will be presented as part of the 2026 Craft + Design Canberra Festival.

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Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
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Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19297/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19297/apply
Email: artsACT@act.gov.au **Phone:** 02 6207 2384

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Community Grant

Funding Provider
CreateSA

Location
SA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G17308

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- State Govt
- Business
- Local Govt
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
$40,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **2 Feb 2026 5pm**

Last Round
Closed **1 Jul 2025**

Purpose

This grant supports collaboration between professional artists and communities to achieve inclusive artistic, cultural and social outcomes.

Overview

Project activity must be developed in consultation with the target community and designed to meet identified community needs, aspirations or intentions. Project proposals must incorporate and reference community and cultural development methodologies; engagement and creative process is the primary focus. A public outcome is not essential; the outcome may be building capacity within a community to engage further with arts and culture.

A ‘community’ may be defined by geographic location, cultural background, religious belief, gender, disability or any other common factor or shared experience.

Applications that explore social and cultural issues with regional South Australian communities, people with disability, young people, culturally-diverse communities, emerging communities, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and remote communities are encouraged.

Limitations

Who can apply;

- independent arts and cultural organisations and groups
- funded organisations: small-to-medium organisations, major organisations.

Who is ineligible;

- individuals
- Statutory Authorities
- organisations funded through the National Performing Arts Partnership Framework (NPAPF) formerly known as Major Performing Arts (MPA) Companies
- local government
- non-arts and cultural organisations.

Please note: Statutory Authorities, local government and non-arts and cultural organisations are encouraged to partner with eligible applicants. Partner organisations are required to make a cash or in-kind contribution to the funded activity.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G17308/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G17308/guidelines

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Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G17308/apply
Email: CreateSAGrants@sa.gov.au

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Contemporary Music Festival Viability Fund

Funding Provider
Create NSW

Location
NSW

Funding Type
Cash Grant G17506

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Business
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
$500,000

Rounds
Closes **30 Apr 2026**

Purpose

This program supports existing large-scale contemporary music festivals presented in NSW with a track record of delivering significant outcomes for contemporary music.

Overview

This program is designed to grow and support the live music ecosystem in NSW through investment in the operations of established music festivals, alleviating short-term financial challenges and improve business and job retention during the cost-of-living crisis.

Funding will be available for government-related and operational costs for contemporary music festivals with event capacity of at least 15,000 people and are currently experiencing financial challenges.

Applications will be accepted on an as needs basis while the funding program is open. The program will close when the budget is exhausted, or 30 April 2026, whichever comes first.

Successful applicants will receive two milestone payments:

- Payment One – 50% of approved funds within 30 days of the execution of the funding agreement and meeting any preconditions to payment
- Payment Two – upon completion of the milestones set out in the funding agreement and successful delivery of the festival, the lesser of:
    - the amount required to reach break-even, or
    - the remaining 50% of the grant amount.
- If festival ticket sales are higher than break even, the remaining funding will not be paid.

Limitations

Who can apply?

A music festival that:

- is presented in NSW
- programs new and original contemporary music
- has approved event capacity of 15,000 and above per day
- has evidence of previously delivering festivals over 15,000 capacity
- has occurred in NSW at least five times over last ten years
- is to be held within 3 months of application submission
- is Australian owned or has part international ownership
- can demonstrate/legally declare solvency
- does not have NSW Government Hallmark status.

For the purpose of this program:

- a music festival is defined as an advertised event that calls itself a festival, consists of at least five performances, is marketed under a single banner with a collective running time of at least five hours, and can be single or consecutive multiple days

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- a contemporary music festival refers to a festival that is predominantly programming artists and acts performing new and original music
- artforms not supported through this program are:
    - experimental music and sound art
    - contemporary classical, opera, choral and ensembles.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G17506/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G17506/guidelines

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G17506/apply
Contact: Tino Mjawe
Email: info@sound.nsw.gov.au **Phone:** (02) 9566 8804

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Create Grants

Funding Provider
Copyright Agency Limited (CAL)

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19810

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
Amount: Undisclosed to $20,000
Total Pool: $100,000

Rounds
Closes **9 Mar 2026 1pm AEDT**

Purpose

The Copyright Agency's Cultural Fund offers grants to Australian creative writers and visual artists to create new work.

Overview

Create Grants provide a living allowance for writers and visual artists at key stages of their career.

Creative writers can apply to write their second book in the following literary genres: fiction, poetry, children's literature, young adult literature, picture book illustration, graphic novels, playwriting, literary non-fiction and writing for performance (plays only).

Visual artists with no more than three solo exhibitions can apply to create a new work for exhibition.

Amount of grant: $20,000 - Up to five grants will be awarded in 2026.

Projects should start after 1 August 2026.

Limitations

Who can apply?

- Applicants must be Australian citizens or permanent residents
- Applicants must have acquitted any overdue Cultural Fund grants

Creative Writers:

- Authors must have professionally published/performed by the application closing date **ONLY ONE full-length work** of their own creative writing (including professionally presented plays) by an Australian-based publisher/theatre company
- Authors must have secured either a publishing contract for the work or a letter of interest or intent to publish/present from an Australian-based publisher or theatre company. This must be submitted with the application.

Visual artists:

- Visual artists must have exhibited by the application closing date **ONLY THREE solo exhibitions** in public or commercial galleries (this should not include group shows). These exhibitions should be independently and professionally curated.

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- Solo exhibitions as part of an Artist Run Initiative (ARI) will count towards your eligibility if the exhibition has been independently and professionally curated
- If applicants are working in collaboration, all applicants must meet the eligibility requirements
- Visual artists must have confirmed interest from an Australian public gallery or institution to exhibit the work. Confirmation of this must be submitted with the application.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19810/info
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19810/apply
Email: culturalfund@copyright.com.au

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Crisis Relief Grants

Funding Provider
Support Act

Location
Aus

Funding Type
In-kind Contribution G10125

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Crisis Relief Grants provide Financial support for those working in all genres of music.

Overview

Crisis Relief Grants and support are available to musicians, managers, crew and music workers across all genres experiencing financial hardship as the result of illness, injury, mental health, older age or another current crisis that is impacting their ability to work in music.

What is considered a crisis to meet the criteria for a grant?

Current acute or short term hardship/crisis related to a serious illness, injury, mental health episode, older age, or other crisis that is impacting ability to work in the music industry, where other community, insurance or government assistance is not available.

The crisis must be above and beyond the pain and suffering of everyday life and ordinary human experience.

The grant is aimed at returning the applicant to music work through payment of some essential bills related to getting them through that crisis.

What expenses can a grant cover?
Essential household and personal expenses related to the crisis – in the first instance medical expenses related to the crisis and getting the applicant back to work, such as therapy, treatment and medical bills. Other expenses related to inability to work for a lengthy period may be considered e.g. rent and bills associated with loss of music income while recovering from the crisis.

Limitations

Who can apply?

To be eligible for help, you must meet the following criteria:

- Be an Australian citizen, permanent resident or have a valid working visa
- Show that you have been working professionally/in paid work in the **Australian** music industry for a minimum of 5 years
- Provide names and details of 2 professional music referees who can verify your work in the music industry
- Have household expenses which are greater than your household income (and where there are financial impacts due to the crisis)

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- Be experiencing a current crisis that is preventing you from working in the industry, which may include serious ill-health, injury or mental health issues (above and beyond the suffering of everyday experiences)

There is no deadline to apply, however we strongly encourage those experiencing hardship to submit your application as soon as possible. Our social workers will then contact you to discuss your application.

Things to know:

- Our grants are not competitive. They are available to everyone who meets our criteria
- You can be receiving Federal Government benefits (including JobSeeker, Austudy, Disability Support, Disaster Relief) and still meet our criteria
- You can apply even if you are a registered small business. We won't fund your business, but we will provide support for household expenses
- We may contact your referees if we need to verify that you work professionally in music. We will not disclose any information about your application
- If you applied for and received a grant over 12 months ago and are currently in crisis, you are welcome to apply again now. Please note that we can only provide one grant per year for a maximum of two consecutive years
- We do not provide grants for chronic conditions (e.g. a new application would need to show a new or different crisis situation)
- Please don't be embarrassed to apply for crisis relief. If you need support, we are here to help

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G10125/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G10125/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G10125/apply
Website: http://supportact.org.au/contact-us/ **Email:** support@supportact.org.au **Phone:** 1300 731 303

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Cultural Tourism Fund

Funding Provider
Arts Queensland

Location
QLD

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19714

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Business

Funding
$80,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **23 Feb 2026 2pm**

Purpose

The Cultural Tourism Fund (The Fund) provides grants to support the development and presentation of new programming initiatives within Queensland festivals and events that attract audiences, drive regional growth and enhance the state's reputation as a cultural destination.

Overview

The Fund supports applications from Queensland-based organisations that deliver Queensland arts festivals or events across a range of artforms including visual arts, craft and design; performing arts; classical and contemporary music; writing; and multi-arts.

Applications can be made by Queensland organisations or groups (including councils) who present established arts festivals or events that have a track record of maintaining or growing attendance year on year.

Available funding:

- **New Programming stream**: up to $160,000 over two years (max. $80,000 per annum); or
- **New Markets stream**: up to $40,000 over two years (max. $20,000 per annum).

Additional funding of up to $10,000 is available to support costs associated with increasing access for artists and/or audiences with disability (New Programming stream only).

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Applicants can apply to both streams.

Limitations

To be eligible for this grant you must:

- Be based in Queensland delivering festivals and events in Queensland.
- Be requesting funding for activity occurring between 13 July 2026 and 31 December 2028.
- Have received and successfully acquitted funding from, or be currently supported by, Tourism and Events Queensland (TEQ) Event Investment Programs.
- Have an active Australian Business Number (ABN) in same name used in the application.
- Have a bank account in the same name used in the application.
- Have completed any Arts Queensland progress or outcome reporting that is due.
- NOT owe Arts Queensland any money.
- Have spoken to Arts Queensland about your application before submitting.
- Submit no more than one application per stream to this funding round.
- Submit all compulsory support material.
- Have at least three years of activity and attendance figures for the festival/event and be able to provide three years of economic impact reports.
- Have the support and endorsement of the Local Government Authority (LGA) and Regional Tourism Organisation (RTO) where the festival/event takes place.
- Submit your application through SmartyGrants by the closing date and time.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19714/info

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19714/apply
Email: investment@arts.qld.gov.au **Phone:** 07 3034 4016

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Darling Travel Grants

Funding Provider
The Gordon Darling Foundation

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19458

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
Not-for-Profit
DGR Required

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **16 Jan 2026 5pm (AEDT)**

Purpose

The Gordon Darling Foundation is a perpetual public charitable trust, established in 1991 to "support Australia-wide, activities of importance in the Visual Arts".

Overview

The aim of these grants, offered once a year, is to provide visual arts professionals employed by Australian public institutions with the opportunity to undertake international travel. Travel must be for a specific purpose and deliver benefits for both the individual and the institution. Applicants should have written support from their Director or Board Chair to undertake the travel.

Applications for the 2026 Darling Travel Grants / International open on Monday 10 November 2025 - please email gdarling@bigpond.net.au after this date for an application form. Applications must be submitted by email by 5pm (AEDT) on Friday 16 January 2026. Applicants will be advised of outcomes by Friday 20 March 2026.

Limitations

Who can apply?

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Visual arts professionals in Australian public galleries and museums. Applicant organisations must have Deductible Gift Recipient (DGR) status.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Email
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19458/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19458/guidelines
Email: gdarling@bigpond.net.au **Phone:** 03 9820 3168

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Development Program

Funding Provider
Screen NSW

Location
NSW

Funding Type
Cash Grant G13559

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Business

Funding
$50,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Screen NSW Development funding supports writers and producers to develop fiction or unscripted (documentary) and online projects with distinctive ideas and ambitious stories.

Overview

The objectives of the program are to:

- Support the nurturing of new ideas and talent in NSW
- Ensure Key Creatives are given access to opportunities that benefit their careers and reinvest back into the NSW screen industry
- Support connections that will shape the future of our creative landscape and strengthen our position in the global market.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G13559/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G13559/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G13559/apply
Email: screeninvestment@create.nsw.gov.au

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Digital Games Production Fund

Funding Provider
ScreenWest

Location
WA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19740

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Business

Funding
$200,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **2 Mar 2026 5pm AWST**

Purpose

The fund provides grants to Western Australian companies and key creatives to develop and release high-quality, diverse and engaging digital games.

Overview

Pre-Production, Production and Post-Production phases of game development for PC, consoles, mobile, virtual reality (VR), augmented reality (AR) or extended reality (XR) can be supported.

The purpose of this fund is to help Western Australian studios and developers bring their ideas and prototypes to a level that will gain interest from other investors and partners, have successful releases and achieve high player retention post launch.

What you can receive funding for:

- For Pre-production
    - Development of a playable prototype of a game showing core game play mechanics and artistic direction.
    - Improvements to existing game design documentation, marketing and release plans to increase marketability and pitch strength when approaching publishers.
- For Production
    - Development work necessary to a game's public release.
    - Completing game development on a project that is in early access or the equivalent to bring it to a complete release.
    - Audience engagement and marketing strategies appropriate to pre-release of the game.
- For Post-Production and Live Ops
    - Ongoing content development and delivery post game release.
    - Creation of additional post release content such as downloadable content. Localisation or porting costs.
    - Additional marketing or post-release audience engagement including strategy planning, press kits, user acquisition, social media, and community management.

Funding Available:

- Preproduction: Up to 60% of the pre-production phase total budget (capped at $25,000 per application).
- Production: Up to 70% of the production phase total budget (capped at $100,000 per application).
- Post-Production: Up to 60% of total budget for the piece of work (capped at $25,000 per application).

To note: The total funding over the life of a game is capped at $150,000. An applicant can access no more than $200,000 per financial year through these guidelines. Screenwest funds are contributed to support Western Australian activity. Excluding marketing, all Screenwest funding must be spent in Western Australia (100% Qualifying Western Australian Spend)

Limitations

The applicant / company must:

- Be a Western Australian Resident with a registered Australian Business Number (ABN) or a Western Australian Resident Company, as defined in the Screenwest Terms of Trade.
- Be able to demonstrate the ability and commitment required to deliver and commercialise the game. Examples of past games or relevant credits can be provided by applicants to assist with the assessment of their application.

The game must:

- Satisfy the Screenwest Terms of Trade definition of a Digital Game.
- Be for any platform, including, but not limited to PC, Mobile, Console, Tablet, VR, XR or multi-platform games.

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Games with co-financing from market, commercial partners or other funding agencies are eligible to apply. Written evidence confirming the finance must be provided at the time of application.

Screenwest encourages applications from First Nations Australians and people from historically under-represented groups.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19740/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19740/guidelines

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19740/apply
Contact: Anthony Sweet - Digital Games Manager
Email: anthony.sweet@screenwest.com.au **Phone:** +61 8 6169 2130

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Documentary Producer Program

Funding Provider
Screen Australia

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G18613

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **29 Jan 2026**

Last Round
Closed **25 Sep 2025**

Purpose

The Producer program aims to provide producers with the flexibility to drive projects both creatively and commercially.

Overview

The aims of the documentary production funding programs are to support:

- Australian documentary content for production and release for Direct-to-Audience, Television and Feature Film platforms;
- distinctive storytelling for a range of budgets and audiences across local and global platforms; and
- content makers at different career stages who reflect the breadth of Australia in service of cultural, creative and economic benefits.

There are three (3) different documentary production funding programs that applicants can apply for. They will each have four (4) application rounds per financial year.

Direct-to-audience:
- Direct-to-Audience projects are those that have not been commissioned by any third party and for which the first and primary release window is Direct-to-Audience e.g. YouTube, Facebook, Virtual Reality (VR), Extended Reality (XR) or Augmented Reality (AR) platforms.
- The content creators are in control of self-distributing the work and taking it to audience.
- The Documentary Direct-to-Audience Program replaces the Online Production Program.

Platform first:
- The Platform First Program supports content makers to produce features , series or single documentaries that have a confirmed Commissioning Platform i.e. market attachment for Free-To-Air (FTA) television broadcast and streaming platforms across Broadcast Video on Demand (BVOD), Subscription Video on Demand (SVOD) and Advertising Video on Demand (AVOD).
- The program supports projects that are at least a commercial half-hour in duration, with a minimum budget of $250,000 per hour.
- All finance must be confirmed at the time of application.
- Screen Australia is generally the last contributor to the Finance Plan.
- Minimum licence fees apply.
- The Platform First Program replaces the Documentary Commissioned Program.

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Producer first

- The Producer First Program supports content makers to produce features, series and single documentaries for theatrical, free-to-air television broadcast (FTA), streaming platforms across Broadcast Video on Demand (BVOD), Subscription Video on Demand (SVOD) and Advertising Video on Demand (AVOD).
- For projects in partnership with cultural institution's i.e.: museums, galleries and with a demonstrated pathway to audiences, applications will be considered on a case-by-case basis.
- The Producer First Program provides content makers the flexibility to drive projects creatively and commercially. Screen Australia's funding acts as the foundation for securing deals and partnerships, in the context of today's evolving media and distribution landscape as well as the commercial realities of increasingly fragmented sources of finance.
- Minimum licence fees apply - Marketplace contributors need to be secured prior to contract execution but not at the time of applying for Screen Australia funding.
- The Producer First Program replaces the Documentary Producer Program.

Funding Available: The amount of funding provided will depend on the scale of your project, the first and primary platform and the amount of additional finance required or secured from other sources.

Limitations

Applicant Eligibility:

These funding programs are open to companies and in certain circumstances, individuals.

Note: that for projects applying for Direct-to-Audience Production funding, Screen Australia will accept applications from individuals (sole traders) that are an Australian citizen or permanent resident. However, if successful, the applicant will need to incorporate a company to make the project before contracting with Screen Australia. All other eligibility criteria listed above apply for these projects.

To be eligible:

- An applicant company must be an incorporated company carrying on business in Australia, with its central management and control in Australia;
- An individual applicant must be an Australian citizen or Australian permanent resident (holding a permanent visa) (Direct-to-Audience applications only - see above).

Applicants must also:

- have an Australian Business Number (ABN);
- be registered for the purposes of GST if required by law;
- if applicable, be independent of the nominated local Commissioning Platform for the first release of a program in Australia; and
- demonstrate and/or have relevant experience through comparable work that shows capability to produce work for the platform for which they are applying.

The following types of entities are **not eligible** to apply to these production funding programs:

- Commonwealth, state, territory or local government agencies or bodies
- any organisations that are otherwise excluded pursuant to the Information for Applicants.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G18613/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G18613/guidelines

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G18613/apply
Email: documentary@screenaustralia.gov.au **Phone:** 1800 507 901

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Documentary Production Program

Funding Provider
Screen Australia

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G18149

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$500,000

Rounds
Closes **29 Jan 2026**
Closes **9 Apr 2026**

Last Round
Closed **25 Sep 2025**

Overview

The aims of the documentary production funding programs are to support:

- Australian documentary content for production and release for Direct-to-Audience, Television and Feature Film platforms;
- distinctive storytelling for a range of budgets and audiences across local and global platforms; and
- content makers at different career stages who reflect the breadth of Australia in service of cultural, creative and economic benefits.

There are three (3) different documentary production funding programs that applicants can apply for. They will each have four (4) application rounds per financial year.

- Direct to audience
- Platform first
- Producer first

The amount of funding provided will depend on the scale of your project, the first and primary platform and the amount of additional finance required or secured from other sources.

Round deadlines:

- 25 September 2025 @ 5pm AEST
- 29 January 2026 @ 5pm AEDT
- 9 April 2025 @ 5pm AEST

Limitations

- Applicants and projects must meet Screen Australia's Terms of Trade, any general eligibility or other requirements listed on the agency's website (see Information for Applicants and Information for Recipients), as well as the specific eligibility criteria set out in these guidelines.
- Specific requirements apply to projects which involve First Nations participation or content.
- Specific requirements may apply to projects which involve community participation or content with the following communities: d/Deaf, disabled, culturally and linguistically diverse, LGBTQIA+, or those from other under-represented groups.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G18149/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G18149/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G18149/apply
Email: documentary@screenaustralia.gov.au

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Emergency Development Fund

Funding Provider
ScreenWest

Location
WA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G07852

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Business

Funding
$25,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Emergency Development Investment funding is designed to support Western Australian companies or individuals that have entered into the active development of a project with market attachment and have a bona fide time critical deadline.

Overview

Emergency Development Investment is designed to support Western Australian companies or individuals in exceptional circumstances, that are in active and advanced stages of development of a project with market attachment that have a bona fide time critical deadline (e.g. to obtain time-critical footage or interviews, screen tests of key cast, emergency script polishing or a preliminary trailer).

It should be for a unique and unrepeatable activity that forms a critical element of the story, that would otherwise render the project unrealisable.

Documented requests for this project work from the broadcaster, distributor or funder will normally be required in assessing an application for emergency funding.

What can I apply for?

- Up to $25,000 per application.
- Funding is not automatic, even if an applicant can demonstrate they meet all the assessment criteria.
- Screenwest may approve funding less than the requested amount, as guided by the recommendations made during the assessment process and the total demand on available funds.

Limitations

Eligibility

An application must first meet the following eligibility criteria in order to be competitively assessed for funding through this program. The applicant must:

- Meet the general eligibility requirements set out in the Screenwest Terms of Trade.
- Be a Western Australian resident or company. Non-Western Australian productions will only be considered where the Production Company brings demonstrated strong economic and/or ongoing creative opportunities to the State.
- Hold the underlying rights at the time of application. Screenwest Development Investment funding cannot be used to purchase options or rights to a project.

Project eligibility

The project must:

- Have a strong letter of commitment from a broadcaster or distributor in the form of an official letter or email, indicating the need for emergency funding. Exceptions will depend on the track record of the production team and the market strength of the project.
- Require immediate development that cannot be funded through other Screenwest funds due to the exceptional time-critical needs of this stage of development.
- Not have previously received emergency development - projects will generally only receive one stage of Emergency Development Investment funding.
- Have confirmed market attachment.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G07852/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G07852/guidelines

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Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G07852/apply
Contact: Paul Williams
Email: paul.williams@screenwest.com.au **Phone:** 08 6169 2116

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Emergency Grant

Funding Provider
Actors Benevolent Fund of NSW

Location
NSW

Funding Type
In-kind Contribution U00067

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$1,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The ABF offers support to entertainment professionals both young and old who, through illness, accident, disability or in times of financial hardship or difficulties, require financial or other forms of assistance.

Overview

The Fund may, under circumstances of immediate need, approve a grant of up to $1,000.00 to assist with short term expenses such as payment of outstanding bills, rent assistance or general living costs. Applicants may apply for a combination of food vouchers and cash, capped at a total value of $1,000.00.

It is understood that the recipient would be unable to meet these costs without this assistance.

Limitations

Eligibility

- You are a current resident of NSW.
- You have worked professionally in the entertainment profession for a minimum of 3 years.
- You have demonstrated that you are unable to meet this expense.
- You provide proof of expenses, ie. Bills, quotes, etc.

Please note: You **must** be a professional member of the performing arts industry to apply.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online, Email
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00067/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00067/apply
Email: info@actorsbenevolentfund.org.au

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Emerging Artists Grants Program

Funding Provider
The Ian Potter Cultural Trust

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19455

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$15,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **20 Jan 2026 5PM AEDT**

Purpose

The Cultural Trust is committed to encouraging excellence and supporting a vibrant, world-class arts scene in Australia.

Overview

The Emerging Artist Grants program offers grants of up to $15,000 to assist talented emerging and early-career artists in taking up professional development opportunities, usually overseas.

Professional development opportunities allow emerging artists to gain experience, develop networks and learn skills from the world's best. We believe these experiences are invaluable for individual artists and the ongoing development of Australia's vibrant arts sector.

The Trust's Emerging Artist Grants program funds nationally and supports individual artists practising across the spectrum of the arts, from visual arts to community radio, design to literature, conservation of cultural heritage to circus arts.

The Trust primarily supports structured professional development and networking opportunities such as residencies, internships, mentorships, workshops, and conferences.

Limitations

Who can apply?

- Be a minimum of 18 years old by the project start date.
- Be an Australian citizen or Permanent Resident of Australia.
- Make a reasonable personal financial contribution to their project.
- Demonstrate exceptional talent, initiative, and passion for their work.
- Classify as an emerging or early-career artist*.

*As a general guide, the Trust considers emerging and early-career artists to be within 10 years of attaining a formal qualification (such as an undergraduate degree or equivalent) in their area of practice.

This does not mean applicants need to have attained formal qualifications in their area of practice to be considered for a grant. Where an applicant does not have formal training, the beginning of their practice is commonly marked by a significant recognition of the artist's work and the artist's vocational commitment to ongoing practice.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19455/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19455/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19455/apply
Email: culturaltrust@ianpotter.org.au

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Emerging Gamemakers Fund

Funding Provider
Screen Australia

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19324

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Business

Funding
$30,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **5 Mar 2026**

Purpose

The fund is aimed at emerging creators, diverse voices, and/or established creators who are interested in creative and artistic experimentation.

Overview

It can fund the creation of a prototype or the completion of a micro-scale game. The fund is aimed at emerging creators, diverse voices, and/or established creators who are interested in creative and artistic experimentation. The fund will run as a series of rounds from financial year 2023/24 until financial year 2026/27.

The Emerging Gamemakers Fund provides grants of up to $30,000 to support the development of original, new projects with budgets of up to $500,000 at the time of applying, made by Australian independent gamemakers.

Limitations

Eligibility

This program is open to individuals and companies. To be eligible:

- an individual applicant must be an Australian citizen or Australian resident, being a person who is lawfully domiciled in Australia, and who has actually been in Australia, continuously or intermittently, for more than one half of the year immediately preceding the application.
- an applicant company must be an incorporated company carrying on business in Australia, with its central management and control in Australia.

See the Terms of Trade document for further information.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19324/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19324/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19324/apply
Email: games@screenaustralia.gov.au **Phone:** 1800 507 901

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Equity & Access Fund

Funding Provider
ScreenWest

Location
WA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G14549

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Business
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
$10,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Equity & Access Fund is a special fund designed to foster equity across the Western Australian screen sector, by assisting the facilitation of greater access, equity and inclusion.

Overview

The Fund will support the following types of activities:

- Cultural safety training.
- Accessibility supports and accommodations to enable greater access to a professional film set and/or professional screen sector activities.
- Professional Attachment opportunities.

Funding up to $10,000 may be available with applications accepted throughout the year.

Limitations

Eligibility

The Applicant / Company must:

- Meet the general eligibility requirements in the Screenwest Terms of Trade.
- Be 18 years of age or older.
- Be a Western Australian Resident with a registered Australian Business Number (ABN) or a Western Australian Resident Company, as defined in the Screenwest Terms of Trade.

See also minimum eligibility requirements in the Screenwest Terms of Trade here

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G14549/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G14549/guidelines

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G14549/apply
Website: funding@screenwest.com.au **Phone:** 08 6169 2100

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Financial Assistance Grant

Funding Provider
Actors Benevolent Fund of NSW

Location
NSW

Funding Type
Cash Grant G11986

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$3,500
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Fund, under certain circumstances, and at the discretion of the committee, will provide grants up to $3,500.00 to assist with urgent and pressing medical and living expenses resulting from injury, illness, accident or disability.

Overview

This one-off grant can be used to offset the costs associated with paying of bills associated with health or dental issues, to assist with the purchase of essential items or urgent repairs to goods or dwellings, mobility issues, or specific items that are needed in order to continue in your employment. Funds may cover surgery, ongoing medical treatment such as chemotherapy, mental health therapy or the purchase of home medical equipment. Wherever possible, funds will be paid directly to medical or service providers.

It is understood that the recipient would suffer significant financial hardship without this grant.

An acquittal of the funds is required and should be submitted to ABF within 6 months of the grant being given. This acquittal must outline how the grant was used and include attachments of any supporting documents.

Limitations

Eligibility

- You are a current resident of NSW.
- You have worked professionally in the entertainment profession for a minimum of 3 years.
- You have demonstrated significant financial need.
- You provide proof of the cost of treatment or expense, eg an invoice from a health provider or quote for equipment.
- You supply a letter of support from a medical provider outlining the importance and benefit of the treatment.

Please note: You **must** be a professional member of the performing arts industry to apply.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online, Email
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G11986/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G11986/apply
Email: info@actorsbenevolentfund.org.au **Phone:** 02 9333 0915

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First Nations Arts: d/Deaf and/or Disabilities Project Fund

Funding Provider
Creative Australia

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19615

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
- TAFE
- Not-for-Profit
- University
- Individual
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
Amount: $5,000 to $10,000

Rounds
Opens **26 Feb 2026** Closes **3 Apr 2026**

Purpose

Grants to support projects and professional development opportunities across all art forms, nationally and internationally, from $5,000 to $10,000.

Overview

This initiative is part of Creative Australia's First Nations First industry development programs in response to extensive community consultation on priorities and needs of the sector in response to Pillar 1, First Nations First - *Revive*, the Australian Government's shared vision for Australia: *a place for every story and a story for every place*. These new initiatives aim to elevate existing programs and deliver new funding that build on a 50-year legacy of First Nations leadership and investment at Creative Australia.

First Nations Arts: d/Deaf and/or Disabilities Project Fund supports projects and professional development opportunities across all art forms, nationally and internationally. It is open to:

- Australian First Nations d/Deaf artists and arts workers
- Australian First Nations artists and arts workers with disability
- Australian First Nations d/Deaf artists and arts workers groups
- Australian First Nations artists and arts workers with disability groups
- Australian First Nations organisations.

Limitations

Eligibility

This opportunity is open to Australian First Nations individuals, groups and organisations.

Individuals must:

- identify as Australian First Nations
- identify as d/Deaf and/or with disability
- be 18+ years
- be based in Australia.

Organisations must:

- identify as Australian First Nations organisations:
    - at least 51% First Nations on the board
    - be known as a First Nations organisation that provides programs for First Nations community
- Demonstratable history of working and supporting Australian artists and/or arts workers who identify as:
    - First Nations
    - Deaf and/or with disability
- Be based in Australia.

Applications must have:

- eligible funding amount requested ($5,000 - $10,000)
- eligible project's start date is on or after 1 July 2025 and end date must be completed within 2 years of your starting date.

Please note: You can only submit one application to this grant initiative.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19615/info

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Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19615/apply
Contact: Tammy Close
Email: tammy.close@creative.gov.au **Phone:** (02) 9215 9145

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First Nations Low Budget Television Fund

Funding Provider
ScreenWest

Location
WA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G07846

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Business

Funding
$25,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Provides production funding to eligible Indigenous Western Australian television productions in the form of a grant.

Overview

Screenwest can provide limited funding for Indigenous low budget television productions. Where an Indigenous project is to be produced for an eligible national television broadcaster, Screenwest can provide funding of up to $25,000 to the Western Australian Resident or Western Australian Resident Company with eligible productions.

How much is available?

Up to $25,000 (subject to available funds) per project

Applications for this fund can be submitted at any time. Screenwest does not fund retrospectively.

Limitations

Who is eligible?

Indigenous Western Australian Film Practitioners and Production Companies.

The Applicant must be a Western Australian Resident or Western Australian Resident Company as per the Terms of Trade.

The applicant must own or control 100% of copyright in the project or be in a genuine co production (as defined by the Screenwest Terms of Trade).

Applicants who have an outstanding acquittal report and/or deliverable(s) or have not fulfilled their contractual obligations relating to prior Screenwest funding are not eligible to apply unless an alternative arrangement is agreed with Screenwest prior to application. Please contact Screenwest directly for advice on your specific situation.

What projects are eligible?

The key eligibility requirements of the Indigenous Low Budget Television Fund are:

That the project must have Indigenous Australians in key creative roles. Funding is not intended for projects by non-Indigenous filmmakers with Indigenous content.

All applicants must have already obtained a written offer of funds from an eligible national television broadcaster recognised and approved by Screenwest, including but not limited to National Indigenous Television (NITV), ABC and SBS. The broadcaster's funds may consist of a cash license fee, an investment, any related cash distribution advances or guarantees recoupable from gross receipts. Screenwest will match the type of funding that is offered, up to $25,000. Any in-kind contributions such as resources, facilities, stock footage or similar offered from the broadcaster should be in addition to the cash contribution in the project and must be at an acceptable level to Screenwest. Screenwest will not financially match an inkind contribution from a broadcaster.

The majority of the project must be undertaken in Western Australia.

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Screenwest encourages Indigenous film practitioners to apply under the most appropriate funding initiative. This may not be an Indigenous funding program.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Mail, Email
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G07846/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G07846/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G07846/apply
Contact: Devina McPherson
Email: devina.mcpherson@screenwest.com.au **Phone:** (08) 6169 2112 or toll free: 1800 463 043 (WA Country Callers only)

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First Nations Sector Development Travel Grants

Funding Provider
Screen Australia

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G07785

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
✔ Individual

Funding
$6,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Travel Grants program is designed to assist Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander filmmakers in travelling to key international and Australian events. Professional development is a key objective.

Overview

Funding is available to support travel costs associated with attending:

- recognised film festivals and pitching forums where an applicant's film has been selected or invited to attend
- events where the applicant or their film has been nominated for an award
- key international markets
- conferences and workshops providing significant professional development opportunities.

Funding

Requests can be for domestic or international travel supported by a budget for:

- Up to $6,000 for International travel
- Up to $3,000 for travel within Australia

Only in exceptional circumstances will we provide funding outside of this amount.

Any hospitality offered by the event must be disclosed and any travel funding from other sources must be listed in the application form, including Screen Australia's Business and Audience Department and state agencies.

Screen Australia's First Nations Department will take into account any travel funds provided by Screen Australia's Business and Audience Department and by state agencies, and the actual costs of travel from the applicant's current place of residence.

Screen Australia will not provide funds retrospectively.

Limitations

Who can apply?

Applicants and their projects must meet the general eligibility requirements set out in Screen Australia's Terms of Trade in addition to the following:

- Applicants must be Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Australians.
- Travel grants are for Australian residents. Australians living overseas are not eligible.

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- The event must be one of those listed under 'Eligible events' below. In exceptional circumstances, at the discretion of Screen Australia, an event not on the current list may be considered if it has grown in significance and/or offers unique commercial opportunities.
- Proof of selection/invitation/nomination must be provided for all applications with the exception of travel to markets and conferences.
- For markets, the applicant must be a producer with at least one active project in development to pitch.
- For award ceremonies, the applicant must be nominated for an award, or the producer or director of a film nominated for an award.
- Where a project has been invited to screen at an eligible festival, applications will be considered for travel by key Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander cast members, as well as key creatives.
- Practitioners may receive only one travel grant through this program within a 12-month period, other than in exceptional circumstances.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G07785/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G07785/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G07785/apply
Email: FirstNations@screenaustralia.gov.au **Phone:** 1800 507 901

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Food Vouchers

Funding Provider
Actors Benevolent Fund of NSW

Location
NSW

Funding Type
In-kind Contribution U00374

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$400

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Fund will assist with an one-off delivery of food vouchers to allow those in temporary need to continue to place food on the table.

Overview

Applicants can apply for a voucher valued up to $400 to relieve financial pressure.

Limitations

Eligibility:

- You are a current resident of NSW.
- You have worked professionally in the entertainment profession for a minimum of 3 years, or are a current full-time student of an accredited performing arts training school.
- You have demonstrated that you are in temporary financial need.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online, Email
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00374/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00374/apply
Email: info@actorsbenevolentfund.org.au

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Footloose Production Fund

Funding Provider
ScreenWest

Location
WA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19780

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Business

Funding
$400,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **2 Feb 2026**

Purpose

This fund provides grant finance for high profile, market driven, local, national and international footloose, scripted feature films, telemovies and series.

Overview

Projects must:

- Undertake production in Western Australia.
- Showcase local stories, locations and/or culture to an international audience.
- Assist in the development of the Western Australian screen sector.

Funding Available:

Up to $400,000 per project. Funding is calculated by combining Base Funding plus Funding Incentives. Base Funding is calculated at 10% of the Qualifying Western Australian Expenditure (QWAE) of a project capped at $250,000. Funding Incentives are calculated via the 'Funding Incentives Table capped at $150,000.

Competitive application rounds will be advertised throughout the financial year. Screenwest encourages applications from First Nations Australians and people from historically under- represented groups.

Limitations

Projects must be one of the following formats to be eligible for funding:

- Feature film; or
- Scripted series for traditional television broadcast, streaming or online platform.

Projects are required to have confirmed marketplace attachment from a recognised distributor or exhibition platform for one or more of the following:

- Theatrical release;
- Television broadcast on free to air or pay/cable television; or
- Online release (with significant audience share).

Applicants must present a distribution plan for Australian domestic and Rest of World (ROW) sales.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19780/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19780/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19780/apply
Email: info@screenwest.com.au **Phone:** 6169 2100

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Games Production Fund

Funding Provider
Screen Australia

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19323

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Business

Funding
$100,000
Total Pool: $500,000

Rounds
Closes **5 Mar 2026**

Purpose

The Games Production Fund will provide grants of up to $100,000 to support the development of original, Australian independent games.

Overview

The fund is aimed at projects that already have an early-stage prototype. Applicants must contextualise the milestone they are working towards and how this funding will help them achieve it in their applications.

Significant milestones include:

- Completion/release of a game
- Early access release of a game
- Completion of a demo (to release at a digital event, or present at a physical event)
- Creating a vertical slice that is of a globally competitive quality and enables a team to access the international funding ecosystem
- Developing an early-stage prototype to a quality suitable for submission to an accolade signifying cultural impact, such as a notable award, showcase, festival, gallery or museum exhibit opportunity
- Any other goal, as defined by the applicant

Limitations

In terms of business structure, this fund is for private companies. Applicants must be a company at the time of application. Other business structures, including sole traders and public companies, are not eligible. Sole traders are instead encouraged to consider applying for the Emerging Gamemakers Fund if they otherwise meet the criteria of that fund.

Projects that have previously received funding from the Emerging Gamemakers Fund are eligible to apply for the Games Production Fund.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19323/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19323/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19323/apply
Email: games@screenaustralia.gov.au **Phone:** 1800 507 901

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Games Production and Development Program

Funding Provider
Screen Canberra

Location
ACT

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19796

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
- Individual
- Business

Funding
$100,000

Rounds
Closes **4 Jan 2026**

Opens **19 Jan 2026** Closes **1 Mar 2026**

Opens **16 Mar 2026** Closes **3 May 2026**

Purpose

The Games Production and Development Program supports ACT based studios and creators to develop and produce digital games with strong creative and commercial potential.

Overview

Funding is available for both early stage development work such as prototypes and vertical slices, and for full scale production.

The program aims to strengthen local games businesses, support sustainable studio growth and increase the number of ACT made games reaching national and global players.

Available Funding:

- Phase 1 Development Up to $30,000 for concept development, prototyping, vertical slice creation, narrative design and commercial planning.
- Phase 2 Production Up to $100,000 for full scale game production, asset creation, coding, level design and quality assurance.

Both phases are non-recoupable grants. Applicants must demonstrate a 1:2 Qualifying ACT Expenditure (QACTE).

Limitations

Applicants must:

- Have an active ABN
- Be ACT based or demonstrate clear ACT economic benefit
- Hold the rights required to develop and release the game
- Have meaningful creative and or financial control
- Have the capacity and resources to deliver the proposed work
- Meet Screen Canberra's Terms of Trade

Individuals must also:

- Be at least 18
- Be Australian citizens or permanent residents
- Not be full time students
- Be ACT based or engage at least two ACT based key creatives

Companies must also:

- Be incorporated in Australia
- Be ACT based or be genuine co producers with an ACT based company, or meet the minimum ACT spend requirement
- Not be gambling companies or educational institutions

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19796/info

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19796/apply
Email: info@screencanberra.com.au

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Griffin Award

Funding Providers
Copyright Agency Limited (CAL)
Griffin Theatre Company

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Award A00850

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
Amount: Unknown to $17,700
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **4 Jan 2026 11.59pm**

Purpose

The prestigious Griffin Award recognises an outstanding play or performance text that displays an authentic, inventive and contemporary Australian voice

Overview

In 2026, thanks to the generosity of Copyright Agency's Cultural Fund, the winning playwright will receivea full commission ($17,700) and dramaturgical support from Griffin Theatre Company to develop their play in-house.

Limitations

To be eligible for the Griffin Award, plays must:

- Be at least 60 minutes in length.
- Be unproduced and unpublished.
- Be unencumbered by agreements for future production or publication.
- Not have been previously submitted for the Griffin Award or have been part of any of our other artistic programs.
- Be written by a playwright who is a citizen or permanent resident of Australia.

Entry terms and conditions:

1. Playwrights may submit only one (1) play for consideration.
2. The decision of the judging panel is final, and no correspondence will be entered into.
3. The work must be submitted electronically via entry form on the Griffin website.
4. Griffin shall have worldwide first right of refusal to produce the winning play for a period of 12 months following announcement of the winner.
5. Plays or performance texts submitted may be original ideas or adaptations from other forms providing that permission to adapt the material has been obtained from the copyright holder. The rights for all material in the work must be secured by the writer prior to entry. This includes any songs, poems or quotes.
6. Due to the high volume of submissions, Griffin is not able to supply feedback on submitted plays.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/A00850/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/A00850/guidelines
Email: artistic@griffintheatre.com.au **Phone:** 02 9332 1052

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Industry Development

Funding Providers
Screen Tasmania
Department of State Growth (TAS)

Location
TAS

Funding Type
Cash Grant G18804

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Business

Funding
$5,000 (approx)
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **19 Jun 2026**

Last Round
Closed **25 Nov 2025**

Purpose

This program is aimed at developing the professional skills and networks of Tasmanian screen practitioners.

Overview

The Industry development grant supports experienced practitioners to attend intrastate, interstate and international markets and events, and provides funding for inbound training events and business travel that has significant professional development opportunities.

Screen Tasmania's Industry Development program is divided into four streams:

Stream A - Market Travel: For practitioners wanting to travel to market, funding is available to eligible applicants for up to 50 per cent of: accommodation, airfares, any registration or entry fees. See more information here (applications can be made at any time)

Stream B - Conference Support: Funding is eligible for applicants to attend established Australian screen industry conferences, events, and workshops. See more information here (Screen Tasmania will offer specific rounds)

Stream C - Short Courses: Funding support is available to eligible applicants for short course fees where theoretical and practical education can assist in a practitioner's screen or gaming career journey. See more information here (Applications can be made at any time)

Stream D - Professional Events: Funding is available to eligible applicants for either: hosting a professional event; attending a professional event. See more information here (applications can be made at any time)

Limitations

Eligibility

Please refer to Eligibility requirements relevant to each stream in the guidelines.

You must also meet the General Guidelines (PDF 344.5 KB). You can only apply for travel grants if you are a Tasmanian resident.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G18804/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G18804/guidelines

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G18804/apply
Address: Screen Tasmania GPO Box 646 HOBART 7001 TAS
Email: jane.stapleton@screen.tas.gov.au **Phone:** 03 6165 5070

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International Festival Travel

Funding Provider
VicScreen

Location
VIC

Funding Type
Cash Grant G08288

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$4,000

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

International Travel - Festivals supports screen practitioners to attend approved international festivals. Festival attendance facilitates introductions and opportunities and promotes Victorian talent to new and existing markets and audiences.

Overview

Available funding:

- Travel costs associated with attendance at an approved festival.
- Successful applicants must cover the costs of travel and will receive the grant after the travel is complete and on provision of an acquittal report and evidence of travel.

Up to $4,000

Applications are assessed taking into account Assessment Criteria including:

- applicant's objectives for attending the approved festival, including marketing and networking opportunities available
- other projects of the applicant in development that may benefit from exposure at the approved festival and which could be presented to potential partners/sales agents
- benefits to the applicant, their project/s and the Victorian screen industry gained by attendance
- how the project, its cast and key creatives address gender equality, diversity and inclusiveness.

Limitations

Eligibility:

To be eligible, you must:

- be either a company based in Victoria or an individual Victorian resident (please view our Terms of Trade for eligibility requirements)
- have been invited to attend an approved international festival with an eligible project or
- have been invited to participate in a creative workshop at an approved international festival with an eligible project
- own or control the necessary rights to represent the eligible project at the festival
- travel to an approved international festival.

Company applicants must nominate an individual person (required to be Victorian and generally the producer, director, writer or game developer for the project) to represent the eligible project at the festival.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G08288/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G08288/guidelines

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G08288/apply
Contact: Hanna Tai
Email: applications@vicscreen.vic.gov.au **Phone:** 03 9660 3278

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International Travel Fund

Funding Provider
Screen NSW

Location
NSW

Funding Type
Cash Grant G15224

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Business
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
$6,000

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The International Travel Fund supports NSW screen practitioners for travel related to significant international festivals, markets, awards, industry trade missions and financing projects.

Overview

This program aims to increase accessibility to opportunities that foster the advancement of the NSW screen industry and its practitioners globally. Applicants may apply through this program for funding related to either International Market Travel or International Festival Travel.

Applicants are encouraged to contact Screen NSW (investment@screen.nsw.gov.au) if they are uncertain about eligibility for this program.

The objectives of the program are to:

- Support the nurturing of new ideas and talent in NSW
- Ensure Key Creatives are given access to opportunities to not only benefit their own careers but also then reinvest it back into the NSW screen industry
- Support connections that will shape the future of NSW's creative landscape and strengthen NSW's position in the global market.

Requests for travel support must not exceed $6,000. Screen NSW will support up to $5,000 per individual or up to $6,000 (in total) for two or more team members per application.

Limitations

Eligibility:

Screen NSW general eligibility requirements can be found in the Screen NSW Terms of Trade, which should be read in conjunction with these guidelines.

Applicants must:

- Be NSW-based, or otherwise:
    - Provide evidence of a of a genuine co-production partnership with a NSW-based company or producer, or
    - Have at least one NSW-based Key Creative (writer, producer or director) attached to the proposed project(s) taken to the festival or market
- Have an Australian Business Number (ABN).

Additionally:

- **Market Travel:** Applicants must be attending a recognised screen industry market with a demonstrable slate of at least three projects aiming to further financing and market partnerships. Applicants must be the be the rights holder for each project included in the slate proposed to be taken to market.
- **Festival Travel:** Applicants must be invited to represent project/s with confirmed screenings in the program of an approved international festival or major awards ceremony and evidence of selection must be provided.
- **Both Market and Festival Travel:** An individual or a team can submit up to three applications to this program in any financial year, but only one application at a time.

Please note that Screen NSW funding is entirely limited to travel costs for proposed NSW-based Key Creatives intending to travel. In addition, projects that have not received Screen NSW development or production finance are still eligible for this Fund.

If applying more than once, a strong case must be made to support this. This includes demonstrating exceptional market potential for your slate, confirmed high-level industry meetings and substantial financial commitments contingent on the

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project's development. Generally, we will not consider additional funding for a project that has a current application to another Screen NSW program.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G15224/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G15224/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G15224/apply
Email: investment@screen.nsw.gov.au

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International Travel Fund

Funding Provider
Creative Australia

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G18249

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
Amount: $5,000 to $20,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **14 Apr 2026**
Closes **4 Aug 2026**

Last Round
Closed **11 Nov 2025**

Purpose

Funding to support travel to key international market development platforms and key gatherings.

Overview

The International Travel Fund supports international travel costs associated with Australian artists, creative workers and organisations attending significant market development platforms or key gatherings overseas.

This includes international performing arts markets, book fairs, art fairs, First Nations gatherings, and festivals that have a market development and international networking focus within their program.

The aims of the fund are to:

- support international travel costs for individuals, groups or organisations to attend market development platforms or key gatherings
- support Australian artists, creative workers and organisations to build and sustain international networks and connections.

You can apply for a flat amount of $5,000, $10,000, $15,000 or $20,000 only. Requests for other amounts will not be accepted.

Future closing dates are:

- 11 November 2025
- 14 April 2026
- 4 August 2026

Priority activities for the 11 November 2025 closing date:

Priority will be given to applications supporting travel to:

- **Performing arts:** Performing Arts Network New Zealand (PANNZ) Arts Market (March 2026); International Society for the Performing Arts (ISPA) Congress in Singapore (May 2026); Hong Kong Performing Arts Expo (HKPAX) (October 2026)
- **Visual arts:** ART SG, Singapore (January 2026); Art Basel Hong Kong (March 2026); Frieze Seoul Art Fair (September 2026)
- **Literature:** London Book Fair (March 2026); Bologna Book Fair (April 2026); and Frankfurt Book Fair (October 2026).

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Limitations

Who can apply:

- Australian individuals, groups and organisations (including small businesses). This includes:
- Australian citizens or permanent residents, whether you are based in Australia or overseas
- Australian organisations working in the arts and culture sector
- Organisations receiving funding through Creative Australia's Two-Year Investment for Organisations Pilots 2025-2026 and Four-Year Investment for Organisations.
- You can only submit one (1) application per closing date. Note you cannot submit an individual application as well as an application on behalf of a group or organisation.

Applicants working in the following arts practices:

- community arts and cultural development
- dance
- emerging and experimental arts
- First Nations arts and culture
- literature
- multi-art form
- music, excluding contemporary music as per Music Australia's definition (see 'About the grant' above for more information)
- theatre
- visual arts.

Please note: If you work in contemporary music, you are not eligible to apply to this fund. You should apply to the **Export Development Fund** from Music Australia instead. Australian contemporary music, as defined by the Music Australia Council, is "any genre or subgenre of music currently composed, written, produced by Australians and licensed, recorded, presented, and distributed through commercial and non-commercial activity. This includes musical works that are new, original and relevant to contemporary Australia."

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G18249/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G18249/apply
Website: https://creative.gov.au/about-us/contact-us/ **Email:** international@creative.gov.au

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Lady Mollie Isabelle Askin Ballet Scholarship

Funding Providers
Perpetual Limited Grants
Creative Australia

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Scholarship S05742

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$30,000
Total Pool: $30,000

Rounds
Closes **3 Feb 2026 3pm AEDT**

Purpose

The Lady Mollie Isabelle Askin Ballet Scholarship was established by a Deed of Lady Mollie Askin to further culture and advance education in Australia by providing travelling scholarships for Australian citizens with outstanding ability and promise in Ballet.

Overview

The scholarship is awarded biennially to candidates who have outstanding ability and promise in Ballet. The scholarship is worth $30,000, payable in two instalments of $15,000 over two years.

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Limitations

Applications for the Lady Mollie Isabelle Askin Ballet Scholarship are open to individual artists who are Australian citizens aged 17 – 29 at the closing date.

These are terms established by the Lady Mollie Isabelle Askin Ballet Scholarship Trust. There are no exceptions to these requirements.

If you are an Australian citizen but will have difficulty providing a copy of a birth certificate, passport or citizenship certificate, please contact Artists Services.

You can't apply for a scholarship if:

- you have an overdue grant report
- you owe money to Creative Australia
- you were previously awarded a Lady Mollie Isabelle Askin Ballet Scholarship.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05742/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05742/apply
Address: PO Box 788 Strawberry Hills 2012 NSW
Phone: 02 9215 9000

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Live Music Events Fund

Funding Providers
Music Development Office (SA)
Department for Innovation and Skills (SA)

Location
SA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G10953

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Business
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
Total Pool: $550,000

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The State Government's Live Music Events Fund was created to support live music events and festivals with the potential to grow into major tourist attractions.

Overview

Live music is part of South Australia's identity: a creative, thriving sector that makes an important contribution to the economy.

The Music Development Office, part of the Creative Industries Directorate within the Department for Innovation and Skills, is administering the fund.

The Government has committed up to $550,000 per year to support music events and festivals through the Live Music Events Fund.

The fund aims to:

- Elevate Adelaide's recognition as a UNESCO City of Music through activating our live music events calendar
- Mitigate the financial barriers experienced by promoters in the first two years of staging a new live music event
- Attract unique music events to South Australia that generate economic benefit, provide local jobs for musicians and crews, and attract visitors from South Australia's key domestic tourism markets
- Provide industry development opportunities or pathways that support the growth of the event into a unique offering for the state that is financially sustainable.

Initial applications are by expression of interest and accepted all year round.

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Limitations

To be eligible, you must be a promoter, event organisation or music business (applicant) seeking financial support from the LMEF to present a major festival and music event (event) in South Australia.

If you are a previous MDO grant recipient and have an overdue funding acquittal with the Government of South Australia, you are not eligible to receive new funding in this program until your acquittal is complete. If your project is in progress but is not able to proceed as originally outlined in your previous application, you should contact the Program Manager to seek a variation or extension, if applicable.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G10953/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G10953/guidelines

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G10953/apply
Email: mdo@sa.gov.au **Phone:** 08 8429 3555

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Local Audience Development Grants - Live Music Events and All Ages Programming

Funding Provider
Sound NSW

Location
NSW

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19758

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
Business

Funding
$100,000

Rounds
Closes **12 Feb 2026**

Purpose

This funding program supports contemporary music events and festivals to deliver new programming and activities that builds audiences, promotes NSW music, supports local music collaboration and provides opportunities for community connection through music.

Overview

The funding aims to:

- build audiences and promote NSW music
- increase local artist engagement with their local music scene or community
- increase opportunities for all ages music event programming
- strengthen community participation particularly in Western Sydney and regional NSW
- amplify the work of priority communities to build a diverse contemporary music sector.

Funding can support, but is not limited to, activities such as:

- all ages music event activity that supports early career artists and industry professionals to establish and grow new music scenes or communities
- local music events that connect local artists with local business and venues to build local audiences
- festivals based in regional NSW and Western Sydney programming local artists and collaborating with local business and venues.

Limitations

Funding is available for music businesses and industry professionals to generate new activity through the delivery of contemporary music events and festivals.

Contemporary music events and festivals must:

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- be presented in NSW
- be majority Australian owned
- program new and original contemporary music
- have a maximum capacity of 15,000 **OR** have a primary focus of First Nations cultural priorities **OR** be based in regional NSW or Western Sydney
- collaborate with local venues and community organisations to deliver new activity that supports growth in audiences
- provide opportunities for local community connection
- predominantly program local music artists and acts
- program artists from NSW Government priority groups.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19758/info

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19758/apply
Email: info@sound.nsw.gov.au

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Local Audience Development Grants - Promoting NSW Music

Funding Provider
Sound NSW

Location
NSW

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19759

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
Business

Funding
$200,000

Rounds
Closes **12 Feb 2026**

Purpose

This funding program supports the development of significant technology, digital tools and online collaboration to connect fans with NSW music.

Overview

This funding program is designed to sustain a thriving grassroots music ecosystem that builds audiences, promotes NSW music and supports local music collaboration. It aims to:

- build audiences and promote NSW music
- increase engagement with local music through content creation, collaboration and partnerships
- leverage technology solutions to enhance collaboration and innovation
- strengthen music communities in Western Sydney and regional NSW
- amplify the work of priority communities to build a diverse contemporary music sector.

Funding can support, but is not limited to, activities such as:

- significant technology projects providing solutions to grow audience engagement ie digital platforms, tools and AI
- curated digital content highlighting NSW music artists to drive local music discovery
- collaborative marketing campaigns supporting a local music scene or community.

Limitations

This program is open to music businesses and industry professionals.

Funding recipients must:

- be currently based in NSW
- have an active ABN (that's your Australian Business Number)
- have a bank account with the same name as your ABN.

Applicants must also demonstrate partnerships with music businesses or industry professionals working in contemporary music.

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Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19759/info
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19759/apply
Email: info@sound.nsw.gov.au

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Location Scouts and Inbounds Program

Funding Provider
Screen NSW

Location
NSW

Funding Type
Cash Grant G08348

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Business

Funding
$3,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Screen NSW provides location and production support to encourage screen projects to film in Sydney and NSW.

Overview

The objectives of the location scouts and inbounds program include:

- To market NSW as Australia's premier screen production destination;
- To increase the State's market share of film and television production by attracting potential projects to film in NSW;
- To familiarise practitioners with NSW locations for their projects;
- To provide an opportunity to connect local and international practitioners with local technical and creative talent, studio and post-production and visual effects facilities for their projects and to support new and sustainable partnerships between organisations of International significance and local practitioners and facilities.

Limitations

The program offers long-form footloose productions scouting assistance for location surveys for eligible projects and may include covering some of the costs associated with location surveys including accommodation, domestic flights, vehicle hire and location manager services.

Applications are open to Australian and international individuals or organisations.

Australian applicants must have an ABN.

Applicants to other Screen NSW programs are eligible to apply to this program.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G08348/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G08348/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G08348/apply
Email: attraction@screen.nsw.gov.au

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MAMA Art Foundation National Photography Prize

Funding Provider
Murray Art Museum Albury (MAMA)

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Award A00824

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
- Individual

Funding
$40,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **20 Feb 2026 3pm (AEDT)**

Purpose

Every two years the National Photography Prize offers an opportunity to consider the vital role of photography in contemporary art in Australia. The National Photography Prize brings together artists from across Australia who are developing and challenging photographic language and techniques.

Overview

The Prize provides a forum for artists working with photography to present cohesive selections of work, or works in series, offering a depth of critical reflection that recognises the complexities and nuances of the history of the photograph and its contemporary manifestation.

Generously supported by the MAMA Art Foundation, the National Photography Prize offers a $40,000 acquisitive first prize, the $5000 John and Margaret Baker Fellowship for an emerging practitioner, and further supports a number of artists through focused acquisitions.

In consideration of the medium's fluid history, the National Photography Prize encourages artists working across all areas of the photographic field to enter. This includes artists working in traditional forms of light based, chemical production through to those dealing with hybrid and expanded fields of photography and image making.

The National Photography Prize exhibition features all Prize finalists as well as a rich public program of artist talks, workshops, and kids activities.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/A00824/info
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/A00824/apply
Email: mama@alburycity.nsw.gov.au **Phone:** (02) 6043 5800

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Made In NSW International Footloose Production

Funding Provider
Screen NSW

Location
NSW

Funding Type
Cash Grant G08349

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Business

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

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Purpose

Screen NSW's Made in NSW Program is a five-year funding program to support the advancement of NSW as a production destination for feature films and major television drama programs.

Overview

The level of any financial assistance offered for this program is discretionary and determined on a case-by-case basis from limited funds.

What projects are eligible?

- Feature films, telemovies, animation, mini-series and TV series
- International/Australian co-productions
- Fully internationally financed feature films and television projects from local production companies

Note: Eligible projects must be genuinely 'footloose', meaning not already locked into production in NSW.

Please contact the Senior Manager, Screen Production Attraction, Mark Lazarus to discuss your application prior to submission.

Limitations

Qualifying NSW Production Expenditure (QNSWPE) includes:

- Payroll subject to NSW Payroll Tax excluding payroll to non-NSW residents
- NSW workers' compensation payments
- Payments to a supplier of goods and services whose principal place of business is in NSW. Suppliers include independent contractors who are not subject to NSW Payroll Tax
- Payments to a supplier of goods and services which, although its principal place of business is outside NSW, has an office or branch in NSW which is supplying the goods or services, including fees and charges relating to the use of land within NSW
- Fees and charges relating to the use of land within New South Wales
- Inbound international or interstate travel to a NSW destination. Where a return fare is purchased fifty per cent (50%) of the fare qualifies as QNSWPE. The two-week rule for non cast members that is applied to the guidelines applies. That is the person must spend no less than two consecutive calendar weeks in NSW following arrival
- Inbound freight to a NSW destination
- Fringe Benefits Tax relating to benefits provided in NSW
- NSW Payroll Tax

But excludes:

- Goods or services which are sourced from outside NSW from a non-NSW supplier, even though they are used in the production of the project in NSW
- Remuneration for non-NSW residents.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G08349/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G08349/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G08349/apply
Contact: Mark Lazarus
Email: mark.lazarus@screen.nsw.gov.au

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Made in NSW - TV Drama funding

Funding Provider
Screen NSW

Location
NSW

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19644

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Business

Funding
$1,000,000
Total Pool: Unknown

Rounds
Closes **2 Feb 2026**

Purpose

The Made in NSW - TV Drama Fund will support high-end feature film and television drama productions, produced by Australian production companies, which are genuinely footloose and can shoot in NSW.

Overview

Screen NSW will conduct 5 competitive rounds per financial year and round opening and closing dates will be published annually. If the applicant is intending to apply for this fund along with the Regional Filming Fund or NSW PDV Rebate, applications must be made concurrently and declared in the application.

The total budget of a project must be between $5 million (AUD) and $18 million (AUD). Applicants can apply for up to 10% of their Qualifying NSW Spend, capped at $1 million.

Funding from $0 to 1,000,000 per production is available through the program. Individual funding is determined on a case-by-case basis based on the Qualifying NSW Production Expenditure (QNSWPE) but will not exceed 10% of the QNSWPE or $1,000,000 - whichever is the lesser.

Limitations

Eligible projects are those between $5-18M production budgets in the following formats:

- Feature films, excluding documentaries
- Television drama and narrative comedy, including miniseries.

The applicant must:

- Fulfil one of the following:
    - Be an Australian company based in NSW and actively operating in NSW for at least six months prior to the funding application, or
    - Be an Australian company not based in NSW in a genuine co-production arrangement with a NSW production company and/or the project is created by a NSW creative or is substantially driven by NSW key creatives, or
    - Be a non-NSW based Australian Company, meeting at least a minimum level of NSW spend of 80% of total production costs.
- Have at least one NSW based Key Creative; and
- Be compliant with our Terms of Trade, and
- Maintain ownership or control of the rights necessary (or have shared ownership and/or joint control of copyright under a co-production arrangement) to carry out the project that is the subject of the application (including having ownership or control of any relevant copyright and appropriate clearances from all significant participants).

The project must:

- Have Significant Australian Content (SAC). SAC is evidenced by a Provisional Producer Offset Certificate or official co-production certification. For more details on the SAC test see here.
- Be fully financed at the time of application (other than the contribution from Screen NSW, or contributions that are being considered concurrently by other similar State or Federal agencies).,
- Have not commenced pre-production prior to the closing date of the round
- Be genuinely footloose.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19644/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19644/guidelines

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Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19644/apply
Email: investment@screen.nsw.gov.au

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Market Development

Funding Provider
CreateSA

Location
SA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19833

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Business
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
$15,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **2 Feb 2026 5pm**

Purpose

This grant supports artists and organisations to build a national and international profile through the development of relationships, networks and market opportunities.

Overview

The category covers all art forms and the activity must benefit South Australian artists.

Grant amount

Up to $15,000

What you can apply for

- Travel to national or international markets, art fairs, events or festivals, where it can be demonstrated that South Australian artists are the key beneficiaries of the activity
- Costs to bring key industry representatives to South Australia for meetings or presentations
- The development of marketing materials for promotion related to market development
- Tour development, including small-scale presentations of new work (that hasn't toured previously) in a new region or market, noting that this category is not intended to support full-scale touring

Limitations

Who can apply

- Independent artists/groups and arts workers
- Funded organisations: small-to-medium organisations, major organisations
- For-profit arts and cultural organisations such as private galleries, agents, publishers, producers and presenters can apply where a direct benefit to South Australian artists can be demonstrated

Who is ineligible

- Artists residing outside South Australia
- Organisations funded through the National Performing Arts Partnership Framework (NPAPF) formerly known as Major Performing Arts (MPA) Companies
- Statutory Authorities

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19833/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19833/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19833/apply
Email: ASAGrants@sa.gov.au

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Marten Bequest Travelling Scholarships

Funding Providers
Creative Australia
Perpetual Limited Grants

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Scholarship S05746

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$50,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **3 Feb 2026 3pm AEDT (or earlier if application limit is met)**

Purpose

The Marten Bequest Scholarships offer talented young artists the chance to explore, study and develop their artistic gifts through travelling either interstate and/or overseas.

Overview

In 2026, the scholarships will provide financial support for the disciplines of acting, instrumental music, painting and poetry.

In 2027, the scholarships will provide financial support for the disciplines of architecture, ballet, prose, sculpture and singing.

Scholarships are each worth $50,000, payable in quarterly instalments over two years.

Limitations

Individual artists who are:

- Australian citizens
- aged 21 – 35 at the closing date.

These are terms established by The Marten Bequest and there are no exceptions to this requirement.

All applicants should familiarise themselves with the terms and conditions of The Marten Bequest.

If you are an Australian citizen but will have difficulty providing a copy of a birth certificate, passport or citizenship certificate, please contact Artists Services.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05746/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05746/apply
Website: https://creative.gov.au/about-us/contact-us/ **Email:** enquiries@creative.gov.au **Phone:** (02) 9215 9000

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Matched Development Investment Fund

Funding Provider
ScreenWest

Location
WA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G07851

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Business

Funding
$25,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Matched Development Investment funding is designed to support Western Australian companies or individuals that have secured project development funding from a nationally or internationally recognised broadcaster or distributor.

Overview

The applicant must provide a suitable letter of commitment from the broadcaster/distributor and an appropriate development plan and budget.

Funding available

- Successful applicants may be offered up to a maximum of $25,000 per project per application.
- The level of Screenwest's funding commitment will be determined by the market investment, the assessment process and the total demand on available funds.
- In cases where there is more than one market investor, Screenwest will match the highest market partner contributor only.
- Funding will not be awarded retrospectively, for example, fees for drafts written prior to submitting an application.

Limitations

Eligibility

- Meet the general eligibility requirements set out in the Screenwest Terms of Trade.
- Be a Western Australian resident or company. (Non-Western Australian productions will only be considered where the Production Company brings demonstrated strong economic and/or ongoing creative opportunities to the State).
- Hold the underlying rights at the time of application. Screenwest's development funding cannot be used to purchase options or rights to a project.
- Have secured project development funding from a nationally or internationally recognised broadcaster or distributor and provide Screenwest with a suitable letter of commitment from the broadcaster/distributor.
- Submit the application within eight weeks of the date on the market partner's letter of commitment.
- Be in good standing with all previous Screenwest funds and programs. Applicants who have an outstanding acquittal report and/or deliverable(s) or have not fulfilled their contractual obligations relating to prior Screenwest funding are not eligible to apply unless an alternative arrangement is agreed with Screenwest prior to application. Applicants should contact Screenwest directly for advice on their specific situation.

Eligible project formats:

- Scripted drama/comedy series
- Features and telemovies
- Factual programs

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G07851/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G07851/guidelines

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G07851/apply
Contact: Paul Williams
Email: paul.williams@screenwest.com.au **Phone:** (08) 6169 2116

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Matched Market Development Grant

Funding Provider
South Australian Film Corporation (SAFC)

Location
SA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G08161

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Business

Funding
$25,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Matched Market Program provides guaranteed matched funding to South Australian production companies with secured third-party development support from the market.

Overview

The program empowers South Australian producers to attract market partners for their slates and projects, with the certainty that the SAFC will match their development contribution. Production companies incorporated in, or with their headquarters in, South Australia may apply for uncapped Matched Market Development, subject to the availability of SAFC funds.

Projects must be intended for commercial release via; theatrical cinema release; television broadcast or SVOD; digital and/or online platforms.

Applications can be made at any time and the SAFC will match marketplace contributions up to $25,000.

Matched Market Development Funding is considered a partial contribution to the next stage of development. Funds may be used towards development activities including (but not limited to):

- World building, writer's room costs, series bibles, episode outlines, draft scripts, detailed research, script editing, budgeting, scheduling, casting, location scouting, legal fees, writing of a documentary treatment, creation of a teaser, proof of concepts, prototyping for VR, producer fees, writer fees and director fees, script editors and script consultants.

Limitations

What can't the fund be used for?

- The costs of options in the work, copyright or life rights
- The purchase of equipment, hardware or software
- Retrospective development expenses and International Travel

Who is eligible?

Production Companies incorporated in, or Headquartered in, South Australia.

The SAFC is committed to supporting increased participation for people from groups under-represented in the screen industry including; women, First Nations practitioners, practitioners from Culturally and Linguistically Diverse (CALD) backgrounds, Deaf or disabled, LGBTQIA+ communities and screen practitioners from regional and remote areas.

Criteria

The SAFC will match third-party development contributions for projects that meet the following criteria:

- The applicant must be a South Australian production company that own, or have an option to acquire, at least 50% of the copyright (excluding any financier's share of copyright)
- The market contribution must be from a recognised third-party market entity*
- The application satisfies the requirements of the SAFC Terms of Trade

*This may also include confirmed development funding from Screen Australia or partner production companies that have output deals with market entities.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G08161/info

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Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G08161/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G08161/apply
Email: programs@safilm.com.au **Phone:** 08 8394 2029

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Monthly grant

Funding Provider
Actors Benevolent Fund of NSW

Location
NSW

Funding Type
Cash Grant G11987

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$400 (approx)
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

This grant is paid in monthly instalments of $330.00. An application may be made for a 3-month, 6-month or 12-month period, and may be extended or renewed following further application to, and at the discretion of, the Committee.

Overview

It is available to those who are unable to work, or whose working hours have been reduced for a prolonged period due to injury, illness, accident or disability. This grant is designed to supplement other government benefits being received and is to assist with general living expenses.

It is understood that the recipient would suffer significant financial hardship without this grant.

Limitations

Eligibility

- You are a current resident of NSW.
- You have worked professionally in theatre, film or television for a minimum of 3 years.
- You have demonstrated significant financial need.
- You are a current recipient of Government Benefits (JobSeeker, pension, etc); or You have limited forms of income available to you.
- Your current income is the equivalent of $35,000 per annum or less

Recipients are required to inform the ABF of any changes that affects their income either temporarily or permanently. Failure to do so may result in the cancellation of payments without notice. Further, recipients may have the terms of their grant reviewed at the discretion of the Committee.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online, Email
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G11987/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G11987/apply
Email: info@actorsbenevolentfund.org.au **Phone:** 02 9333 0915

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Mordant Family x Creative Australia Affiliated Fellowship at the American Academy in Rome

Funding Provider
Creative Australia

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Scholarship S05756

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
Amount: $8,500 to $12,500

Rounds
Closes **3 Feb 2026**

Purpose

Open to established visual artists with a significant record of exhibitions in public institutions and commercial galleries.

Overview

Pursue your work in an inspiring, collaborative, and supportive environment, with accommodation and studio space in the AAR's historic building in Rome.

Open to established visual artists with a significant record of exhibitions in public institutions and commercial galleries.

The successful applicant will have access to meals prepared by the Rome Sustainable Food project, as well as access to the library, gardens, communal spaces, IT support, and program staff and advisors. As a Mordant Family/Creative Australia Affiliated Fellow you will be invited to the Academy's public programming including exhibitions, lectures, and workshops. When and where possible you will also be invited to join Walks and Talks and the Spring and/or Fall Trips.

Dates for the residency will be negotiated with the recipient and the **American Academy in Rome**.

Limitations

Who can apply?

- Only individuals may apply to this category.
- You must be a practicing artist and an Australian citizen or an Australian permanent resident.
- Established visual artists with a significant record of exhibitions in public institutions and commercial galleries.

Who can’t apply?

You can’t apply if:

- You received a grant, or administered a grant, from us in the past and that grant has not been satisfactorily acquitted
- You owe money to Creative Australia
- We will not accept applications from legally constituted organisations.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05756/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05756/apply
Contact: Ellen Dwyer
Email: ellen.dwyer@creative.gov.au **Phone:** 02 9215 9051

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Narrative Content Short Film Production Funding

Funding Provider
Screen Australia

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G17967

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Business

Funding
Amount: $75,000 to $125,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **19 Feb 2026**

Last Round
Closed **30 Oct 2025**

Purpose

The Narrative Content Short Film Production Funding Program supports a team of content makers that must include Director, Writer, Producer and, where applicable, Animator, to make a Narrative Content Short Film intended for theatrical festivals.

Overview

The Narrative Content Short Film Production Funding Program supports a team of content makers that must include Director, Writer, Producer and, where applicable, Animator, to make a Narrative Content Short Film intended for theatrical festivals.

The aims of Narrative Content Short Film Production Program are to support:

- Australian live action or animated Narrative Short Films for a first and primary window of a theatrical festival outcome;
- talent who are connected to the stories they tell and reflect the breadth of Australia in service of cultural, creative and economic benefits; and
- talent and stories with viable pathways to festival audiences locally and/or globally.

The program will have two application rounds per financial year.

Available Funding

- Applicants may apply for any amount up to $100,000 for a live action short.
- Applicants may apply for any amount up to $125,000 for an animated short, or a short that blends live action and animation.
- It is expected that Screen Australia will be the major funder, but projects can also add to their budget via other sources where available, such as private investment, post-production investment, State or Territory agency funding, other funding avenues, provided that the production budget is no greater than $175,000.
- Screen Australia reserves the right to approve the project's Finance Plan at the time of application.
- The minimum funding amount request is $75,000.
- Screen Australia may decide to provide a different amount of funding than that applied for based on the assessment of all projects submitted to each funding round.

Limitations

This program is open to companies and individuals (either alone or as part of a team of co-applicants including director, writer, producer and where applicable, animator). To be eligible:

- an applicant company must be an incorporated company carrying on business in Australia, with its central management and control in Australia.
- an individual applicant or the team of individual co-applicants must be Australian citizens or Australian permanent residents (holding a permanent visa).

Applicants must also:

- have an Australian Business Number (ABN).
- control the rights necessary to carry out the project, meaning that they must have clear chain of title and must generally be party to any underlying rights agreements;
- be registered for the purposes of GST if required by law.

Screen Australia will accept applications from individuals (sole traders) applying on behalf of a team consisting of director, writer, producer, and where applicable, animator. However, if successful, the applicant/team will need to incorporate a company to make the project before contracting with Screen Australia. For the avoidance of doubt, all persons that apply

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as individuals in this capacity must comply with Screen Australia's eligibility requirements set out in the Information for Applicants.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G17967/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G17967/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G17967/apply

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National Biography Award

Funding Provider
State Library of New South Wales

Location
NSW

Funding Type
Award A00845

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$25,000
Total Pool: $42,000

Rounds
Closes **4 Feb 2026 5pm AEDT**

Purpose

The National Biography Award is administered to encourage the highest standards of biography and autobiography writing by Australian authors and to promote public interest in these genres.

Overview

Foundation, Sarah Crouch and the John Lamble Foundation.

The Award encourages the highest standards of biographical, autobiographical and memoir writing and promotes public interest in these genres. It is awarded to an outstanding work of biography, autobiography or memoir that presents an Australian subject or a subject who has made a significant contribution to Australia.

Previous winners over the Award's history include Roberta Sykes, Don Watson and Behrouz Boochani, among others.

The total prize money in 2026 is $42,000, comprised of the following:

$25,000 National Biography Award $5000 Michael Crouch Award for a Debut Work $2000 for each of the six works shortlisted for the National Biography Award.

The early-bird entry fee is $50 (including GST) for each work submitted by 5 pm, Tuesday 23 December 2025. The fee is $66 (including GST) for entries submitted after that date and up to the closing date of 5 pm, Wednesday 4 February 2026.

Limitations

To be eligible for consideration, submitted works must:

- be first published between 1 October 2024 and 30 September 2025 and made commercially available within this period (books may be self-published)
- be a biography, autobiography or memoir
- have a subject who is Australian or has made a significant contribution to Australia
- be written in the English language
- be published in book or ebook form with an ISBN
- consist of a minimum length of 40,000 words
- be an in-depth and comprehensive account of a life or significant aspect of a life. Biographies that deal with more than one life may, at the absolute discretion of the State Library of NSW, be eligible where the stories or lives are strongly intertwined.
- be the author's own original work. If the work draws on direct samples or copies of other works not created by the author, those sources should be publicly acknowledged and documented

Works submitted for the Michael Crouch Award for a debut work:

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- must be the author's first published biography, autobiography or memoir. Entrants are permitted to have previously published works in other genres (for example, fiction, poetry)
- are entered into both the National Biography Award and the Michael Crouch Award in the one entry form (only one entry fee needs to be paid)

See guidelines for additional eligibility requirements.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/A00845/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/A00845/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/A00845/apply
Email: awards@sl.nsw.gov.au **Phone:** (02) 9273 1767

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Next Gen Arts Grant

Funding Provider
Regional Arts WA

Location
WA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19554

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
- School
- Not-for-Profit
- Business
- Local Govt
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
$5,000

Rounds
Opens **12 Jan 2026** Closes **20 Feb 2026**

Purpose

The Next Gen Arts grant program provides funding to support the employment of regional artists in delivering engaging arts activities for young people aged 12 to 18 living in regional areas.

Overview

It aims to increase access to quality youth arts activities, support employment of regional artists, grow arts connections between regions and add to the liveability of regional communities.

Next Gen Arts support youth-focused activities like:

- Art workshops & masterclasses
- School holiday programs
- After-school creative sessions
- Community events & productions

Your project can explore any artistic medium, including:

- Dance & Theatre
- Music & Spoken Word
- Visual Art & Photography
- Film & Animation
- Street Art & New Media
- Costume Design & Textiles

Funding can cover the following project expenses:

- Artist and/or artsworker fees
- Artist and/or artsworker travel costs
- Materials
- Venue and/or equipment hire (for individual applicants only)

All other costs for the project must be covered by the applicant. This grant can be used to supplement other funding sources supporting the project, but it must be directed to the eligible budget items outlined above.

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Limitations

Any regionally-based organisation or individual artist offering activities for young people aged 12-18.

Eligible organisations may include community resource centres, local governments, youth centres, and arts organisations.

Individual practicing artists and arts educators from any discipline are also encouraged to apply. Schools may submit applications for non-curricular activities that take place outside of regular school hours.

All applicants must live in Regional WA.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19554/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19554/guidelines

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19554/apply
Email: investment@regionalartswa.org.au

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North Queensland Production Incentive

Funding Provider
Screen Queensland

Location
Etheridge
Burke
Cassowary Coast
Torres
Cook
Hinchinbrook
Charters Towers
Carpentaria
Torres Strait Island
Tablelands
Douglas
Townsville
Mareeba
Palm Island
Burdekin
Croydon

Funding Type
Cash Grant G15538

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
- Individual
- Business

Funding
$300,000

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Screen Queensland's North Queensland Production Incentive attracts footloose productions to North Queensland with funding of up to $300,000 allowing producers to take advantage of the diverse and unique locations that fill the region.

Overview

The incentive supports screen production in the North Queensland region, securing job and training opportunities for local above and below-the-line practitioners while increasing regional economic expenditure and stimulating wider business and tourism benefits for regional communities.

Eligible projects include scripted feature films or series, documentary feature films or series, factual entertainment series (including reality).

Ineligible projects include sports and current affairs programs, short films (less than 60 minutes), community television and student films.

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Projects must be fully financed at the time of application.

The incentive is designed as an uplift (or 'top up') to other Screen Queensland funding programs including Screen Finance, and the Production Attraction and the Post Digital and Visual Effects (PDV) incentives. However, eligible applications for stand-alone funding through the North Queensland Production Incentive will be accepted.

It is only applicable to productions filming in the North Queensland region as strictly defined by the following regions:

Cairns Regional Council, Townsville City, Charters Towers, Palm Island Aboriginal Shire, Burdekin Shire, Hinchinbrook Shire, Douglas Shire, Torres Shire, Torres Strait Island Regional, Cook Shire, Mareeba Shire, Cassowary Coast Regional, Tablelands Regional, Etheridge Shire, Croydon Shire, Carpentaria Shire and Burke Shire.

Limitations

This incentive program is open to all Australian and international producers, production companies and studios with screen projects that:

- spend more than $500,000 of Qualifying Regional Expenditure (QRE) in North Queensland and Far North Queensland
- film in North Queensland for a minimum of 10 business days (i.e. physical production not pre or post)
- employ North Queensland Resident(s) (as many above-the-line and below-the-line screen practitioners on the projectas practicable)
- contract to hire Screen Queensland Studios, Cairns facilities, if practicable
- offer a substantial on-set training attachment opportunity to emerging North Queensland Resident screen practitioner/s above and below the line.
    - up to $150K incentive = 1 Attachment, or similar; $151-300K incentive = 2 Attachments, or similar

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G15538/info

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G15538/apply
Email: content@screenqld.com.au **Phone:** 07 3248 0500

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Northern Territory Art Awards - 2026

Funding Provider
Darwin Visual Arts

Location
NT

Funding Type
Award A00842

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **9 Mar 2026**

Purpose

The Awards showcase the extraordinary talent of artists and crafts practitioners across the Northern Territory.

Overview

Entries for this award welcome artists throughout the Northern Territory at all stages of their careers and across all mediums.

Selected artworks will be exhibited in Darwin during May 2026, artworks will be judged by an independent panel and feature monetary prizes.

Artists must submit a fully completed online application form.

(Applications that have not been paid for will not be reviewed.)

- $55 per entry

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- $45 for DVA members or concession

Concession rates apply to applicants who are 60+, under 18, or hold a valid concession card.

Payment Details (Direct Transfer):

Account Name: DVA, BSB: 633 000, Account Number: 157 098 039

Reference: NTA [Artist Name]

Limitations

Residency Requirement: Participants must currently reside in the Northern Territory and be a Northern Territory Resident for more than 12 months, from the application closing date.

Eligibility to Enter:

Artists under 18 may enter, but their works will be judged alongside adult submissions. A parent or guardian is required to complete the application form for anyone under 18 years of age.

Definition of Artist: The term "artist" may refer to an individual, collaboration, or group. The submitted entry must be created solely by the named artist or artists.

Originality: Entries must be original artworks created by the entrant(s).

Timeframe: Artworks must have been completed within the last two years of the application closing date, and must not have been exhibited at a selected award exhibition.

Submission Limit: Artists may submit one entry.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/A00842/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/A00842/apply
Email: awardcoordinator@gmail.com

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On-Demand Production Fund

Funding Provider
ScreenWest

Location
WA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19062

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Business
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
$100,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

This fund provides grant finance to produce online series or one-off XR projects that will be made in Western Australia. Its objective is to develop talent and promote innovation in the Western Australian screen industry.

Funding Available Up to 50% of the total production budget, capped at $100,000 per project. Funding is not automatic, even if an applicant meets all the criteria.

Overview

Funding applications may be submitted at any time. Screenwest encourages applications from First Nations and people from historically under-represented groups.

Limitations

Applicant / Company Eligibility The applicant / company must:

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1. Be a Western Australian Resident Producer or Western Australian Resident Company as defined in the Screenwest Terms of Trade.
2. Meet the general eligibility requirements as set out in the Screenwest Terms of Trade.

The project must:

1. Be an online series or one-off XR project intended for public access on a screen-based device.
2. Have a current letter of intent or deal memo from a bonafide distributor, exhibitor or major online/digital content provider accompanied by a strong distribution strategy.
3. Spend at least 75% of the total budget as Qualifying Western Australian Expenditure (QWAE).
4. Have a resident Western Australian Resident key creative team as defined in the Screenwest Terms of Trade. In exceptional circumstances applications that fall outside the above criteria will be considered if the applicant can demonstrate the project is significantly aligned with Screenwest's strategic plan.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19062/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19062/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19062/apply
Email: info@screenwest.com.au **Phone:** (08) 6169 2100

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Post Production, Digital and Visual Effects (PDV) Rebate

Funding Provider
South Australian Film Corporation (SAFC)

Location
SA

Funding Type
Rebate G08063

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

This rebate supports eligible productions spending over $250,000 on post production, digital and visual effects work undertaken in South Australia.

Overview

This incentive aims to develop the South Australian post production, digital and visual effects sector by complementing the Australian Federal Government's Australian Screen Production Incentive Producer Offset (40%) and PDV Offset (30%) streams

What is on offer?

A rebate equivalent to 10% of approved expenditure on post-production, digital and visual effects work undertaken in South Australia on an Eligible Project, subject to available funds.

For more information, including eligibility requirements, evaluation criteria and application instructions, please refer to the current guidelines.

Key dates

Applications can be made at any time.

Please note that SAFC Board dates may be subject to change at the SAFC's discretion. Applicants can check latest Board dates and deadlines here.

Note that projects also applying for Screen Production funding are subject to those deadlines.

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Limitations

Eligibility?

Applications must meet all the following eligibility requirements:

- Eligible Applicant: any producer or co-producer credited on the project and able to demonstrate they own or control the necessary rights to produce the project and/or an eligible applicant under the Federal PDV Offset, and/or any bona fide South Australian resident company providing post- production digital and visual effects services on the project.
- Eligible Project: any project eligible under the SAFC General Guidelines and Terms of Trade and in an eligible format under the Federal PDV Offset (regardless of content platform).
- Expenditure Threshold: Qualifying Expenditure on Qualifying Tasks of at least $250,000 on the Eligible Project.
- Qualifying Tasks: those post-production digital and visual effects tasks eligible under the Federal PDV Offset.
- Qualifying Expenditure: Qualifying Australian Production Expenditure (QAPE) incurred and retained in South Australia (SA PDV QAPE).

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G08063/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G08063/guidelines

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G08063/apply
Contact: Julia Light
Email: programs@safilm.com.au **Phone:** 08 8394 2012

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Post, Digital and Visual Effects (PDV) Rebate

Funding Provider
Screen NSW

Location
NSW

Funding Type
Rebate U00470

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Business

Funding
$50,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Screen NSW's Post, Digital and Visual Effects Rebate supports companies and practitioners carrying out PDV work in NSW.

Overview

The NSW Government offers a 10% rebate of qualifying expenditure on Post, Digital & Visual Effects (PDV) work carried out in NSW on or later than 1 October 2019 (“the Rebate”).

To be eligible, projects must be registered with Screen NSW. Only work undertaken after the date of registration will count as qualifying NSW PDV Expenditure.

The Rebate complements the Australian Government’s PDV, Producer and Location Offsets, and Location Incentive. It may be stacked with any of those incentives. These guidelines should be read in conjunction with the Australian Government’s guidelines and glossary for the PDV Offset.

The Rebate is administered by Screen NSW, within the State’s arts, screen and culture agency, Create NSW, under the financial auspices of the Department of Creative Industries, Tourism, Hospitality and Sport (DCITHS).

The objectives of the program are:

- To grow the State’s reputation as a leading and globally competitive screen production and PDV centre, known for its innovation and excellence
- To increase business activity for the NSW PDV sector

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- To promote investment in infrastructure, skills development, and jobs of the future
- To attract footloose PDV projects to NSW (projects that have a post#production, digital effects or VFX destination alternative).

- Funding amount: From $50,000
- Applications opened for FY24/25: 1 July 2024
- Applications close for FY24/25: 30 June 2025

Limitations

To be eligible for the Rebate, the following criteria must be met:

- The applicant must be an eligible entity
- The project must be an eligible format
- A project's qualifying NSW PDV expenditure must meet or exceed the AU$500,000 minimum NSW spend threshold
- The applicant must submit an application to Screen NSW. Only PDV related activities performed on or after the date an application is submitted will be eligible for the Rebate.
- The applicant must not be in breach of any obligation under any funding agreement it has with the State including under this Rebate program.

To be eligible for the Rebate the applicant must:

- Have an Australian Business Number (ABN)
- Be the company that is either carrying out or is responsible for making the arrangements for the carrying out of all the activities in NSW that are related to the post, digital and visual effects for the project.

The applicant may be:

- An NSW PDV company
- An Australian producer not otherwise ineligible under this clause
- An international producer or studio
- A Special Purpose Vehicle (SPV).

Please note, only one company can apply for the Rebate for a particular project.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00470/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00470/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00470/apply
Contact: Anna Cho
Email: anna.cho@screen.nsw.gov.au

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Post-Production, Digital & Visual Effects Incentive (WA)

Funding Provider
ScreenWest

Location
WA

Funding Type
Rebate U00264

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Business

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The WA PDV Incentive offers post-production grant funding to screen projects that use Western Australian post-production, digital and visual effects services.

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Overview

The incentive is calculated at 20% of the Qualifying Western Australian PDV Expenditure (PDV QWAE). The final incentive amount will be determined upon delivery.

The WA PDV incentive can be combined with the Australian Federal Government's Australian Screen Production Incentive Producer Offset (40% or 30%), Location Offset (30%) and PDV Offset (30%).

Limitations

Eligibility:

Applicant/Company Eligibility:

The applicant/ company must:

1. Be a company with the rights to produce the project, or Be a company engaged to facilitate or provide PDV services on eligible projects.
2. Meet the applicable general eligibility requirements of the Screenwest Terms of Trade.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00264/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00264/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00264/apply
Contact: Chris Veerhuis
Email: chris.veerhuis@screenwest.com.au **Phone:** 08 6169 2118

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Prime Minister's Literary Awards

Funding Providers
Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communications, Sport and the Arts
Creative Australia

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Award A00851

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
Amount: $5,000 to $80,000
Total Pool: $600,000

Rounds
Closes **3 Feb 2026**

Purpose

The Prime Minister’s Literary Awards were established in 2008. They recognise individual excellence, and the contribution Australian authors make to the nation’s cultural and intellectual life.

Overview

This is an annual Award which accepts books **published in the previous calendar year**. Entries are sought for books of high literary merit, and in the case of the Prime Minister’s Prize for Australian History, outstanding works of scholarly accomplishment that contribute significantly to an understanding of Australian history.

The Prime Minister’s Literary Awards are the richest literary prize in the nation, with a tax-free prize pool of $600,000 in recognition of the outstanding literary talents of established and emerging Australian writers, illustrators, poets, and historians.

Awards are presented in six categories: fiction, non-fiction, young adult literature, children’s literature, poetry and Australian history. Up to $100,000 will be awarded in each category—$80,000 for the winning entry and $5,000 each for a maximum of four shortlisted entries. All prizes are tax-free.

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Works may be entered by publishers, literary agents, authors or, in the case of the Australian History category only, producers or broadcasters. The person submitting the entry must ensure that the author or producer's consent is obtained before entering the work.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/A00851/info
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/A00851/apply
Email: PMLiteraryAwards@creative.gov.au **Phone:** 1800 707 889

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Producer Offset

Funding Provider
Screen Australia

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Rebate U00234

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Business
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Producer Offset is a refundable tax offset (rebate) for producers of Australian feature films, television and other projects.

Overview

It's underpinned by income tax legislation, it represents a source of funds for producers of eligible Australian projects.

The Australian Government will remove the 20% above the line cap from the Producer Offset. This will remove the restrictions placed on Australian producers when using major creative talent. It also aligns the Producer Offset with the Location Offset now that the Location Offset rebate rate will be increased to 30 per cent.

This will support local screen producers, including children's content producers, by modernising the Producer Offset and allowing local producers better access to top-tier Australian talent.

The Australian Government will also remove minimum length requirements for most formats under the Producer Offset.

Limitations

To be eligible for the Producer Offset, an applicant must be either:

- an Australian resident company, being:
- a company incorporated in Australia; or
- if not incorporated in Australia, a company having its central management and control (CMC) in Australia, or its voting power controlled by shareholders who are residents of Australia. (Taxation Rule TR 2018/5 and PCG 2018/9 provides guidance for when a foreign incorporated company is an Australian tax resident); or
- a foreign resident company with an ABN operating through a permanent establishment in Australia. (Taxation ruling TR 2002/5, as amended by TR 2002/5A, 5A2 and 5A3, provides guidance about whether a foreign resident company has a place at or through which it carries on business for the purposes of the definition of 'permanent establishment').
- Individuals, partnerships, sole traders and a company which is acting in the capacity of a trustee of a trust are ineligible for the Producer Offset.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00234/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00234/guidelines

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Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00234/apply
Email: POCU@screenaustralia.gov.au **Phone:** +61 2 8113 1042

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Production Attraction Incentive Program

Funding Providers
Screen Territory
Department of Industry, Tourism and Trade (NT)

Location
NT

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19201

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Business

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **17 May 2026**

Purpose

To contribute to production finance of screen projects with the aim to attract footloose and fully financed screen projects to undertake production in the Northern Territory.

Overview

This incentive program is open to all Australian and international producers, production companies and studios with screen projects that:

- Are spending a minimum of AU$2 million on qualifying Northern Territory Production Expenditure in the Northern Territory (exceptions may be considered in prior discussion with Screen Territory).
- Are footloose (i.e. are international or Australia productions that are not already lock in to production in the Northern Territory).
- Have evidence of genuine marketplace interest for commercial release or distribution.
- Are engaging screen industry practitioners in meaningful employment, including attachments, who are Northern Territory residents as per the definition in the Screen Territory Terms of Trade

The incentive amount will be at the discretion of Screen Territory and is subject to the availability of funding at the time of application. The incentive is calculated as a percentage of the qualifying Northern Territory expenditure. Applications for a Production Attraction Incentive must be approved by Screen Territory prior to the commencement of production. Funding cannot be sought retrospectively. An application will be considered to be retrospective if production has already commenced.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19201/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19201/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19201/apply
Email: screen.territory@nt.gov.au **Phone:** 08 8999 6302

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Professional Development grant

Funding Provider
CreateSA

Location
SA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19691

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **2 Feb 2026 5pm**

Purpose

This grant supports the professional development of individual, independent artists and arts workers to undertake skills development and training that is relevant to their arts practice or professional practice.

Overview

What you can apply for:

- mentoring
- short courses, including arts related business courses
- work placement
- masterclasses
- workshops
- attendance at conferences
- arts residencies
- attachment to festivals or arts organisations, internships.

In the case of arts residency, the host organisation is expected to make a significant contribution towards your placement.

Limitations

- Independent artists and arts workers (individuals and groups) can apply.
- Small-to-medium organisations and major organisations can only apply to host an artist-in-residence to benefit a cohort of artists.

Artists and arts workers employed (at least 0.6 FTE) by funded organisations require a financial contribution of a minimum of 30% of total activity cost to be made by the organisation if the activity relates to their employment.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19691/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19691/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19691/apply
Email: CreateSAGrants@sa.gov.au **Phone:** (08) 8463 5444

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Project Development Funding

Funding Provider
Australian Children's Television Foundation

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G01843

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- University
- Individual

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The ACTF provides funding and support to independent producers and writers of quality children's programs. By helping these people develop new children's programs, we remain true to our goal of creating programs that children, parents and educators can rely on to be engaging, entertaining, accessible, creative and innovative.

Overview

ACTF assess the project against a range of criteria, including:

- The originality and quality of the story
- The experience of the team behind it
- Its potential to engage with young audiences.

Although overall quality is our primary consideration in assessing a project, we also seek to encourage:

- Diverse stories, voices and faces
- An Australian voice and point of view
- Innovative use of new and emerging media platforms
- Bringing new and emerging producers to the industry, while harnessing the skills of experienced producers
- Works that address gaps in content/genre/age groups.

In every project they provide funding for, they ensure that it is produced to the highest standards. They do this by including creative input and regular consultation as a condition of our investment.

Levels of Development funding

ACTF will only fund one stage of development on any project at a time. To develop a feel for the levels of funding and stages of development that we have previously funded, please look at the funding section of the ACTF website.

Potential applicants are required to read the Project Development Funding Guidelines and discuss their project with a member of the ACTF Development team before applying for development funding.

Limitations

Applicants should permanently reside in Australia or be Australian citizens. If the applicant is a company, it should be incorporated in Australia and have Australian-based management and control. We may require a personal company director's guarantee when contracting with companies.

We require all applicants to provide an Australian Business Number (ABN).

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G01843/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G01843/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G01843/apply
Address: Australian Children?s Television Foundation 3rd Floor 145 Smith Street FITZROY 3065 VIC
Email: applications@actf.com.au **Phone:** (03) 9200 5500

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Project development

Funding Providers
Screen Tasmania
Department of State Growth (TAS)

Location
TAS

Funding Type
Cash Grant G08332

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$30,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The grant program is designed to support productions that benefit the Tasmanian screen production industry.

Overview

There are four categories of funding within the Guidelines for this program. These are:

- Short-form series booster – grant up to $25,000
- Intermediate stage funding – recoupable grant up to $20,000
- Market attached funding – recoupable grant up to $30,000
- Slate development - recoupable grant up to $30,000

Through this program, Screen Tasmania aims to drive projects towards securing additional market finance and a production outcome, to increase work for Tasmanian screen practitioners and share Tasmanian stories with audiences. Screen Tasmania reserves the right to vary these guidelines as necessary. In exceptional circumstances, Screen Tasmania also reserves the right to waive some requirements.

Projects eligible for support include live action or animation for adults and children:

- one-off projects such as feature films and telemovies (drama or documentary)
- multi-episode long-form scripted projects (series and miniseries)
- factual projects, including documentary (series and stand-alone one-offs), and
- short form scripted and factual projects for online platforms.

Under this program, Screen Tasmania can provide funding for two stages of a project's development process, across four categories. In most instances, applicants may only receive funding once per stage. In all cases, a proportion of the development budget is for an experienced script editor or creative producer to assist in the development process. Screen Tasmania can help identify such a person, if needed.

Funding is delivered as a recoupable grant at a level that matches the format, the development plan, and the nature of market interest in the project.

Applicants must speak to Screen Tasmania's Development Manager to discuss their project before submitting an application. Please call the Screen Tasmania offices to arrange an appointment on (03) 6165 5070.

This is a rolling program and applications will be considered at any closing date. Funding for each of the three categories must be made individually.

Limitations

An applicant must:

- be, or have attached to the project, a Tasmanian key creative such as a writer, producer or director (expatriate and non-Tasmanians should refer to the General Guidelines for eligibility details)
- be, or have attached to the project in a key creative role, an experienced practitioner as defined in the General Guidelines (short-form series must at minimum have an emerging practitioner), and
- have control of copyright of the project as defined in the General Guidelines.
- For Market-attached and Slate Development, documented evidence of marketplace attachment, including the level of financial support, must be provided.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G08332/info

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Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G08332/guidelines

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G08332/apply
Email: evan.maloney@screen.tas.gov.au **Phone:** (03) 6165 5070

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Projects - Independent Artists and Groups

Funding Provider
CreateSA

Location
SA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19555

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **2 Feb 2026 5pm**

Purpose

This grant supports the development, production and presentation of new works by independent artists and groups across all art forms.

Overview

Development of new work might involve periods in the studio or rehearsal room or working with other artists. Applicants may seek assistance towards various stages of the work's development, with or without a public outcome. Research projects are eligible if the applicant has a track record of achievement.

Independent artists may apply to tour an established work or exhibition through this category.

Funded activity may include playwriting, dramaturgy, creative development, manuscript draft and development and making work in the studio.

Limitations

Who can apply

- independent artists and groups
- groups of professional practicing artists (who may or may not be incorporated) and who are not in receipt of annual or multi-year government funding.

Who is ineligible

- funded organisations: small-to-medium organisations, major organisations
- organisations funded through the National Performing Arts Partnership Framework (NPAPF) formerly known as Major Performing Arts (MPA) Companies
- Statutory Authorities.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19555/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19555/guidelines

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19555/apply
Email: ASAGrants@sa.gov.au

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Public Art - Royal Hobart Hospital Emergency Department

Funding Providers
Department of State Growth (TAS)
Arts Tasmania

Location
TAS

Funding Type
Contract Or Tender T00052

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Business
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
$55,000

Rounds
Closes **19 Jan 2026 11:59 pm**

Purpose

Arts Tasmania and the Department of Health invite applications from Tasmanian artists to create a dynamic and engaging mural near the entrance to the Paediatrics Emergency Department area at the Royal Hobart Hospital.

Overview

The mural artwork will improve and brighten the semi-undercover area and be a significant feature for staff, patients and visitors entering and exiting the Emergency Department.

The area for the outdoor mural is approximately 55 metres long by 3 metres high. Artists may design artwork to cover part or all the available wall. Anti-graffiti coating is not required for this commission.

The artwork should:

- be welcoming and broadly appealing to a wide audience
- brighten and improve the semi undercover area
- improve the entry and exit experience of patients, family members and staff
- be engaging and scaled to work with the other design elements.

The artwork budget will cover all costs, including artist fees, development, materials and implementation.

Limitations

Applicants to Arts Tasmania grant and funding programs must be:

- individual artists and arts workers who have lived in Tasmania for six of the last 12 months
- groups of artists or arts workers with at least one Tasmania member
- Tasmanian organisations that are registered under law (an incorporated association, or a company limited by guarantee) or created by law (a government statutory authority).

Organisations not based in Tasmania may be eligible for some grant programs for support towards activities that benefit Tasmanian artists and/or audiences.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/T00052/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/T00052/guidelines

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/T00052/apply
Contact: Mish Meijers
Email: mish.meijers@arts.tas.gov.au **Phone:** 03 6165 6672

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Public Art and Design Grant

Funding Provider
CreateSA

Location
SA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19784

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- State Govt
- Business
- Local Govt
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
$15,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **2 Feb 2026**

Purpose

This grant supports the concept development and commissioning of small-scale public art projects by professional practicing South Australian artists.

Overview

Projects in the public realm may be functional or non-functional, permanent or temporary. They may be undertaken through a collaborative approach between artists and other design professionals or may be realised with the involvement of community members, either through consultation or participation.

In this category, organisations can apply for two types of project activity:

- concept development by artists
- commissioning of new public art works for presentation in high-profile and accessible locations in South Australia.

For commissioning applications, the applicant must commit to funding a minimum of 50% (cash or in-kind) of the total project implementation budget. Industry best practice should be demonstrated in the selection of artists (for example, by open call). Where a limited call or direct selection process has been used, a clear rationale must be articulated in the application.

Limitations

Who can apply:

- local government
- State Government Departments and Agencies and Statutory Authorities
- funded organisations: small-to-medium organisations, major organisations
- organisations funded through the National Performing Arts Partnership Framework (NPAPF) formerly known as Major Performing Arts (MPA) Companies
- community groups

Please note: the private sector is eligible for financial assistance only when in partnership with an eligible applicant, but not directly. The private sector may obtain advice on the commissioning of public art works.

Who is ineligible:

- individual artists

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19784/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19784/guidelines

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19784/apply
Email: CreateSAGrants@sa.gov.au **Phone:** +61 8 8363 8670

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Queer Screen Completion Fund

Funding Provider
Queer Screen

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19665

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$10,000

Rounds
Closes **4 Jan 2026 Non-members**
Closes **11 Jan 2026 Members**

Purpose

The fund offers Australian LGBTIQ+ filmmakers much needed financial support to assist with final production expenses on feature films, documentaries and web series that address the lives and stories of people of diverse gender and sexualities.

Overview

The Queer Screen Completion Fund was established in 2015 and has awarded $172,000 in funding since.

They will consider applications for **finishing**, **marketing** and/or **accessibility inclusion** (e.g. closed/open captions, audio description) funds for:

- Narrative feature films (70 minutes or longer)
- Documentary films (60 minutes or longer)
    - *Alternate-length versions for TV, education, or other platforms are permitted.*

Round 12 will award up to $10,000 and is accepting applications until Sunday 4 January 2026 for non-members and Sunday 11 January 2026 for Queer Screen Members.

Limitations

Funding requirements:

- Applicants must be Australian citizens
- The Director or Producer must be an Australian Citizen
- A key member of the creative team (Director/Writer/Producer) must be a member of the LGBTIQ+ community
- Applicants must act in good faith at all times and be honest in all dealings with Queer Screen and not intentionally mislead the organisation
- Applicants must keep Queer Screen apprised of any significant changes to the project.
- Queer Screen will require a single card credit with Queer Screen logo in credits
- Courtesy consultation during final edit stages
- Queer Screen will have the option of one public screening of the project once completed with no screening fee or box office split payable
- EPK including production stills & posters for publicity for archive purposes

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Email
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19665/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19665/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19665/apply
Email: filmmakers@queerscreen.org.au

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RAF - Project Grants (SA)

Funding Providers
Regional Arts Australia
Country Arts SA

Location
SA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G17989

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- School
- Individual
- Local Govt
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
$30,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Opens **2 Feb 2026** Closes **16 Mar 2026**

Last Round
Closed **18 Aug 2025**

Purpose

Project grants fund high-quality projects benefitting regional or remote artists, arts workers, audiences and communities.

Overview

Focus of the project can include any area of creative practice, multiple artforms or cross-disciplinary practice.

Project Grant funds may be spent on:

- Artist Fees
- Travel costs (including international)
- Materials
- Venue Hire
- Equipment Hire
- Insurance
- Project administration costs
- Disability access costs

Please check with a Country Arts SA Grants officer for eligibility of other expenditure not listed here.

Limitations

To be eligible you must:

- be an individual or Australian incorporated organisation or local government organisation
- have an active Australian Business Number (ABN) that is registered to your name and location
- if required by the Australian Tax Office, be registered for the purposes of GST
- not have any outstanding reports, acquittals or serious breaches relating to any Australian Government funding or funding from a state or territory Regional Program Administrator. A serious breach is one that has resulted in, or warrants, the termination of a grant agreement.

Unincorporated groups are eligible for funding if auspiced by an organisation that meets the above criteria. See Section 7.1 of the guidelines for details on applying through an auspicing body.

If you are under 18, you must be auspiced by a person over 18 with an active ABN. Schools are only eligible to apply if they are located in a very remote area (MM 7) as defined using the Modified Monash Model. If you are uncertain whether your organisation or grant activity is eligible please contact the Regional Program Administrator prior to submitting your application.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G17989/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G17989/guidelines

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G17989/apply
Email: grants@countryarts.org.au

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RAF - Quick Response Grant NSW

Funding Providers
Regional Arts Australia
Regional Arts (NSW)

Location
NSW

Funding Type
Cash Grant G01731

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
- School
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Local Govt
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
$5,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Quick Response Grants offer funding for regional artists, arts organisations and communities to respond to unique arts opportunities that present themselves at very short notice.

Overview

You can apply for Quick Response Grants up to $3,000 for individuals and $5,000 for organisations. There is no minimum grant amount. Assessors will make decisions around funding allocated to successful applicants, taking into consideration the quantum of funds available in the individual state/territory. In exceptional circumstances, applicants located in very remote areas may be permitted to apply for larger grants.

Please note: There are no rounds in December and January.

Limitations

Who is eligible to apply for a grant?

To be eligible you must:

- be an individual or Australian incorporated organisation or local government organisation
- have an active Australian Business Number (ABN) that is registered to your name and location
- if required by the Australian Tax Office, be registered for the purposes of GST
- not have any outstanding reports, acquittals or serious breaches relating to any Australian Government funding or funding from a state or territory Regional Program Administrator. A serious breach is one that has resulted in, or warrants, the termination of a grant agreement.

Unincorporated groups are eligible for funding if auspiced by an organisation that meets the above criteria. If you are under 18, you must be auspiced by a person over 18 with an active ABN.

Schools are only eligible to apply if they are located in a very remote area (MM 7) as defined using the Modified Monash Model.

If you are uncertain whether your organisation or project is eligible please contact the Regional Program Administrator prior to submitting your application.

Who is not eligible to apply for a grant?

You are not eligible to apply if you are:

- an unincorporated organisation not auspiced by an organisation that meets the eligibility criteria
- a for profit company
- an organisation or individual based outside of regional or remote Australia (see below 5.2 Eligible Locations)
- an Australian Government or state government entity (except for schools in very remote areas (MM 7))
- a Regional Program Administrator or a Regional Program Administrator employee directly involved in the delivery of the Regional Arts Fund
- for Quick Response Grants, an individual or organisation who has already received a Regional Arts Fund Quick Response Grant in the same financial year
- for Project Grants, an individual or organisation who has already received a Regional Arts Fund Project Grant in the same financial year
- for Project Grants, an individual or organisation who has already received multi-year funding for a Regional Arts Fund Project Grant taking place in the same financial year

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Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G01731/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G01731/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G01731/apply
Email: funding@regionalartsnsw.com.au **Phone:** 02 9270 2500

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RAF - Quick Response Grant NT - 2025

Funding Providers
Regional Arts Australia
Northern Territory Arts Fund

Location
NT

Funding Type
Cash Grant G16150

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
- School
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Local Govt
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
$5,000

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The RAF Quick Response Grant category supports creativity, innovation, participation and access to cultural activities which contribute to the sustainable cultural, social and economic capacity and wellbeing of individuals and community.

Overview

Quick Response Grants are for small arts projects, professional development for artists and arts workers, and community capacity building projects.

Quick Response Grants will fund professional development opportunities for artists and arts workers or small project opportunities. The program supports immediate need that arises where the activity is unable to be planned for or supported in other funding rounds, for example taking up professional development, skills development or small project opportunities at short notice.

You can apply for Quick Response Grants up to $3,000 for individuals and $5,000 for organisations. There is no minimum grant amount.

Quick Response Grants are delivered each year from February to November, and are batched for assessment at the end of each month. Projects must commence between 2 and 12 weeks from the closing date of the round you are applying in.

Limitations

Eligibility criteria

Who is eligible to apply for a grant?

To be eligible you must:

- be an individual or Australian incorporated organisation or local government organisation
- have an active Australian Business Number (ABN) that is registered to your name and location
- if required by the Australian Tax Office, be registered for the purposes of GST
- not have any outstanding reports, acquittals or serious breaches relating to any Australian Government funding or funding from a state or territory Regional Program Administrator. A serious breach is one that has resulted in, or warrants, the termination of a grant agreement.

Unincorporated groups are eligible for funding if auspiced by an organisation that meets the above criteria. If you are under 18, you must be auspiced by a person over 18 with an active ABN.

Schools are only eligible to apply if they are located in a very remote area (MM 7) as defined using the Modified Monash Model.

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If you are uncertain whether your organisation or project is eligible please contact the Regional Program Administrator prior to submitting your application.

Who is not eligible to apply for a grant?

You are not eligible to apply if you are:

- an unincorporated organisation not auspiced by an organisation that meets the eligibility criteria
- a for profit company
- an organisation or individual based outside of regional or remote Australia (see below 5.2 Eligible Locations)
- an Australian Government or state government entity (except for schools in very remote areas (MM 7))
- a Regional Program Administrator or a Regional Program Administrator employee directly involved in the delivery of the Regional Arts Fund
- for Quick Response Grants, an individual or organisation who has already received a Regional Arts Fund Quick Response Grant in the same financial year
- for Project Grants, an individual or organisation who has already received a Regional Arts Fund Project Grant in the same financial year
- for Project Grants, an individual or organisation who has already received multi-year funding for a Regional Arts Fund Project Grant taking place in the same financial year

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G16150/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G16150/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G16150/apply
Contact: Northern Territory Regional Arts
Email: info@ntraf.org.au **Phone:** (08) 8961 9005

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RAF - Quick Response Grant QLD

Funding Providers
Regional Arts Australia
Flying Arts Alliance (QLD)

Location
QLD

Funding Type
Cash Grant G08885

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- School
- Individual
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
$5,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Quick Response Grants aim to support small arts or cultural projects that cannot be funded by other means because of their nature or timing.

Overview

For example, you may wish to attend a workshop or complete a project within a certain time frame and cannot access appropriate funding through any other means.

Please note that you will be expected to detail why your project cannot be funded through other means as part of your application.

This type of grant would also suit individual professional development.

This grant is for regional artists, arts organisations and communities.

Funding applications for up to $3,000 for individuals and up to $5,000 for organisations are available through this grant program.

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Please note: Quick Response Grants will be administered as a competitive round open on the first day of each month from February to November. There are no rounds in December or January.

Limitations

Who is eligible to apply for a grant?

To be eligible you must:

- be an individual or Australian incorporated organisation or local government organisation
- have an active Australian Business Number (ABN) that is registered to your name and location
- if required by the Australian Tax Office, be registered for the purposes of GST
- not have any outstanding reports, acquittals or serious breaches relating to any Australian Government funding or funding from a state or territory Regional Program Administrator. A serious breach is one that has resulted in, or warrants, the termination of a grant agreement.

Unincorporated groups are eligible for funding if auspiced by an organisation that meets the above criteria.

If you are under 18, you must be auspiced by a person over 18 with an active ABN.

Schools are only eligible to apply if they are located in a very remote area (MM 7) as defined using the Modified Monash Model.

If you are uncertain whether your organisation or project is eligible please contact the Regional Program Administrator prior to submitting your application.

You are not eligible to apply if you are:

- an unincorporated organisation not auspiced by an organisation that meets the eligibility criteria
- a for profit company
- an organisation or individual based outside of regional or remote Australia
- an Australian Government or state government entity (except for schools in very remote areas (MM 7))
- a Regional Program Administrator or a Regional Program Administrator employee directly involved in the delivery of the Regional Arts Fund
- an individual or organisation who has already received a Regional Arts Fund Quick Response Grant in the same financial year

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G08885/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G08885/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G08885/apply
Email: rafengagement@flyingarts.org.au

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RAF - Quick Response Grant SA

Funding Providers
Regional Arts Australia
Country Arts SA

Location
SA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G07873

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Local Govt
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
$5,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

This grant aims to support regional artists to access professional arts development and training opportunities, or organisations/communities with small project opportunities that arise at short notice.

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Overview

Quick Response Grants are intended to assist regional artists, arts organisations and communities to take up professional skills development or small project opportunities. This program has been set up to be responsive to projects that fall outside the scope of other funding opportunities. Applicants must clearly explain why there is no other suitable funding program for their project.

Quick Response Grants are open 10 times each year during the following months: February, March, April, May, June, July, August, September, October and November. Applications must be submitted by 11:59pm on the last day of each month. Projects must commence between 4 to 12 weeks after the date you submit your application.

Individuals can apply for up to $3000 and organisations or community groups can apply for up to $5000. There is no minimum grant amount.

Limitations

Eligibility

Regional artists to access professional arts development and training opportunities, or organisations/community groups with small project opportunities that arise at short notice.

To be eligible you must:

- be an individual/sole trader, Australian incorporated organisation or local government organisation with an active Australian Business Number (ABN) registered to a regional South Australian location
- not have any outstanding reports, acquittals or serious breaches relating to any Australian Government funding
- not be based in metropolitan South Australia.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G07873/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G07873/guidelines

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G07873/apply
Email: grants@countryarts.org.au **Phone:** 0490 819 499

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RAF - Quick Response Grant TAS

Funding Providers
RANT Arts
Arts Tasmania

Location
TAS

Funding Type
Cash Grant G08186

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual

Funding
$5,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Regional Arts Fund is an Australian Government initiative supporting cultural activity in regional and remote Australia, the program is administered in the state by Arts Tasmania.

Overview

Quick Response Grants will fund professional development opportunities for artists and arts workers or small project opportunities. The program supports immediate need that arises where the activity is unable to be planned for or supported in other funding rounds, for example taking up professional development, skills development or small project opportunities at short notice.

You can apply for Quick Response Grants up to $3,000 for individuals and $5,000 for organisations.

Key dates

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The Quick Response Grant program is open 10 times each year during the following months: February, March, April, May, June, July, August, September, October and November. Applications submitted by 11:59pm on the last day of each month.

Limitations

Who can apply?

To be eligible you must:

- reside in Tasmania
- be an individual or Australian incorporated organisation or local government organisation
- have an active Australian Business Number (ABN) that is registered to your name and location
- if required by the Australian Tax Office, be registered for the purposes of GST
- not have any outstanding reports, acquittals or serious breaches relating to any Australian Government funding or funding from a state or territory Regional Program Administrator. A serious breach is one that has resulted in, or warrants, the termination of a grant agreement.

Unincorporated groups are eligible for funding if auspiced by an organisation that meets the above criteria. See guidelines for details on applying through an auspicing body.

If you are under 18, you must be auspiced by a person over 18 with an active ABN.

Schools are only eligible to apply if they are located in a very remote area (MM 7) as defined using the Modified Monash Model.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G08186/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G08186/guidelines

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G08186/apply
Email: grants@rantarts.com **Phone:** 6165 6664

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Ravenswood Australian Women's Art Prize

Funding Provider
Ravenswood School for Girls

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Award A00811

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
Amount: $1,000 to $35,000

Rounds
Closes **11 Feb 2026**

Purpose

The Ravenswood Australian Women's Art Prize is an annual acquisitive prize that was launched in 2017 to advance art and opportunity for emerging and established women artists in Australia.

Overview

The Ravenswood Australian Women's Art Prize is an annual acquisitive prize and exhibition supported and hosted by Ravenswood School for Girls. It aims to inspire, promote and connect generations of Australian women artists.

Artists may submit a maximum of two entries.

- Professional Artist Prize - $35,000 (acquisitive)
- Emerging Artist Prize, supported by the Reed Family Foundation - $7,500 (acquisitive)
- Indigenous Emerging Artist Prize, supported by the Guardian and Scarborough Foundation - $7,500 (acquisitive)
- People's Choice Award, supported by Edwina Palmer - $2,000 plus a $500 Derivan art pack
- Highly Commended Awards, - six $1,000 awards (two for each category)

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Limitations

The Ravenswood Australian Women's Art Prize (the Prize) is open to women artists resident in Australia during the twelve months preceding the closing date for entries and over the age of 18 years, including students, staff and former students of Ravenswood School for Girls (the School) and their respective families.

See funders guidelines for further terms and conditions of entry.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/A00811/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/A00811/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/A00811/apply
Email: artprize@ravenswood.nsw.edu.au

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Regional Filming Fund (RFF)

Funding Provider
Screen NSW

Location
NSW

Funding Type
Cash Grant G17998

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Business

Funding
Amount: Undisclosed to $175,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **30 Jun 2026 11pm**

Purpose

The Regional Filming Fund offsets costs associated with shooting in regional areas of NSW. Regional NSW is defined as all areas in NSW outside the Sydney Metro area.

Overview

Note: Due to the exhaustion of the program's budget, and while the program undergoes a review of its guidelines, the Regional Filming Fund is currently closed until further notice.

The objectives of the program are to:

- Increase economic activity in regional NSW, by encouraging NSW screen productions to film outside of metropolitan areas
- Enable regional NSW to benefit from the growth of film and television production in the State.

Eligible NSW Regional Spend expenses are limited to:

- Location fees
- Travel (for cast and crew traveling from other parts of NSW)
- Accommodation
- Per diems
- Local suppliers & services (e.g., construction contractors, security, traffic control, etc.)
- Catering
- Salaries for regionally based cast and crew.

Regional spend does not include any above-the-line expenses (including development expenses), indirect costs, company overheads and contingency.

Support is provided as a grant. The maximum grant per production is $175,000.

Limitations

Who is eligible?

Applicants must fulfil the following eligibility criteria:

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- The production must film on location in Regional NSW for a minimum of five shooting days in a single Local Government Area (LGA) (see LGA map).
- At least one of the Key Creatives must be NSW-based
- The production company must be registered in NSW and have its principal place of business in NSW unless the production has an eligible NSW Spend of at least $5 million
- The production must film on location in Regional NSW for a minimum of five shooting days
- At least 50% of the total budget must be expended in NSW
- Productions must be fully financed at the time of application, with the exception of contributions being sought from Screen NSW and other state, federal or international agencies
- (Note: we will only consider an application where those agencies have confirmed their contribution or if the application has been submitted to a funding round running concurrently with the Screen NSW round.)
- Productions that have been shortlisted for Screen Australia's Documentary Production
- Producer Program or Multi-Platform Drama Fund may apply
- Feature films must have distribution in place
- Television drama, narrative comedy and factual/documentary programs must have a financial commitment from a broadcaster, subscription service or distributor.

What isn't funded

We do not fund the development of:

- Infotainment, lifestyle, travel, magazine, sports, education, game shows and other magazine-style productions*
- Current affairs and news
- Community television
- Shorts, short features (under 60 minutes duration)
- Projects that are being produced as part of a course of study.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G17998/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G17998/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G17998/apply
Email: investment@screen.nsw.gov.au

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Regional Incentive

Funding Provider
Screen Queensland

Location
QLD

Funding Type
Cash Grant G11654

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Business
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
$100,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Regional Incentive attracts production to regional Queensland. The program is aimed at increasing the level of production, industry skill level and employment as well as screen industry activity in regional Queensland.

Overview

Screen Queensland's Regional Incentive aims to support the growth of the screen industry in regional Queensland (areas more than 150km outside of the major metropolitan hubs of Brisbane and the City of Gold Coast).

The Regional Incentive aims to:

- attract production to regional Queensland

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- showcase diverse regional stories and locations across Queensland
- give the 33% of Queenslanders who live outside the major cities the opportunity to see themselves and their perspectives on screen
- create employment opportunities for creatives, cast and crew living in regional areas, and from 2022
- target Cairns and North Queensland with a view to supporting the region's new production facility, **Screen Queensland Studios Cairns.**

Funding

The incentive will be up to 10% of Qualifying Regional Expenditure (QRE) in Queensland capped at $100,000.

Projects also applying through Screen Finance may also apply for a regional incentive of 5% of QRE capped at $100,000.

QRE is made up of:

- Fees paid to people who have been residents of the relevant regional area for at least six months prior to the application, and
- Expenditure with suppliers and businesses based in the relevant regional area.

Funding is in the form of a grant, payable **after** production has taken place and on delivery of a full audit of expenditure and acquittal of contracted delivery items.

Funding is competitive within a limited and highly targeted program.

Screen Queensland encourages applications from teams that will use the Screen Queensland Studios Cairns production facilities.

The program aims to deliver benefits to people from all backgrounds with a focus on diversity and inclusion to provide opportunities to all. Screen Queensland encourages applications from Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and people from all under-represented backgrounds.

Successful applicants agree to register the production to The Everyone Project (include link) and, with appropriate consent, provide the names, roles and contact details of the production, cast and crew so that they may be invited to participate in voluntary, de-identified demographic surveys.

Limitations

Who can apply?

When assessing your proposal we'll use the below criteria.

The Regional Incentive is open for applications to anyone who is producing a screen story in regional Queensland, and will

- Spend more than $100,000 of Qualifying Regional Expenditure (QRE) in regional Queensland
- Film in a regional location for a minimum of five days.

Eligible screen stories will include: fiction feature film or series, documentary feature film or series, factual entertainment series (including reality).

Ineligible screen stories include: sports and current affairs programs, short films (less than 60 minutes), community television, student films.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G11654/info

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G11654/apply
Email: content@screenqld.com.au **Phone:** 07 3248 0500

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Regional Museums Grants Program

Funding Provider
The Museum and Art Gallery of the Northern Territory (MAGNT)

Location
NT

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19603

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
Not-for-Profit

Funding
$50,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Opens **2 Feb 2026** Closes **2 Mar 2026 5pm ACST**

Purpose

The Regional Museums Grants Program supports the preservation, conservation and display of significant national and historical cultural material in the Northern Territory.

Overview

Regional museums, galleries and cultural centres in the NT are eligible to apply for funding of up to $50,000 per applicant, to develop, conserve, preserve or exhibit our unique cultural heritage.

Limitations

Who can apply?

Eligible organisations include regional museums, galleries and cultural centres in the NT who are:

- Legally constituted, incorporated and/or not-for-profit
- Committed to the preservation of cultural heritage by actively conserving, researching and interpreting collections for the NT community and their visitors
- Unincorporated bodies may apply with an administering body

Who can't apply?

- Individuals
- Private enterprise or for-profit business activities
- Northern Territory Government departments or statutory bodies
- Purchases or acquisition of objects or collections
- Fundraising or charitable events
- Establishing new museums, galleries and cultural centres
- Activities that are the exclusive responsibility of other funding bodies or government agencies
- Capital works or the restoration and maintenance of buildings
- Capital equipment or real estate purchases
- Operational staff salary and wages (unless directly related to the project)
- Insurance or utility costs, such as power and water

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19603/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19603/guidelines
Email: regionalmuseums@magnt.net.au **Phone:** (08) 8999 8204

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Regional Museums Quick Response Grant

Funding Provider
The Museum and Art Gallery of the Northern Territory (MAGNT)

Location
NT

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19385

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
$1,500
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **29 Jun 2026**

Purpose

The Regional Museums Quick Response Grant aims to support regional museums, galleries and cultural centres to develop, conserve, preserve or exhibit the unique cultural heritage of the Northern Territory.

Overview

The Quick Response Grant aims to support initiatives that require less funding, but are no less important, than major projects that require significant budgets. The aim of the grant is to fill a funding gap within Regional Museums by supporting projects that may not be included in annual grant applications.

Eligible activities may include installing interpretive displays, professional development and/or training for staff and/or volunteers or purchasing conservation materials.

Projects must be completed within 90 days of the grant funds being disbursed.

Applications are open throughout the financial year, or until all the funding has been allocated.

Limitations

This is a non-competitive grant program. Eligible applicants are encouraged to apply at any time while funding remains available.

Eligible organisations include those who are:

- • Regional museums, galleries and cultural centres in the NT
  • Legally constituted, incorporated and/or not-for-profit. Unincorporated bodies may apply with an administering body.
  • Committed to the preservation of cultural heritage by actively conserving, researching and interpreting collections for the NT community and their visitors.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19385/info
Email: regionalmuseums@magnt.net.au

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SPARK Short Film Initiative

Funding Provider
Department of Industry, Tourism and Trade (NT)

Location
NT

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19747

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
$40,000

Rounds
Closes **8 Feb 2026**

Purpose

The SPARK Short Film Initiative has become a highly anticipated program in the Northern Territory screen industry and this year it returns withthe theme: "In a Pickle"

Overview

In 2026, three successful SPARK recipients will be provided with $30,000 in production funding to produce a ten-minute short film, and will have the opportunity to work with an experienced Screen Industry Story Development Mentor and will be assigned an Executive Producer. Each film will also be provided with $10,000 of equipment rental from Panavision, one of world's premier camera and lens suppliers for the film and TV industry. Panavision, as part of their partnership will also provide a technical and creative consultation prior to the principal photography of each successful film.

Limitations

Eligibility

To be eligible to apply for the SPARK Short Film Initiative applicants must:

- Meet the Screen Territory Terms of Trade
- Not have any current outstanding acquittal with Screen Territory or any other Northern Territory Government Agency.
- The project's crew must be comprised of residents of the Northern Territory (NT) and proof of residency may be required to validate this

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19747/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19747/guidelines
Email: screen.territory@nt.gov.au

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Screen Industry Partnerships

Funding Provider
Screen Australia

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G16183

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Business

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

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Purpose

Screen Australia is now accepting applications for events, conferences and activities which exhibit unique benefits to the Australian screen industry.

Overview

These events must demonstrate an understanding of changes in audience engagement and how content is financed, made and delivered. Applications must demonstrate how they will have an impact on their audience/participants, or within their particular area of focus.

The aims of the program are to:

- create opportunities through new, original and inclusive approaches to the industry that will expand networks and grow the Australian screen industry
- support impactful events which are also evolving to be relevant to future audiences and the screen industry
- provide opportunities for professional development/business growth.

Screen Australia is interested in receiving applications from organisers of industry events which are innovative and forward-focused, with plans to engage practitioners in the rapidly changing screen sector.

Due to the limited nature of Screen Industry Partnership funding, applicants are required to discuss the scope and details of their proposal and confirm funding availability with Manager, Festivals and Industry Partnerships. Contact the Program Operations team on 1800 507 901 or industry@screenaustralia.gov.au.

Limitations

Applicants must meet the general eligibility criteria for Screen Australia funding in the Terms of Trade. In addition:

- Applicants must apply as an Australian company. Individuals or sole traders are not eligible to apply. An applicant company must be an incorporated company carrying on business in Australia, with its central management and control in Australia.
- To be eligible, events must:
    - be generally (or for new events, intend to be) annual or regular events such as conferences and markets; and
    - take place within Australia.
- Screen Australia will not provide funds to cover events or activities that have already taken place.
- This program is not intended for script or story development, nor for production activities

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G16183/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G16183/guidelines

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G16183/apply
Email: industry@screenaustralia.gov.au **Phone:** 1800 507 901

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Scripted Development Fund - Project Development

Funding Provider
ScreenWest

Location
WA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19771

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Business

Funding
$50,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **9 Feb 2026**

Purpose

The Screenwest Scripted Project Development Fund provides development investment funding to Western Australian writers and/or producers creating long-form scripted content, for all screen-based delivery platforms (excluding online).

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Overview

Screenwest funding is a partial contribution to the next stage of development.

Funds may be used for the following types of activities, for example:

- Work with a Writers' Room to write series episodes or a full series bible.
- Write a new draft of a pilot episode or feature length screenplay.
- Work with story developers.
- Work with executive producers to secure matched market investment and/or advance the project to production.
- Work with casting agents to attach talent.

Funding Available

- Up to $35,000 per project application.
- Maximum cap of $50,000 per project (Concept and Project Development funding combined), per financial year.
- There will be up to four competitive rounds per financial year.

Limitations

Eligibility

To be considered eligible for this program, the below general minimum eligibility applies.

Applicant / Company Eligibility

The applicant / company must:

1. Be a Western Australian Resident with a registered Australian Business Number (ABN) or a Western Australian Resident Company, as defined in the Screenwest Terms of Trade. (Non-Western Australian applicant Producers/ Production Companies will only be considered where they can demonstrate they will bring significant cultural and/ or economic benefits to Western Australia.) 2. Control the underlying rights to the project at the time of application. 3. Develop the scripted television series or feature film aimed towards broadcast/distribution to the Australian and international markets. 4. Include at least one individual among the creative team (EP, producer, director, writer) who has a commercially distributed/released feature, series or equivalent credit in the last 5 years in the role they are applying for (ie EP, producer, director, writer); OR Supply evidence of market interest in the project from a bonafide broadcaster, network, streaming service, theatrical distributor and/or sales agent.

To note: Creative team and/or documented market interest must be confirmed at the time of application.

Resubmissions Projects must clearly demonstrate substantial changes (as determined by Screenwest Management) if the project has previously been declined twice for funding.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19771/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19771/guidelines

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19771/apply
Contact: Shane McNeil
Email: shane.mcneil@screenwest.com.au **Phone:** +61 8 6169 2109

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Sir Robert William Askin Operatic Scholarship

Funding Providers
Creative Australia
Perpetual Limited Grants

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Scholarship S05738

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$30,000
Total Pool: $30,000

Rounds
Closes **3 Feb 2026 3pm AEDT (or earlier if application limit is met)**

Purpose

Travelling scholarship to support the professional development of a man or male under 30 with outstanding ability and promise in opera singing.

Overview

The Sir Robert William Askin Operatic Scholarship was established by a Deed of Lady Mollie Askin to further culture and advance education in Australia by providing a travelling scholarship for Australian citizens with outstanding ability and promise in opera singing.

The scholarship is awarded biennially to a young man or male candidate who has outstanding ability and promise in opera singing. The scholarship is worth $30,000, payable in two instalments of $15,000 over two years.

The scholarships are administered by Creative Australia on behalf of Perpetual as trustee.

Limitations

Applications for the Sir Robert William Askin Operatic Scholarship are open to individual artists who identify as a man or male and are Australian citizens aged 18 - 29 at the closing date.

These are terms established by the Sir Robert William Askin Operatic Scholarship Trust. There are no exceptions to these requirements.

If you are an Australian citizen but will have difficulty providing a copy of a birth certificate, passport or citizenship certificate, please contact **Artists Services**.

You can't apply for a scholarship if:

- you have an overdue grant report
- you owe money to Creative Australia
- you were previously awarded a Sir Robert William Askin Operatic Scholarship.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05738/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05738/apply
Website: https://creative.gov.au/about-us/contact-us **Email:** enquiries@creative.gov.au **Phone:** 02 9215 9000

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Story Development Funding - Project Development

Funding Provider
Screen Territory

Location
NT

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19360

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Business

Funding
Amount: NaN to $20,000

Rounds
Opens **9 Feb 2026** Closes **16 Mar 2026**

Last Round
Closed **15 Dec 2025**

Purpose

Screen Territory will support Northern Territory writers, directors and producers to contribute to a development plan appropriate to the stage of the project.

Overview

You can apply for up to $10,000 or $20,000 per applicant, depending on the level of experience.

You may be funded more than once up to a total cap of $30,000, only after the previous grant has been successfully acquitted and significant development has taken place.

Examples of formats that may be funded are:

- feature films
- adult and children's drama and narrative comedy including television series, miniseries, telemovies and web series
- content-rich factual and documentary theatrical, television or web programs.

Limitations

You can apply if:

- you meet Screen Territory's general eligibility criteria
- you are a Northern Territory resident or company
- you hold the rights necessary to make the project or have an option to the rights in any and all works on which the project is based.

For applications up to $10,000, you must have at least two eligible screen credits both at least 10 minutes in total duration.

For applications of $10,001 to $20,000, you must have at least two eligible screen credits both at least one hour in total duration.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19360/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19360/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19360/apply
Email: screen.territory@nt.gov.au **Phone:** +61 8 8 8999 3976

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Strategic Opportunities Program

Funding Providers
Create NSW
Screen NSW

Location
NSW

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19387

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Business

Funding
Amount: $5,000 to $50,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **29 May 2026**

Purpose

The Strategic Opportunities Program supports innovative projects designed to strengthen the NSW screen and digital games industries.

Overview

This purpose of this program is to fund big picture, sector development projects that demonstrate significant benefits to the NSW screen or digital games industry. Under this program, Screen NSW provides support for projects with exceptional artistic and strategic potential that may not be able to access other sources of funding.

Funding under this program is only available on a one-off, single-year basis (i.e., an applicant cannot apply for funding for a project that has previously received funding under the Strategic Opportunities Program).

Applicants wishing to apply to this program must first discuss their proposal with Screen NSW prior to submitting an application.

Limitations

To be eligible for funding under the Strategic Opportunities Program, applicants must:

- Discuss their proposed project with Screen NSW staff before submitting an application
- Be an Australian organisation, including:
    - Companies and not-for-profit incorporated bodies
    - Co-operatives, trusts or local government authorities
    - A consortium or a group of organisations working collaboratively*
- Have an Australian Business Number (ABN)
- Be legally constituted and able to provide proof of legal status
- Adhere to general eligibility requirements under the Screen NSW Terms of Trade.

*In the case of a consortium or group of organisations working collaboratively, one eligible organisation must be nominated as the lead organisation. If successful, the funding grant agreement will be between Screen NSW and the lead organisation.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19387/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19387/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19387/apply
Email: screenindustry@create.nsw.gov.au

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Talent Escalator Opportunity

Funding Provider
Special Broadcasting Service (SBS)

Location
Aus

Funding Type
In-kind Contribution U00418

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The SBS Talent Escalator is a nation-wide initiative focused on creating opportunities for creatives from historically under-represented communities within the television production sector.

Overview

The Talent Escalator is a partnership between SBS and state and territory screen agencies.

The Talent Escalator supports career development opportunities for emerging and mid-level screen practitioners through opportunities for participants to work with production companies of SBS-commissioned programs across unscripted and scripted, in roles that are a step up from their existing level of experience.

Since 2017, SBS has supported more than 30 Talent Escalator positions including Associate Producer, Production Manager, Assistant Editor, Director's Attachment and other roles.

Talent Escalator participants have worked on a wide variety of programs across our documentary, factual, food, entertainment, and drama slates. Examples include unscripted shows *Mastermind*, *Lost For Words*, *Come Fly with Me,* and scripted shows *Hungry Ghosts, New Gold Mountain*, and *The Tailings*.

SBS and the state and territory agencies collaborate with production companies working on SBS-commissioned programs to secure flexible, on-the-job, paid learning and immersion opportunities.

Talent Escalator roles become available on a rolling basis throughout the year on various programs. To submit an expression of interest, please contact diversity@sbs.com.au.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Email
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00418/info
Email: diversity@sbs.com.au

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The Alice Prize

Funding Provider
Alice Springs Art Foundation

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Award A00837

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$30,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **30 Jan 2026**

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Purpose

The Alice Prize is an acquisitive national contemporary art prize, welcoming entries from around Australia, in any medium or theme.

Overview

We mean it. The Alice Prize welcomes all Australian artists - established and emerging; urban, regional and remote - working in painting, performance, textiles, ceramics, photography, digital media, sculpture, sound, installation and more.

Finalists are selected blind by an expert panel, the award is decided by a respected national judge, and the winning acquired work will join a public collection that lives in Central Australia - allowing audiences to learn from, challenge and celebrate contemporary creativity over time.

We are proud to present The Alice Prize in a region known internationally for contemporary Aboriginal art, and we're equally clear about our remit: to showcase fresh work from right across Australia. That way, Central Australians encounter a broader mix of practices and perspectives, and Australian artists gain a vibrant national platform in the Centre.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Mail, Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/A00837/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/A00837/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/A00837/apply
Email: coordinator@aliceprize.com **Phone:** 08 8953 7090

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The Percivals

Funding Provider
Townsville City Council

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Award A00815

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$40,000
Total Pool: $51,000

Rounds
Closes **20 Jan 2026 5pm**

Purpose

The Percivals is an open competition for artists. The competitions give many emerging artists an opportunity to engage with portraiture and share their expressions of themselves and those close to them.

Overview

Award Categories:

- Major Acquisitive Percival Portrait Painting Prize: $40,000
- Major Acquisitive Percival Photographic Portrait Prize: $10,000
- Percival Animal Portrait Prize: $1,000

Administration Fee Payment:

All applicants must pay the non-refundable administration fee of **$44** per artwork.

Please see Terms and Conditions for each category.

Applications forms:

- Percival Portrait Painting Prize
- Percival Photographic Portrait Prize
- Percival Animal Portrait Prize

Limitations

Eligibility and Entry

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See Terms and Conditions for each category regarding eligibility and entry requirements.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/A00815/info
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/A00815/apply
Email: galleries@townsville.qld.gov.au **Phone:** (07) 4727 9011

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Touring Support

Funding Provider
CreateSA

Location
SA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19785

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
$50,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **2 Feb 2026**

Purpose

This grant supports the expansion of markets through regional, national and international touring and includes all art forms.

Overview

Touring Support provides opportunities to extend audiences and the life of South Australian works and includes all art forms.

Activity may include:

- one-off presentations away from your home base (for example, if you are based in Adelaide, a presentation in a regional, interstate or international area is eligible but a one-off presentation in Adelaide is not)
- tours to more than one venue in your home base and away from your home base (for example, one presentation in your home base of Adelaide does not constitute a tour, but seasons in multiple venues in your home base of Adelaide or elsewhere does)
- developing and/or implementing virtual opportunities and avenues for the presentation of established work (which may or may not be monetised) as an alternative to physical presentation
- developing and/or implementing new models of, and opportunities for, more sustainable presentation that reduces carbon emissions.

This category supports the touring of established work that has premiered, exhibited or been presented or the translation of this work through digital opportunities. Please note that you can also apply in the Market Development category for tour development activity to support the development of new touring activity.

Limitations

Who can apply

- funded organisations: small-to-medium organisations, major organisations.

Who is ineligible

- individual independent artists and artist groups
- organisations funded through the National Performing Arts Partnership Framework (NPAPF) formerly known as Major Performing Arts (MPA) Companies
- Statutory Authorities.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19785/info

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Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19785/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19785/apply
Email: CreateSAGrants@sa.gov.au **Phone:** +61 8 8363 8670

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Touring and Travel Fund - International Touring

Funding Provider
Sound NSW

Location
NSW

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19716

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$30,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **24 Apr 2026 12:00 pm**

Purpose

This funding program is designed to support established artists and acts to tour internationally.

Overview

Funding can support travel and accommodation costs for established artists and acts who identify a career-defining international touring opportunity.

Costs to support the artist and acts will be prioritised but costs relating to support roles will also be considered.

Funding supports travel and accommodation costs only, up to $30,000 in matched funding. Travel and accommodation costs can include flights, trains, buses, car hire, petrol, tolls, airport transfers, travel insurance, visas, per diems and accommodation. Applicants must match the funding request with their own cash contribution.

This funding aims to:

- support established NSW artists and acts to tour internationally
- champion NSW music
- grow international music audiences for NSW artists.

This program does not support domestic touring or professional development opportunities.

Limitations

The fund is open to artists, acts and music industry professionals, as well as music businesses applying on behalf of an artist or act.

Funding recipients must be:

- 18 years or older
- currently living in NSW (minimum 12 months)
- performing or working in contemporary music.

Applicants will need:

- an active ABN (that's your Australian Business Number)
- a bank account with the same name as your ABN
- or a funds administrator to help you out.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19716/info
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19716/apply
Contact: Sophie McComish, Music Liaison
Email: info@sound.nsw.gov.au **Phone:** +61 2 9372 8662

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Travel Fund

Funding Provider
ScreenWest

Location
WA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G12162

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$6,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Screenwest travel fund assists with the costs of travel for Western Australian creatives and digital games developers / interactive practitioners to attend key national and international screen industry markets, or festivals and awards.

Overview

Travel funding assistance is highly competitive and is not automatic. Support and approval depends on the competitive strength of the application and the availability of funds.

Funding is available for three types of activities:

1. **Screen Industry Markets.** Applications will need to demonstrate a slate of projects with market interest and a significant track record. Funding will be allocated to applicants looking to solidify finance and market partners for a project / slate of projects.
2. **Festivals & Awards.** For practitioners nominated for a major award, or to represent project/s with confirmed screenings in a major festival (see eligibility).
3. **Digital Games Industry Events & Conferences.** For digital game studios and independent developers (including game designers, producers and game developers) to attend networking events and conferences to build relationships with publishers, partners and promote projects.

Funding

- Up to $2,000 per application for National destinations
- Up to $3,500 for Asia-Pacific destinations
- Up to $6,000 per application for Rest of World (international) destinations

An additional amount of up to $500 may be granted to regionally based practitioners to assist with non-direct flights.

Limitations

Eligibility

The applicant / company:

- Must be a Western Australian Resident / Production Company as defined in the Screenwest Terms of Trade.
- The travelling representative must be a Western Australian Resident as defined in the Screenwest Terms of Trade.
- Only one representative per film or games project, company or organisation is eligible for travel funding for the destination being applied for.

See additional eligibility criteria in the guidelines.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G12162/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G12162/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G12162/apply
Email: funding@screenwest.com.au **Phone:** 6169 2100

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Travel Support - Awards and Festivals

Funding Providers
Screen Territory
Department of Tourism and Hospitality (NT)

Location
NT

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19177

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
- Individual
- Business

Funding
$5,000

Rounds
Closes **18 May 2026 2:30 PM (ACST)**

Purpose

Screen Territory may contribute towards the costs of travel by Northern Territory practitioners nominated for key awards, or whose projects have been selected for key festivals, to progress their career through exposure and networking.

Overview

You can apply for up to $2,000 per traveller for national travel, or up to $5,000 per application for international travel.

You must be nominated for an eligible award or have a key role on a project selected for an eligible festival or nominated for an eligible award.

Eligible Australian awards:

- AACTA Awards
- ACS National Awards for Cinematography
- ADG Awards
- ASE Awards
- AWGIE Awards
- SPA Awards
- TV Week Logie Awards
- Australian Game Developer Awards

Eligible Australian festivals:

- Adelaide Film Festival
- Brisbane International Film Festival
- Darwin International Film Festival
- Melbourne International Film Festival
- Perth Revelation International Film Festival
- Sydney Film Festival.

Limitations

You can apply if:

- you meet Screen Territory's general eligibility criteria
- you are a Northern Territory resident or company
- you are nominated for an eligible award or have a key role on a project selected for an eligible festival or nominated for an eligible award
- your application is received by Screen Territory no later than four weeks prior to the date of travel.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19177/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19177/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19177/apply
Email: screen.territory@nt.gov.au **Phone:** 08 8951 5141

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Travel Support - Markets

Funding Providers
Screen Territory
Department of Tourism and Hospitality (NT)

Location
NT

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19176

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
- Individual
- Business

Funding
$5,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **18 May 2026 2:30 PM (ACST)**

Purpose

Screen Territory may contribute towards the costs of travel by Northern Territory production companies or practitioners to attend key national and international markets and market-oriented conferences or undertake targeted business travel for exposure, experience, skills development, networking and to help move a project or slate of projects forward.

Overview

Funding available:

- Up to $2 000 per traveller (up to $4 000 per company per application and must have a minimum of two travellers from the company) for national travel
- Up to $5 000 per application (irrespective of number of travellers) for international travel.

Eligible expenditure includes airfares (economy only), accommodation, ground transport, event registration, per diems, and other legitimate travel costs. Course fees, wages, and other fees may not be claimed.

Eligible Australian conferences

- Australian International Documentary Conference (AIDC)
- Screen Forever
- Australian Children's Content Summit (ACCS)
- Games Connect Asia Pacific (GCAP)
- Pax Aus (Pax Market)

Eligible Australian pitching forums (applicant must be selected)

- MIFF 37 South Market

An application for travel funding to attend an event not on the eligible events list, or for interstate travel for business purposes outside attendance at an event, may be considered if the applicant can demonstrate that it offers significant professional development or project advancement opportunities.

In the event a conference is being held online, Screen Territory will consider funding for registration to the event. In this case you must discuss your proposal with Screen Territory before submitting an application.

Limitations

You can apply if:

- you meet Screen Territory's general eligibility criteria
- you are a Northern Territory resident or company
- you hold the rights to at least two projects in development with market potential
- your application is received by Screen Territory no later than four weeks prior to the date of travel.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19176/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19176/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19176/apply
Email: screen.territory@nt.gov.au **Phone:** 08 8951 5141

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Travel Support - Skills Development

Funding Providers
Screen Territory
Department of Tourism and Hospitality (NT)

Location
NT

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19175

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$2,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **18 May 2026 2:30 PM (ACST)**

Purpose

Screen Territory may contribute towards the costs of travel by Northern Territory practitioners to attend key national craft conferences or other professional development events, to enhance their skills and progress their career through exposure and networking.

Overview

The NTG may contribute towards the costs of travel by Northern Territory practitioners to attend key national craft conferences or other professional development events, to enhance their skills and progress their career through exposure and networking.

Funding available:

Up to $2 000 per application. Eligible expenditure includes airfares (economy only), accommodation, ground transport, event registration, per diems, and other legitimate travel costs.

Limitations

Eligibility:

This program is open to Northern Territory residents who:

- Meet eligibility criteria as per the Terms of Trade.
- Can demonstrate significant commitment to a screen industry career in roles relevant to the proposed conference or event.

An application for travel funding to attend an upskilling event may be considered if you can demonstrate that it offers significant professional development opportunities.

You must discuss your proposed travel with Screen Territory before submitting an application.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19175/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19175/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19175/apply
Email: screen.territory@nt.gov.au **Phone:** 08 8999 3976

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Venue Upgrade Grants - Advanced Screen and Lighting Technology

Funding Providers
Create NSW
Sound NSW

Location
NSW

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19677

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Business

Funding
$500,000

Rounds
Closes **2 Feb 2026 11am**

Purpose

The Advanced Screen and Lighting Technology Grant supports dedicated live music venues to install high-end audiovisual systems and dynamic lighting effects designed to significantly enhance the audience experience.

Overview

The Advanced Screen and Lighting Technology Grant supports dedicated live music venues to install high-end audiovisual systems and dynamic lighting effects designed to significantly enhance the audience experience.

Applicants with a capacity of up to 1000 will be able to apply for up to $200,000, and applicants with capacity of over 1000 will be able to apply for up to $500,000 to support their advanced screen and lighting technology projects.

This funding aims to:

- Build capability of dedicated live music venues to deliver world class audience and visitor experiences
- Increase the number of fit-for-purpose live music venues in NSW
- Increase sector knowledge and expertise in best practice sound management and sustainable live music programming
- Reduce sound impact on neighbours, leading to less complaints and increased business viability
- Increase diversity of live music offerings.

This program is administered by Sound NSW (Department of Creative Industries, Tourism, Hospitality and Sport).

Limitations

This program is only for dedicated NSW live music venues. For the purpose of this grant, dedicated live music venues should meet the following definitions:

- be based in NSW
- be licensed or unlicensed
- where live music is the primary function of the business
- programming contemporary live music that is predominantly new and original
- where original contemporary live music programming is prominent in the business marketing
- have a room or space is dedicated to live music that is a significant part of the venue and contains appropriate infrastructure to support regular performances, for example, a separate auditorium, lighting, a sound desk, etc
- be committed to best industry practices and have formal arrangements in place establishing payments for artist performances
- have an active OneMusic Licence for Live Music performances.

Applicants must also:

- Program live music:
    - Metropolitan Venues: Programming will occur at least ten (10) nights per month
    - Regional Venues: Programming will occur on average two (2) nights per week
- be identified as essential to the domestic touring live music ecosystem
- have majority Australian ownership
- hold a lease or occupancy agreement with at least 2 years from the application close date remaining of the current term (where the premises aren't owned by the operator)
- Previously received funding through the 2023/2024 Venues Unlocked - Soundproofing Grant or the 2024/2025 Venues Upgrade Grants Program 2.

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Applicants must satisfy ONE of the following criteria:

- be an incorporated entity or trust (including a trust with a corporate or individual trustee) and hold an Australian Business Number (ABN), Australian Company Number (ACN), or
- be registered with NSW Fair Trading under the Associations Incorporation Act 2009 or the Co-operatives National Law (NSW) set out in the appendix to the Co-operatives (Adoption of National Law) Act 2012.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19677/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19677/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19677/apply
Email: info@sound.nsw.gov.au **Phone:** +61 2 9494 8084

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Venue Upgrade Grants - Infrastructure and Equipment

Funding Providers
Create NSW
Sound NSW

Location
NSW

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19674

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Business

Funding
$150,000

Rounds
Closes **9 Feb 2026**

Purpose

Dedicated live music venues may apply for grants to support equipment purchases and infrastructure works in the areas of soundproofing, accessibility, energy efficiency and ventilation.

Overview

Available grants up the value of $150,000 (ex GST) will support the purchase of equipment and a range of infrastructure development works.

Infrastructure works:

- soundproofing
- ventilation
- accessibility
- energy efficiency improvements.

Equipment:

- purchase of production equipment (sound, lighting and staging)

This funding aims to:

- Build capability of dedicated live music venues to deliver world class audience and visitor experiences
- Increase the number of fit-for-purpose live music venues in NSW
- Increase sector knowledge and expertise in best practice sound management and sustainable live music programming
- Reduce sound impact on neighbours, leading to less complaints and increased business viability
- Increase diversity of live music offerings

This program is administered by Sound NSW (Department of Creative Industries, Tourism, Hospitality and Sport).

Limitations

This program is only for dedicated NSW live music venues.

For the purpose of this grant, dedicated live music venues should meet the following definitions:

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- be based in NSW
- be licensed or unlicensed
- where live music is the primary function of the business
- programming contemporary live music that is predominantly new and original
- where original contemporary live music programming is prominent in the business marketing
- have a room or space is dedicated to live music that is a significant part of the venue and contains appropriate infrastructure to support regular performances, for example, a separate auditorium, lighting, a sound desk, etc
- be committed to best industry practices and have formal arrangements in place establishing payments for artist performances
- have an active OneMusic Licence for Live Music performances

Applicants must also:

- Program live music:
    - **Metropolitan Venues:** Programming will occur at least ten (10) nights per month
    - **Regional Venues:** Programming will occur on average two (2) nights per week.
- be identified as essential to the domestic touring live music ecosystem
- have majority Australian ownership
- hold a lease or occupancy agreement with at least 2 years from the application close date remaining of the current term (where the premises aren't owned by the operator)
- provide relevant venue assessment reports (for infrastructure funding)
- venues operating more than 10 gaming machines must provide a comparative analysis of live music investment and gaming machine revenue, to determine the venue's impact to the contemporary live music ecosystem.

Applicants must satisfy ONE of the following criteria:

- be an incorporated entity or trust (including a trust with a corporate or individual trustee) and hold an Australian Business Number (ABN), Australian Company Number (ACN), or
- be registered with NSW Fair Trading under the Associations Incorporation Act 2009 or the Co-operatives National Law (NSW) set out in the appendix to the Co-operatives (Adoption of National Law) Act 2012

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19674/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19674/guidelines

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19674/apply
Email: info@sound.nsw.gov.au **Phone:** +61 2 9494 8084

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Vibrant - Arts Funding

Funding Provider
The Ian Potter Foundation

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19044

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- University
- Unincorporated Assoc
- DGR Required

Funding
Amount: $100,000 to Undisclosed
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Expression of Interest (EOI) Required to apply
Opens **17 Feb 2026** Closes **12 Mar 2026**

Rounds
Opens **17 Feb 2026** Closes **4 Jun 2026 5pm AEDT**

Purpose

The Foundation is interested in enhancing the calibre and capacity of the arts sector and supporting excellent organisations to raise the bar of aspiration and achievement.

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Overview

The Foundation seeks to support first-rate artistic institutions and organisations in metropolitan and regional Australia which are distinctive in artistic achievement, imagination and innovation to:

- foster development across a sector or art form.
- host artists in high-calibre professional development and/or leadership opportunities of at least 12 months (e.g. fellowships, apprenticeships, mentorships, internships).

Funding

In general, the recommended minimum grant amount for institutions and organisations is $100,000 per year and grants are usually multi-year.

You must speak with the Program Manager before submitting an Expression of Interest (EOI) to be considered eligible to apply. After the initial conversation, the Program Manager will invite suitable candidates to apply.

Limitations

Eligibility

The Ian Potter Foundation can only make grants to organisations with BOTH Deductible Gift Recipient (DGR) Item 1 and Tax Concession Charity (TCC) status.

Exclusions

Specific Exclusions:

The Foundation does not support Arts events (such as festivals or fairs), performances or exhibitions. This exclusion also applies to the development or production of works of art, where this is the primary purpose of the project.

General Exclusions:

Projects that fall into any of the following categories will not be considered for funding:

- Retrospective funding – projects which are already underway or which will commence prior to the date indicated in our online application information are not eligible for consideration
- Recurrent expenditure for which there is no future provision
- Capital or endowment funds established to fund a chair or to provide a corpus for institutions Research for undergraduate, masters or doctoral students
- Auspicing is not permitted – the organisation applying must be the one that will run the program or project
- Applications for public charitable purposes outside the Commonwealth of Australia
- Applications for projects that have previously been declined by the Foundation cannot be resubmitted Applications will not be accepted from organisations that have not successfully acquitted previous grants from the Foundation
- Do not directly support schools

Applicants MUST speak with the relevant Program Manager before submitting an Expression of Interest (EOI) to be eligible to apply.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19044/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19044/guidelines
Contact: Subhadra Mistry
Website: https://www.ianpotter.org.au/contact/ **Phone:** 03 9611 1590

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Victorian Production Fund - Film, TV and Online

Funding Provider
VicScreen

Location
VIC

Funding Type
Cash Grant G17991

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
Not-for-Profit

Funding
$500,000 (approx)
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Victorian Production Fund (VPF) – Film, TV & Online supports Victorian companies and Victorian key creatives to produce quality, diverse and engaging narrative screen content for local and international audiences.

Overview

What are we looking for?

High-quality, diverse and engaging narrative screen content that can:

- generate employment and economic activity in Victoria
- make a significant contribution to Australian culture and storytelling
- grow the number and size of Victorian production companies
- provide increased opportunities for Victorian storytellers (project originators, writers directors and producers).

Projects that meet the objectives of the VPF and the broader strategic objectives of VicScreen.

How much can you apply for?

Between 3-10% of the project's Victorian spend, generally capped at $500,000.

In some circumstances the cap may be exceeded for Victorian production companies with projects providing exceptional value or benefit in meeting VPF objectives.

Applicants should discuss their funding requests with VicScreen prior to submitting an application.

Limitations

Who is eligible?

You must be:

- An Australian company based in and operating out of Victoria for at least six months prior to the funding application. For further information, view VicScreen's Terms of Trade.
- Australian companies not based in Victoria can still apply if they are in a genuine co-production arrangement with a Victorian production company, and/or the project is created by a Victorian or driven substantially by Victorian key creatives.

Who is not eligible?

- Projects without market attachment (except as specified above).
- Short films, sketch comedy, reality television, infotainment, magazine shows, variety, light entertainment, sports telecasts, news, current affairs, corporate or promotional media, training videos or community television shows.
- Projects that are part of a course of study.
- A project that has been declined once for funding from this program (or the previous API – Film & TV program), unless VicScreen has deemed it significantly reworked.
- A project that has been declined twice for funding from this program (or the previous API – Film & TV program).

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G17991/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G17991/guidelines

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G17991/apply
Contact: Sarah Pratt
Email: sarah.pratt@film.vic.gov.au **Phone:** 03 9660 3229

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Victorian Production Fund - Games

Funding Provider
VicScreen

Location
VIC

Funding Type
Cash Grant G12004

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
- Individual
- Business

Funding
$500,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Victorian Production Fund (VPF) – Games supports Victorian digital games development companies and creators to develop and release a variety of digital games.

Overview

The program funds the Pre-Production, Production and Post-Production phases of game development for PC, consoles, mobile, virtual reality (VR), augmented reality (AR) or extended reality (XR).

Up to $300,000 per stage and up to $500,000 per project is available to be cash-flowed into projects, with the equity remaining with the company or individual.

What is the funder looking for?

- Digital game projects from Victorian developers at all stages of their career.
- Projects that have a mix of creative, cultural and commercial outcomes.
- Projects that are ready to take the next step to either Pre-Production, Production and Post Production in order to become market ready.
- Original digital game projects that support the ongoing development and sustainability of individuals and businesses, as well as the broader Victorian screen sector.
- Projects that contribute to VicScreen's strategic priorities of:
    - driving industry growth and jobs
    - generating compelling Victorian content and IP
    - developing skills and talent
    - enhancing Victoria's reputation as a vibrant, diverse and creative game development hub.

How much can you apply for?

- Funding is capped at $300,000 per stage or $500,000 per project.
- You must contribute 50% or more of the stage budget through in-kind work, applicant cash, external funds, or some other combination. You must provide evidence of external funds contribution to the finance plan as part of your application.
- For Pre-Production, the requested amount should target between 10% and 25% of the project’s total budget.
- For Production, the requested amount should target between 10% and 50% of the project’s total budget.
- For Post-Production, the requested amount should target up to 50% of the post-production budget.
- In some circumstances the requested amount cap may be exceeded for Victorian production companies with projects providing exceptional value or benefit in meeting VPF objectives.
- Funding is offered as an assigned production investment. There is no recoup expectation.
- Applicants can discuss their funding requests with VicScreen prior to submitting an application.

Limitations

Who is eligible?

- You must be an Australian individual or company. View our Terms of Trade for eligibility requirements.
- Applicants may be either a Victorian Company or Victorian Resident

What is not eligible?

- In addition to projects excluded under VicScreen’s Terms of Trade, the following project types are ineligible under this program:

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- Projects that contain or have relationships to gambling, exploitative play-to-win mechanics, play-to-earn mechanics, or high risk and volatile trading products or technologies
- Projects with significant Indigenous content that do not have Key Creatives from an appropriate background
- Projects designed primarily for educational, training and simulation, research, marketing, or other business-to-business audiences or purposes.

- A project that has been declined for funding from this program unless VicScreen has deemed it significantly reworked
- A project that has been declined three times for funding from this program.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G12004/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G12004/guidelines

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G12004/apply
Contact: Hanna Tai
Email: Hanna.tai@vicscreen.vic.gov.au **Phone:** 03 9660 3278

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Visual Arts General Grants - 2026

Funding Provider
The Gordon Darling Foundation

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19558

Primary Category
Arts and culture

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- DGR Required

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Foundation provides funding for a range of Visual Arts projects.

Overview

The Foundation provides funding for a range of Visual Arts projects Australia-wide.

Funding may be provided for:

- catalogues and publications:
  - that are scholarly, preferably with well-researched new information.
  - that provide a permanent record of an exhibition, collection, or work of an artist or movement.
- marketing or promotional costs, if they aim to reach new audiences, especially young audiences.
- professional education initiatives, including individual professional development.
- collection management initiatives, including database development and conservation.
- research projects leading to the recognition and publication of material of significance.
- internationally known speakers for symposia.

The Foundation usually does **not** fund:

- capital works, acquisitions, prizes or commissions.
- general or core operational activities.
- retrospective funding.
- recurrent funding of a project or exhibition.

To apply, please read the guidelines. Contact the Gordon Darling Foundation to request the **current year's** application form and detailed guidelines.

The application closing dates for 2026 are:

- Friday 9 January
- Friday 29 May

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- Wednesday 30 September

Limitations

The Foundation can only provide funding to Public Institutions in Australia. Applicant organisations must have Deductible Gift Recipient (DGR) status.

Individuals wishing to apply for funding for projects must partner with a Public Institution which then takes on responsibility for the project.

The Trustees will normally award only one application per organisation in any twelve-month period. Darling Travel Grants are considered a separate funding stream and do not preclude an organisation from applying for or receiving a grant.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Mail, Email
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19558/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19558/guidelines
Address: PO Box 7496 St Kilda Road Post Office Melbourne 8004 VIC
Email: gdarling@bigpond.net.au **Phone:** 03 9820 3168

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Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements - Asset Assistance - Tropical Cyclone Fina (AGRN 1223)

Funding Provider
Department of Industry, Tourism and Trade (NT)

Location
NT

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19730

Primary Category
Bushfire and disaster relief

Eligible to
Not-for-Profit

Funding
$10,000

Rounds
Closes **24 Nov 2026**

Purpose

The objective of this financial assistance provided to Northern Territory industry under the DRFA is to assist with the costs of clean#up, reinstatement of businesses that have suffered direct damage as a direct result of eligible disaster.

Overview

Asset Assistance Grants are for non-profit organisations in the identified local government areas, where the organisation's assets have been significantly damaged by an eligible event and there is no reasonable prospect of obtaining commercial finance or insurance to repair or replace assets.

Support available

You can apply for a grant of up to $10,000 to repair or replace an asset that:

- was controlled by an NPO before the declared disaster event
- will bring future economic benefits to the NPO
- was significantly damaged as a direct result of the disaster event
- has no alternative funding source to rectify the damage and used any available cash reserve or insurance prior to seeking assistance.

Limitations

Eligibility

- must be incorporated under the Northern Territory or Commonwealth legislation and be registered with the Australian Charities and Not for Profits Commission (ACNC)
- is compliant with its obligations under ACNC and its governing legislation
- is a Territory Enterprise;

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- holds a valid Australian Business Number;
- was carried on within the Northern Territory eligible impacted area at the time it incurred losses;
- must declare it will continue operations in the same location or local government area;
- must provide sufficient evidence its operation was financial viable within two years prior to the declaration of the eligible event.
- must declare it has not received and is not entitled to receive any grant, compensation or other monetary amount intended to assist with recovery from the disaster the subject of this Program, from any governmental or non-governmental body or source; and
- is not an Excluded Entity.

NPO's impacted by Severe Tropical Cyclone Fina, November 2025, in the local government areas (LGA) of:

- Belyuen Community Government Council
- City of Darwin
- City of Palmerston
- Coomalie Community Council
- Cox-Daly Unincorporated Area
- Litchfield Council
- Marrakai-Douglas Daly Unincorporated Area
- Tiwi Islands Regional CouncilVictoria
- Daly Regional Council
- Wagait Shire Council
- West Arnhem Regional Council
- West Daly Regional Council.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19730/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19730/guidelines
Email: businessprograms.DITT@nt.gov.au

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Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements - Freight Subsidy - Tropical Cyclone Fina (AGRN 1223)

Funding Provider
Department of Industry, Tourism and Trade (NT)

Location
NT

Funding Type
Subsidised Goods And Services U00762

Primary Category
Bushfire and disaster relief

Eligible to
Business

Funding
$5,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **30 Jun 2026**

Purpose

Primary producers can claim freight subsidy if they were adversely affected by Tropical Cyclone Megan.

Overview

Primary producers can claim freight subsidy if they are required to move emergency fodder for livestock, remove stock from impacted areas, replace buildings for livestock, repair fencing, machinery and equipment associated with livestock or replace animals lost from the event.

Support available

Primary producers can access up to 50% in reimbursement of freight costs, capped at $5,000.

This grant is provided to assist with transport freight costs associated with:

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- moving emergency fodder for livestock
- removal of stock from the impacted area
- replacement of buildings for livestock
- fencing repair
- machinery and equipment associated with livestock or
- replacement of animals lost from the event

Limitations

Eligibility

To be eligible, the applicant:

1. is a Primary Producer as defined in the terms and conditions; and
2. is a Territory Enterprise; and
3. holds a valid Australian Business Number; and
4. has assets or stock that have been significantly damaged as a direct result of an eligible disaster; and
5. was operating in the Northern Territory at the time that it incurred losses in the eligible impacted area; and
6. declares operation will continue in the same location and Local Government Area (LGA) after the event; and
7. evidences the operation was financially viable within the two years prior to the declaration of the eligible event; and
8. evidences insurance arrangements are fully utilised or not available for the expenditure being claimed under this grant; and
9. evidences it has not received and is not entitled to receive any grant, compensation or other monetary amount intended to assist with recovery from the disaster the subject of this Program, from any governmental or non-governmental body or source; and
10. is not an Excluded Entity

Primary producers impacted by Severe Tropical Cyclone Fina, November 2025, in the local government areas (LGA) of:

- Belyuen Community Government Council
- City of Darwin
- City of Palmerston
- Coomalie Community Council
- Cox-Daly Unincorporated Area
- Litchfield Council
- Marrakai-Douglas Daly Unincorporated Area
- Tiwi Islands Regional CouncilVictoria
- Daly Regional Council
- Wagait Shire Council
- West Arnhem Regional Council
- West Daly Regional Council.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00762/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00762/guidelines
Email: businessprograms.DITT@nt.gov.au

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Emergency Assistance support

Funding Provider
Commonwealth Bank of Australia

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Pro Bono Services U00148

Primary Category
Bushfire and disaster relief

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Business
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

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Purpose

You may be able to access a range of tailored support options if you or your business are impacted by a natural disaster, pandemic or other disruptive or unforeseen event.

Overview

Updated: 21 May 2025

Emergency Assistance has been activated for customers affected by flooding in the Mid North Coast and Hunter region of New South Wales.

Updated: 14 February 2025

Emergency Assistance is activated for customers and businesses affected by the severe weather events in Far North Queensland & the Pilbara region of Western Australia.

You may be able to access a range of tailored support options if you or your business are impacted by a natural disaster or other unforeseen event.

To discuss your individual circumstances please take a look at our support options and contact us as soon as you are able. You can message us in the CommBank app, call Emergency Assist on 1800 314 695 or visit us in branch where it is safe to do so.

Support for individuals:

- Customised payment arrangements such as the option to defer loan repayments
- Waived fees and charges
- Temporary overdrafts, additional loans or emergency credit limit increases (subject to credit approval)
- Early access to Term Deposits
- Emergency accommodation assistance for CommInsure Residential Home Insurance customers whose homes have been damaged by bushfire, flood or storms
- Expedited CommInsure home and contents insurance claims

Support for business customers:

- Deferred business loan repayments for eligible business customers
- Refund of merchant terminal fees for up to 90 days or waiver of merchant terminal non-return fees for eligible business customers
- Specialised tailored support for larger business customers
- Early access to Term Deposits, Cash Deposit, Farm Management Term Deposit and Business Investment accounts

If you need support, please reach out to us. If you have a Relationship Manager they will be able to discuss the support options available to you, or you can call our dedicated Business Financial Assistance team, available 24/7, on 13 26 07.

Broker Emergency Assistance Package

Eligible Brokers who have been significantly impacted by the flood emergency in Queensland and New South Wales are encouraged to contact their Relationship Manager to help them understand their options and how to apply for assistance.

Limitations

As the advice on this page has been prepared without considering your objectives, financial situation or needs, you should, before acting on the advice, consider its appropriateness to your circumstances. Terms and conditions are available here and should be considered before making any decision. Fees and charges may apply.

*Customers eligible to apply for a loan repayment deferral include any CommBank business customer who holds a BetterBusiness Loan with less than $10,000,000 of total commercial liabilities with CommBank. Loan repayment deferrals are offered at the final discretion of the bank. These products are only available to approved business customers and for business purposes only. Applications for finance are subject to the Bank's eligibility and suitability criteria and normal credit approval processes. Applications for finance are subject to the Bank's eligibility and suitability criteria and normal credit approval processes. View the current Terms and Conditions for Business Finance and consider them before making any decision about these products. For current interest rates, visit Business banking rates and fees.

^Merchant terminal fee waivers, fee and notice period waivers on Cash Deposit and Farm Management Deposit accounts are available to any CommBank business customer impacted by Covid. This includes impacts to business location, business owners / employees, business suppliers or to the business customers. Assessment is on a case-by-case basis and is at the final discretion of the Bank.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Phone
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00148/info
Website: https://www.commbank.com.au/support/messaging.html **Phone:** 1800 314 695

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Exceptional Disaster Assistance Recovery Grants - North and Far North Tropical Low

Funding Provider
Queensland Rural and Industry Development Authority (QRIDA)

Location
Yarrabah
Cassowary Coast
Townsville
Cairns
Hinchinbrook
Palm Island
Burdekin

Funding Type
Cash Grant G17112

Primary Category
Bushfire and disaster relief

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Business

Funding
$75,000

Rounds
Closes **14 Feb 2026**

Purpose

Exceptional Disaster Assistance Recovery Grants are available to assist directly impacted primary producers, small businesses and non profit organisations with the costs of clean-up and reinstatement.

Overview

Grants are available for affected producers, small business and non-profit organisations following the North and Far North Tropical Low, 29 January - 28 February 2025, to hire or purchase equipment and materials, clean up, remove debris, repair or replace damaged infrastructure or goods and other costs associated with the recovery process.

Applicants need to show they are an eligible organisation, within the declared disaster area and demonstrate they have suffered direct impact from the disaster. Read below and the guidelines for more information.

Funding available is below:

- Primary producer - up to $75,000
- Small business - up to $50,000
- Non-profit organisation - up to $50,000.

Limitations

To be eligible for an Exceptional Disaster Assistance Recovery Grant, you as the applicant must:

- be a non-profit organisation
- have a non-profit organisation located in the defined area for the eligible disaster and have suffered direct damage as a result of the eligible disaster
- have been engaged in carrying on the non-profit organisation when affected by the eligible disaster
- be primarily responsible for meeting the costs claimed in the application
- be unable to repair or replace assets directly damaged as a result of the eligible disaster from the applicant's own resources without assistance under the scheme; and
- intend to re-establish the organisation in the defined disaster area for the eligible disaster.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G17112/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G17112/apply
Website: https://www.qrida.qld.gov.au/contact-us

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Rural Relief Fund

Funding Providers
Rural Business Tasmania
Department of State Growth (TAS)

Location
TAS

Funding Type
Cash Grant G12592

Primary Category
Bushfire and disaster relief

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Business

Funding
$2,500 (approx)
Total Pool: $500,000

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The purpose of the Rural Relief Fund is to provide financial assistance to support rural and regional businesses during times of economic hardship due to flood, fire and drought etc. The fund is to support those in our rural and regional community impacted by adverse conditions.

Overview

In the unfortunate instance when disasters like drought, flood or bushfires occur, the need for assistance is immediate. With human and animal welfare a priority, the Rural Relief Fund, through the provision of emergency grants, can act quickly to support those most affected.

Offering grants of up to $2,500 crisis relief is gifted to eligible families based on urgency and the level of support required.

The priority of family and animal welfare is taken into account, and as such disbursed funds can cover everything from basic household goods including food to utility bills to the repair of damaged fences.

Limitations

If your family enterprise:

- Are suffering hardship at the present time, and;
- Has a right or interest in land or assets used for the purposes of primary production, small business or fisheries*, and;
- Contributes a significant part (greater than 51%) of your labour and capital to the enterprise, and
- Is registered with the Australian Taxation Office and have an ABN thus indicating you run a small business, farming or fishing enterprise, and;
- Is still conducting this enterprise and/or intend to continue/resume in the foreseeable future, and;
- Have under 19 employees in your business

You may be entitled to a grant under the Rural and Regional Relief Fund of Tasmania guidelines.

- Eligible applicants include individuals, partnership, trust or company operating commercially who are involved in any of the following: crop growing, livestock farming, services to agriculture, commercial fishing (marine, aquaculture and mariculture), forestry, horticulture, vegetable and/or small business services in regional/rural Tasmania.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Mail, Online, Email
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G12592/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G12592/apply
Address: PO Box 322 Launceston 7250 TAS
Email: rrfadmin@ruralbusinesstasmania.org.au **Phone:** 1300 88 3276

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Small Business Recovery Assistance Grant

Funding Provider
Department of Customer Services, Open Data and Small and Family Business (QLD)

Location
Yarrabah
Cassowary Coast
Townsville
Cairns
Hinchinbrook
Palm Island
Charters Towers
Burdekin

Funding Type
Cash Grant G17688

Primary Category
Bushfire and disaster relief

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Business

Funding
$15,000

Rounds
Closes **14 May 2026**

Purpose

This grant provides financial support to small and family businesses in defined disaster areas significantly disrupted by the North and Far North Tropical Low weather event (29 January to 28 February 2025) to re-establish operations and maintain employment.

Overview

Grants are provided for extraordinary costs related to re-establishing business operations and sustaining employment. Costs must be directly related to damage or impacts caused by the event.

This includes:

- paying salaries or wages to employees
- covering rent or rates associated with the business premises
- replacement of stock that was lost, spoiled, or rendered unusable due to the disaster and is not eligible for funding under the Exceptional Disaster Assistance Recovery Grant
- professional services related to disaster recovery
- marketing expenses aimed at regaining lost customers and re-establishing the business post-disaster.

Limitations

To be eligible for this grant, your business must:

- have less than 20 employees (by headcount) at both the time of the disaster and the time of application. Employee headcount refers to the number of individuals employed by the business, including full-time, part-time, and casual employees. Each person is counted as one, regardless of the number of hours worked
- have an annual turnover of less than $10 million
- have an active Australian Business Number (ABN) and have held that ABN at both the time of disaster and the time of application
- be registered for GST at both the time of the disaster and the time of application
- be located within one of the following local government areas:
    - Burdekin Shire Council
    - Cairns Regional Council
    - Cassowary Coast Regional Council
    - Charters Towers Regional Council
    - Hinchinbrook Shire Council
    - Palm Island Aboriginal Shire Council
    - Townsville City Council
    - Yarrabah Aboriginal Shire Council
- have been actively trading immediately prior to being affected by the disaster event
- demonstrate an intent to continue or continued in business after the disaster event
- not be insolvent or have owners/directors that are undischarged bankrupt

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- demonstrate that, for a consecutive period of at least 14 days due to the impact of the specified disaster event, your business either:
    - was completely unable to conduct trading activities or
    - experienced a decrease in revenue of at least 60% compared to the same 14-day period in 2024 (or the same 14-day period in 2023, if your 2024 revenue was impacted by Tropical Cyclone Jasper).

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G17688/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G17688/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G17688/apply
Email: disastergrants@desbt.qld.gov.au

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Australian Small Business Champion Awards

Funding Provider
Precedent Productions

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Award S05718

Primary Category
Business and industry

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Business

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **9 Feb 2026**

Purpose

The Australian Small Business Champion Awards is a prestigious and comprehensive program that supports and recognises small businesses across Australia.

Overview

Small businesses are invited to submit an entry based on the entry guide.

After all entries have been considered, the National Finalists are advised of their success by mail. National finalists will compete with businesses in their category across Australia and the winners announced at the National Gala presentation evening.

At the Presentation Evening winners will be presented with a Champion Statuette and a winner's kit containing a certificate and a media package for their achievement. In addition, they will receive recognition as being one of the Australian Small Businesses Champions and will be highlighted through targeted press releases to the media.

Limitations

Eligibility:

The awards are open to all small businesses in Australia within the retail, service and manufacturing industries.

There are no restrictions. You can be home based or an owner operator as long as the following eligibility is met.

- Retail or Service Businesses with 40 employees or less*
- Manufacturing Businesses with 100 employees or less*

* Eligibility is based on the number of equivalent full-time positions within the business.(80 staff who work half a week each, is equal to 40 full time positions).

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05718/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05718/guidelines
Contact: Precedent Productions **Address:** PO Box H211 Hurlstone Park 2193 NSW
Email: precedent@precedent.net **Phone:** (02) 8363 3333

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Biz Secure - Business Security Assistance Program

Funding Provider
Department of Trade, Business and Asian Relations (NT)

Location
NT

Funding Type
In-kind Contribution U00118

Primary Category
Business and industry

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Business

Funding
$15,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Biz Secure Program supports Territory businesses to enhance the safety and security of their facilities against break-ins and crime. Territory businesses can apply to receive a voucher to undertake security improvement works.

Overview

Biz Secure funding is on a 25:75 co-contribution basis. This means you must provide 25% of the total cost. Eligible businesses can apply for a maximum of $15,000 (GST exclusive) per premises.

Businesses can apply for multiple works for each premises from which it operates. The total amount available is capped at $15,000 (GST exclusive) per premises.

Owners of land or Body Corporates can apply for $15,000 for common property works per eligible recipient trading at the premises. The total amount available is capped at $15,000 (GST exclusive) per premises.

If you are eligible, the following standard improvement works can be funded without the eligible business needing to obtain a security audit:

- Access door repairs
- Access door replacement with heavy-duty, secure alternatives
- Lock works and hardware
- Security Screens
- Window replacement with more secure alternatives
- Glass replacement with secure alternatives
- Lockable Fencing
- Bollards
- Access control / jump barriers
- Duress alarm
- Intruder/Trespasser Alarm (warning sounds)
- Outdoor Security and Sensors lighting

Limitations

To apply, your business must:

- be a Territory Enterprise (for-profit or not-for-profit), a landowner (landlord), or a body corporate under the *Unit Titles Act (NT) 1975*.
- not be an excluded recipient.
- owns or lease premises in the NT.
- have at least one Territory Enterprise actively trading from the premises
- be fully compliant with relevant legal obligations.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00118/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00118/guidelines
Email: business.programs@nt.gov.au **Phone:** 1800 193 111

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Business Energy Efficiency Scheme

Funding Provider
Department of State Growth (TAS)

Location
TAS

Funding Type
Cash Grant G12981

Primary Category
Business and industry

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Business
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
$60,000
Total Pool: $50,000,000

Rounds
Closes **16 Apr 2026 2pm AEST**

Purpose

The purpose of BEES is to provide C&I customers with assistance to implement energy efficient products and services to sustainably reduce electricity bills.

Overview

The Tasmanian Government recognises that upfront costs associated with implementing energy efficient measures can act as a barrier, and BEES supports C&I customers financing these costs.

Two forms of support are available under the scheme:

- an interest free loan of up to $10,000 over three years, and
- a low interest loan of up to $50,000 over three years.

These two forms of support can be combined, effectively subsidising a total loan value of up to $60,000.

Applicants may only access the interest subsidy under BEES for a maximum cap of $60,000 in borrowings. Once this cap is reached no further subsidy will be available to the applicant under the scheme.

Limitations

Eligibility:

The scheme is open to all commercial and industrial energy customers (business and not-for-profit) that meet the eligibility criteria.

To be eligible under the scheme, applicants will need to meet all of the following requirements:

1. have an ABN
2. take out finance with an AFSL entity to invest in energy efficient products
3. use over 150MWh of electricity per annum
4. operate within Tasmania, and
5. install the energy efficient goods/equipment, or have energy efficiency services delivered, within Tasmania.

For a loan to be eligible it must be used to finance an energy efficiency investment – either equipment/goods or services (see the scheme guidelines below for details).

There are limited specific exclusions under the scheme.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G12981/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G12981/guidelines

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G12981/apply
Email: BEES@recfit.tas.gov.au. **Phone:** 1800 062 864

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Business Events Acquisition and Leveraging Fund

Funding Provider
Tourism and Events Queensland

Location
QLD

Funding Type
Cash Grant G16101

Primary Category
Business and industry

Eligible to
Business

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **30 Jun 2026**

Last Round
Closed **30 Jun 2025**

Purpose

Tourism and Events Queensland's business events Acquisition and Leveraging Fund provides investment to assist in securing international business events to Queensland.

Overview

TEQ's business events Acquisition and Leveraging Fund provides investment to assist in securing international business events to Queensland

To be eligible to apply for investment, the following criteria must be met:

- For **international association conferences and trade exhibitions**, the Event must attract a minimum of 400 in-person delegates in attendance each day, of which 50 per cent must have travelled from overseas.
- For **international corporate meetings and incentives**, the Event must attract a minimum of 200 international in-person delegates in attendance per day.
- The Business Event must be in the bidding phase and competing against other international destinations. Confirmed events for Australia/Queensland are not eligible to apply.

For events meeting the above eligibility criteria, an Acquisition and Leveraging Fund enquiry form must be completed. All event applications will be subject to assessment by TEQ.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G16101/info
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G16101/apply
Email: business.events@queensland.com **Phone:** 07 3535 3535

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Business Growth Fund (BGF) program

Funding Provider
Department of Customer Services, Open Data and Small and Family Business (QLD)

Location
QLD

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19687

Primary Category
Business and industry

Eligible to
Business

Funding
Amount: $50,000 to $75,000
Total Pool: $3,500,000

Rounds
Closes **30 Jan 2026 5pm**

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Purpose

The Business Growth Fund (BGF) is a grant program targeting high-growth businesses who can accelerate growth, drive Queensland's economy and employ more Queenslanders.

Overview

The program provides direct financial support for small and family businesses to purchase specialised equipment to grow, increase productivity and efficiency, increase market share or develop and expand export opportunities.

Funding ranges from $50,000 to $75,000 (excluding GST). If successful, you'll receive funding in 3 milestone payments. You'll also need to contribute at least 50% of your total project costs.

You'll be expected to use the funding to:

- increase confidence for growth, transitioning from small to medium-sized
- increase productivity, turnover, profit and/or employment by 20%
- improve confidence to automate, scale up, increase market share, diversify and/or exploit exporting opportunities.

Application process:

- Stage 1 of the application process is to Register your interest by 30 January 2026 at 5pm
- Stage 2 - Invited to complete a full application which will be competitively assessed.

Limitations

When you apply, and for the duration of your funded project, your business must:

- be an established and financially sound small Queensland business with the potential for high growth within the next 2 years
- have **less than 20 employees** (by headcount-see definition below)^
- be operating, and have an **active Australian Business Number (ABN)**^
- be **registered for GST**^ (as per your Australian Business Register (ABR) record)
- have a registered **Queensland headquarters location**^ (as per your ABR record)
- have a turnover# in the last financial year (2024-25) **between $500,000 and $10 million**
- have a **minimum trading history of 3 years**
- have experienced **2 years of high-growth+** and have clearly defined growth and employment opportunities in Queensland
- **not** be insolvent or have owners/directors that are currently bankrupt or undischarged from bankruptcy^
- **not** have been approved for funding under earlier BGF rounds.

See guidelines for more detailed information.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19687/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19687/guidelines

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19687/apply
Email: grants@desbt.qld.gov.au **Phone:** 13 74 68

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Business Growth Loan Scheme

Funding Provider
Department of State Growth (TAS)

Location
TAS

Funding Type
Low Or No-interest Loan U00576

Primary Category
Business and industry

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Business

Funding
Amount: $100,000 to $3,000,000
Total Pool: $60,000,000

Rounds
Closes **18 Dec 2026**

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Purpose

The Tasmanian Government recognises that the private sector is critical to growing our economy and is committed to supporting Tasmanian businesses.

Overview

The $60 million Business Growth Loan Scheme provides loans to assist Tasmanian businesses to develop, expand or undertake new projects, that promote growth in the Tasmanian economy and align with the Tasmanian Government's strategic objectives.

The scheme will open for applications until 5pm, 18 December 2026 or until all funding has been utilised, whichever occurs first.

Key details of the Business Growth Loan Scheme

- The minimum loan amount is $100,000 and the maximum loan amount is $5 million.
- The loan term is up to 5 years.
- Concessional interest rates apply for the first three years (currently 7.25%), with commercial rates to apply after year 3.
- Loan interest will apply from the commencement of the loan.
- Principal repayments must commence no later than 1 year after the initial drawdown of the loan.
- Loan security must include freehold security up to a maximum Loan to Value Ratio (LVR) of 80 per cent.
- Loans must be repaid in full or fully refinanced at the end of the agreed loan term.

Limitations

Eligibility

To be eligible for a loan under this scheme your business will:

- Hold an active Australian Business Number (ABN) and be registered for Goods and Services Tax (GST).
- Be located in Tasmania.
- Clearly demonstrate an ability to service the loan.
- Clearly demonstrate the skills and experience necessary to manage the proposed operation.
- Clearly demonstrate a satisfactory ability to meet project contingencies and cost overruns.
- Demonstrate the loan supports Tasmanian employment, and that Tasmanian labour and materials will be used wherever possible to complete the project.
- Demonstrate that the project aligns to an identified policy objective of the Tasmanian Government - such as Tasmania's Small Business Growth Strategy 2026 - and contributes to growth in the Tasmanian economy.
- Clearly demonstrate that the financial assistance from the Tasmanian Government sought under this scheme is required and that the project cannot be funded on commercial terms through normal banking channels.

Ineligibility criteria also apply to this loan scheme - please check the guidelines before applying.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00576/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00576/guidelines

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00576/apply
Email: ask@business.tas.gov.au **Phone:** 1800 440 026

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Business Growth Program

Funding Provider
Department of Trade, Business and Asian Relations (NT)

Location
NT

Funding Type
Cash Grant G15429

Primary Category
Business and industry

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Business

Funding
Amount: $2,000 to $10,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Business Growth Program provides funding for NT businesses to access professional advice systems and services to help them grow, develop and expand.

Overview

Funding of $2,000 to $10,000 is available to reimburse 50% of the costs of eligible services provided by an approved service provider.

You can access funding across a single or multiple applications within each financial year to a total of $10,000.

You can apply for a grant to reimburse the following services provided by an approved service provider:

- strategic business planning
- workforce development and planning
- people management
- cultural awareness
- marketing and communication planning
- digital marketing
- market research
- organisational governance
- work health and safety
- business improvement and innovation
- supply chain management and planning
- records and document management
- environment, social and governance
- procurement
- financial planning
- financial performance
- information and communication technology management.

Limitations

You are eligible if you:

- Hold a valid Australian Business Number (ABN)
- Meet the criteria for a Territory Enterprise
- Have a turnover of more than $75,000 but less than $10 million
- Have at least one full-time equivalent but no more than 50 full-time equivalent employees, including owners and directors

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G15429/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G15429/guidelines
Email: business.programs@nt.gov.au **Phone:** 1800 193 111

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Business Security & Safety Audit Program

Funding Provider
Department of Trade, Business and Asian Relations (NT)

Location
NT

Funding Type
Subsidised Goods And Services U00368

Primary Category
Business and industry

Eligible to
Business

Funding
$3,500
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

If you're a Northern Territory (NT) business you may be eligible to apply for help to access an audit of the security and safety of your premises, including worker safety.

Overview

The Business Security and Safety Audit Program helps businesses identify works required to deter and protect its premises and workers from crime and anti-social behaviour.

The program is designed to contribute to the safety and wellbeing of employees.

It will also help with reducing the incidents of:

- anti-social behaviour
- crime
- other security risks.

What you can get

Businesses can apply for a security and safety audit report for each premises it operates from.

Once an application is approved a voucher is issued.

How much the voucher value is depends on where your business is located.

- Darwin, Palmerston or the rural area: Your voucher value will be up to $3,000 (GST exclusive).
- Outside Darwin, Palmerston and the rural area: Your voucher value will be up to $3,500 (GST exclusive).

Under the same program, auditors can also register to be a supplier.

Limitations

Who can apply

To get a security audit report, eligible businesses can only use a registered security and safety auditor.

A list of registered security and safety auditors is available through the application process.

You can apply if your business meets the following criteria:

- must operate from a property situated in the NT
- be a Territory Enterprise
    - be compliant with all requirements under its governing legislation
    - and not be an excluded entity.

Who can't apply

You can’t apply if you’re any of the following:

- businesses which operate from premises other than fixed premises (for example, mobile businesses)
- publicly listed companies
- home based businesses or businesses operating from residential premises
- government and local government bodies and government related entities such as educational institutions, schools and hospitals
- businesses or organisations operating out of educational institutions/school grounds, including pre-schools.

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What's not funded

Any building works identified in the safety audit report.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00368/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00368/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00368/apply
Email: business.programs@nt.gov.au

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CSIRO Kick-Start Funding

Funding Provider
The Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation (CSIRO)

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G07964

Primary Category
Business and industry

Eligible to
Business

Funding
Amount: $10,000 to $50,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The CSIRO Kick-Start program helps Australian start-ups and small SMEs (small and medium-sized enterprises) access dollar-matched funding to undertake research and development (R&D) activities with CSIRO.

Overview

It is a targeted program, which forms part of CSIRO's strategic commitment to deepen our direct support for Australian technology start-ups and SMEs in areas of national growth priorities.

The research activities can include, for example, the development of prototypes, improving methods and processes, or the testing of novel materials to inform R&D.

Eligible companies within three years of registration, or with a turnover and operating expenditure of less than $10 million, can access a Kick-Start voucher of between $10k-50k (matched dollar-for-dollar to the company cash contribution) to assist in accessing CSIRO research capability.

SME Connect's dedicated Kick-Start team, along with other members of the wider SME Connect team, take a customer first approach and will assist in:

- Connecting the business to the best CSIRO research expertise, utilising our national CSIRO network of facilitators and contacts.
- Expediting the application process and helping with project design, if required, to ensure the project meets customer needs and expectations.
- Maintaining end-to-end engagement – remaining in communication with both researchers and businesses during the course of, and after completion of, the project, to ensure expectations are met, and knowledge transfer is smooth and effective.

The program forms part of the wider CSIRO SME Connect program, which provides facilitation and matched funding services to eligible SMEs with a turnover or expenditure of up to $100 million. For more information on our other offerings see www.csiro.au/SMEconnect

Limitations

Eligibility

Projects will be developed between the company and the relevant CSIRO researcher(s). If required this can be facilitated by the SME Connect team. Eligible projects must:

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- Include one of the following activities:
    - Research into a new idea or discovery with commercial potential
    - Development of a novel or improved product or process
    - Testing of a novel product, developed by the company, to inform research and development activities.
- Be delivered by CSIRO business units and/or facilities. This currently includes:
    - Agriculture and Food
    - Data61
    - Energy
    - Health and Biosecurity
    - Land and Water
    - Manufacturing
    - Mineral Resources
    - Oceans and Atmosphere
    - Services
    - Astronomy and Space Science
    - Australian Animal Health Laboratory (AAHL)
    - National Facilities and Collections
- Be less than 1 year in length
- Have a mutually agreed budget and scope of work

Businesses will need to provide evidence they meet the following criteria as part of the application process:

- Be registered, and have their primary place of business, within Australia. (Australian subsidiary companies of foreign entities are not eligible)
- Have an Australian Company number (ACN).
- Be a for-profit, non-tax exempt company which is registered for GST.
- Have an annual turnover and operating expenditure of less than $10 million, in the current and each of the two previous financial years OR
- Have been a registered company for less than 3 years.

Where a company is part of a corporate group, additional information may be requested regarding the group structure and operations to enable assessment of suitability for the Kick-Start program.

The Kick-Start voucher will NOT cover:

- Capital works and expenditure
- Infrastructure costs

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Email
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G07964/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G07964/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G07964/apply
Contact: Megan Sebben
Email: megan.sebben@csiro.au **Phone:** (03) 9545 8543

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Cyber Invest Business Program

Funding Provider
Department of Corporate and Digital Development (NT)

Location
NT

Funding Type
Rebate G19309

Primary Category
Business and industry

Eligible to
Business

Funding
$10,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **30 Jan 2026 6:30pm (ACST)**

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Purpose

The Cyber Invest Business Program is an initiative of the Northern Territory Government. It supports small to medium Territory businesses to improve their cybersecurity and resilience and protect against common cybersecurity threats and their impacts.

Overview

Eligible services under a Cyber Invest Plan include:

- implement cybersecurity controls uplift and associated business policy and process uplift, including implementation of software as a service (SaaS), and cyber assurance
- implement transition to managed service provider services or cloud services
- develop or review business continuity plans to incorporate cybersecurity incidents
- develop a cybersecurity incident plan
- undertake a cybersecurity incident exercise and evaluation.

Grant applicants must work with an approved service provider to develop a cyber invest plan proposal.

Funding up to $10,000 is available to reimburse 50% of the costs of eligible services provided by an approved service provider.

Before a business can apply you should complete a cybersecurity threat or risk assessment on your current digital environment and cybersecurity posture. Refer to the free resources at cyber.nt.gov.au

Limitations

To apply for a grant through the Cyber Invest Business Program, your small business must:

- be a Territory Enterprise
- have a valid Australian business number (ABN)
- have an annual turnover of more than $75,000 but less than $10 million
- have at least one and no more than 200 full-time equivalent employees, including owners and directors

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19309/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19309/guidelines
Email: cyber.invest@nt.gov.au **Phone:** 08 8999 3845

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Digital Jobs Program

Funding Provider
Department of Jobs, Skills, Industry and Regions (DJSIR) (VIC)

Location
VIC

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19776

Primary Category
Business and industry

Eligible to
Business

Funding
Amount: NaN to $5,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Digital Jobs program is a Victorian Government Economic Growth Statement initiative that provides Victorian businesses in the construction and advanced manufacturing sectors with access to free training to upskill leaders and workers with digital skills that are critical for innovation and technology adoption.

Overview

The program will support businesses to:

- utilise digital technologies to keep up to date with emerging changes in their industries; and

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- make informed and strategic decisions on technology adoption.

The Economic Growth Statement identifies digital technology as a priority sector for Victoria and this program issues 'vouchers' that allow eligible businesses to enrol their employees and senior leaders in relevant training courses and leadership workshops at no cost to the business. A business may access up to 5 vouchers per round subject to availability.

The training courses and workshops are detailed in the Digital Jobs Program Handbook https://business.vic.gov.au/djp

Applications will be accepted for the program in 4 rounds with training expected to commence: August 2025, February 2026, August 2026 and February 2027.

Limitations

The program is open to businesses in the construction and advanced manufacturing supply chain that want to better utilise their workforce by applying digital technology to their operations.

To be eligible to apply, the business must:

- be a legal entity1 with an operating presence in Victoria
- be a business operating in the construction and/or manufacturing sectors
- have a Australian Business Number (ABN) and held that ABN on and from 1 June 2025
- have been registered for Goods and Services Tax (GST) on and from 1 June 2025
- have met all industrial relations obligations as an employer in accordance with the National Employment Standards.

The following are not eligible to apply:

- individuals
- a sole trader that does not have employees
- partnerships
- Commonwealth, state and local government agencies or bodies
- publicly funded research institutions
- industry associations or business chambers
- community-based organisations.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19776/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19776/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19776/apply
Email: digitaljobsprogram@ecodev.vic.gov.au

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Digital Jobs program: Host Employer

Funding Provider
Department of Jobs, Skills, Industry and Regions (DJSIR) (VIC)

Location
VIC

Funding Type
Subsidised Goods And Services U00537

Primary Category
Business and industry

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- University
- State Govt
- Business
- Local Govt

Funding
Total Pool: Unknown

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Digital Jobs program is building a new talent pool of great people with digital skills to help meet the demand for in Victoria.

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Overview

The program offers specialist digital skills courses, leadership workshops and training for trades on the tools.

- Specialist digital skills courses will provide in-depth knowledge to enable digital transformation at an operational level
- Leadership workshops will inform strategic decision making on technology adoption
- Training for trades on the tools will upskill workers with specific skills.

Training will be available in the following areas:

- Artificial Intelligence (AI) / machine learning
- Building Information Modelling (BIM)
- Computer Aided Design/Computer Aided Manufacturing (CAD/CAM)
- Cybersecurity
- Data analytics
- Digital marketing
- Digital tools for small business management
- Emerging technologies
- Project management (agile)

The specialist digital skills training will typically be delivered part time over 6 weeks. The leadership workshops and training for trades on the tools will typically be delivered over one day and in-person.

Training rounds will commence from August 2025, February and August 2026 and February 2027.

Limitations

Who is eligible to apply?

To be eligible to apply, the business must:

- be a legal entity with an operating presence in Victoria
- be a business operating in the manufacturing and/or construction sectors
- have an Australian Business Number (ABN) and held that ABN on and from 1 June 2025
- have been registered for Goods and Services Tax (GST) on and from 1 June 2025
- have met all industrial relations obligations as an employer in accordance with the National Employment Standards.

To be eligible for free six-week training courses, the business must be a small to medium sized, employing business with less than 200 employees. The business must also agree:

- that they will make their nominated employee/s available for training in the selected training round;
- that they will provide an opportunity for the employee to apply the training 'on the job'; and
- that both the business and their employee/s will participate in any future program evaluation activities.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00537/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00537/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00537/apply
Email: digitaljobs@hudson.com **Phone:** 1300 172 949

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Digital Solutions - Australian Small Business Advisory Services

Funding Provider
Melbourne Innovation Centre

Location
VIC

Funding Type
Subsidised Goods And Services G07969

Primary Category
Business and industry

Eligible to
Business

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Digital Solutions are providing mentoring, workshops, and courses for digital skills.

Overview

Get access to tailored support to help grow your brand online. The Digital Solutions Program, funded by the Australian Government, gives you access to:

- 3 hours of 1:1 mentoring for $110 (subsidised, including GST)
- Free live workshops and webinars
- Over 20 short courses to build your skills

To apply for the program:

- Fill in the application form
- Once you've applied, pay the $110 mentoring package fee to access 1:1 tailored mentoring
- Select your mentor, schedule your sessions, register for a workshop and more.

Limitations

To be eligible for the program, you must be a for-profit business and:

- Be based in Victoria
- Hold an active ABN
- Have under 20 full-time equivalent employees

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G07969/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G07969/apply
Email: asbas@melbourneinnovation.com.au **Phone:** (03) 9490 1402

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Early Stage Venture Capital Limited Partnerships (ESVCLP)

Funding Provider
Department of Industry, Science and Resources

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G04621

Primary Category
Business and industry

Eligible to
Business

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Early Stage Venture Capital Limited Partnerships provides fund managers and investors with support to help stimulate early stage venture capital investments. Benefits include tax exemptions on an investor's share of a fund's income and tax gains.

Overview

The Early Stage Venture Capital Limited Partnership (ESVCLP) program aims to stimulate the early stage venture capital sector in Australia. The program:

- helps fund managers attract pooled capital, so they can raise new venture capital funds of between $10 million and $200 million to invest in innovative early stage businesses
- offers tax benefits to fund managers and investors
- connects investors with early stage businesses
- helps Australian businesses grow by receiving financial support and guidance from expert advisers

Fund managers can apply to Innovation and Science Australia to register a partnership as an ESVCLP.

The Department of Industry, Science, Energy and Resources and the Australian Taxation Office (ATO) jointly administer the program on behalf of the Australian Government.

How it works

An ESVCLP must be a new partnership rather than a restructured existing partnership.

Applicants must apply to Innovation and Science Australia's Innovation Investment Committee (the Committee) for registration under the Venture Capital Act 2002 (VCA).

The Committee will register a partnership as an ESVCLP if it meets certain eligibility criteria.

If registered, an ESVCLP can then make early stage venture capital investments in companies or unit trusts that are at the following stages of development:

- pre-seed
- seed
- startup
- early expansion

The investments must also meet other criteria and be held for a minimum of 12 months.

An ESVCLP must meet ongoing registration and reporting requirements under the VCA to maintain its registration.

Once registered both investors and fund managers can claim tax benefits. ESVCLP tax benefits differ for investors and fund managers.

Limitations

What are the eligibility criteria?

You can apply to register if you are:

- a new venture capital fund
- a limited partnership or an incorporated limited partnership
- established in Australia or a country that has a double tax agreement with Australia

You must have:

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- a general partner (often also the fund manager) who is a resident of either Australia or a country that has a double tax agreement with Australia
- between $10 million and $200 million in committed capital (although a partnership that doesn't satisfy this requirement may be eligible for conditional registration)

To contribute more than 30% of the committed capital, an investor must be a:

- bank
- life insurance entity
- widely held super fund
- widely held foreign venture capital fund of funds

All other investors are not able to contribute more than 30% of the committed capital, without the approval of the Committee.

In addition, you must have a qualifying partnership agreement that:

- ensures the partnership remains in existence for between 5 and 15 years
- requires partners to contribute capital when required
- prohibits adding new partners except as provided for in the agreement
- prohibits increasing committed capital except as provided for in the agreement
- confers on the general partner the right to require partners to contribute their committed capital to the partnership

The partnership agreement must also include a plan that:

- sets out the partnership's intended investment activities
- shows that the investment activities focus on making eligible venture capital investments in early stage venture capital businesses

Your partnership must also have access to the skills and resources needed to implement its approved investment plan.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G04621/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G04621/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G04621/apply
Email: venturecapital@industry.gov.au **Phone:** 13 28 46

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Energy Performance Services Grant

Funding Provider
Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water (DCCEEW) (NSW)

Location
NSW

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19580

Primary Category
Business and industry

Eligible to
Business

Funding
Amount: $0 to $50,000

Rounds
Closes **31 Mar 2026 5:00 pm**

Purpose

Energy Performance Services Grant helps eligible NSW businesses improve energy performance through effective use of submetering data.

Overview

This includes support for planning, access to energy monitoring and analytics software, data integration and connectivity, expert guidance and capability development.

This Grant objectives are to:

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- support NSW businesses to improve energy performance through enhanced energy data monitoring and analysis
- enable long-term monitoring and data-driven insights to support continuous improvement in energy performance and/or progress toward net zero goals
- enhance industry skills and knowledge while growing the market for businesses in supporting functions.

What costs you can apply for:

- Milestone 1
  - Up to $5,000 (excluding GST), covering up to 50% of the total cost of services provided by the specialist consultant(s) responsible for delivering milestone 1 activities. This involves assessing your needs and developing an energy monitoring and analysis plan that details the work to be completed for milestone 2.
- Milestone 2
  - Up to $45,000 (excluding GST), covering up to 50% of the total cost to implement the approved milestone 2 activities. This includes costs associated with:
    - energy monitoring software and analytics platforms
    - data integration and connectivity
    - technical guidance and support.

Limitations

To be eligible for this Grant, you must:

- have a current Australian Business Number (ABN) and be registered for goods and services tax (GST)
- deliver your energy monitoring and analysis plan implementation project at a NSW site address
- have sufficient metering and monitoring systems in place. The site must, as a minimum requirement, have some established submetering at the system or subsystem level to base the energy monitoring and analysis plan proposals and the proposed activities on
- spend a minimum of $200,000 annually on energy bills at your business site or demonstrate an equivalent annual on-site energy use of at least 3,600 gigajoules (GJ). This includes purchased fuels, except fuel for transport. You must submit the most recent available evidence, no more than 18 months old at the time of the application
- be the energy bill payer and have operational control of the site, with authority to undertake the grant milestone activities, and act on the outcomes accordingly. If you are not the site owner, you must have authorisation from the owner to undertake the project, and provide evidence of this in your application

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19580/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19580/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19580/apply
Email: energyefficiency.program@environment.nsw.gov.au

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Enterprise Acceleration Fund

Funding Provider
Queensland Investment Corporation

Location
QLD

Funding Type
Cash Grant G12650

Primary Category
Business and industry

Eligible to
Business

Funding
Amount: $500,000 to $2,500,000

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Enterprise Acceleration Fund will invest in innovative, early-stage Queensland companies, supporting increased access to investment capital and jobs growth.

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Overview

The Enterprise Acceleration Fund (EAF) invests in innovative, early-stage Australian businesses, who have the majority of their employees located in Queensland, from seed to Series A, to help grow their market share with funding between A $500,000 and A$2.5 million.

QIC encourage innovative Queensland businesses right across the state that are looking to grow to consider expressing interest in the Enterprise Acceleration Fund. To get in touch and tell them a little about your business, click here.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G12650/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G12650/apply
Email: qic@qic.com **Phone:** (07) 3360 3800

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Female Founders Co-Investment Fund

Funding Provider
Advance Queensland

Location
QLD

Funding Type
Cash Grant G12717

Primary Category
Business and industry

Eligible to
Business

Funding
Amount: $50,000 to $200,000

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Female Founders Co-Investment Fund is a pilot program which aims to support eligible businesses to leverage funding and secure new investment to build business capacity.

Overview

The Fund will:

- support Queensland female founders across a wide range of industries to grow their innovative businesses.
- assist Queensland female founders to grow their innovative businesses across a wide range of industries
- increase the number of female founders participating in the Queensland innovation ecosystem.
- help to grow an investment pipeline for female founded businesses.

Funding

The Fund provides grants from $50,000 to $200,000 (excluding GST) to Queensland based female founded businesses securing new investment. The grant will be matched with a 3:1 ratio (i.e. $1 in grant funding for every $3 of secured investment) awarded over a period of 12 months, for either a single investment or a raise round led by an eligible investment entity.

Limitations

Eligibility

To be eligible to apply, the applicant organisation must:

- be a Queensland based business
- have an ABN and be registered for GST
- be a 100% female-founded business
- have more than 50% female ownership
- have no more than 50 full-time equivalent employees
- not be a subsidiary of a group of companies that has more than 50 full-time equivalent employees in total
- not have received investment through previous capital raises, grant funding or accelerators totalling more than $500,000
- not be a current or past recipient of the Ignite Ideas Fund

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- be currently undertaking eligible pre-seed or seed investment from an approved eligible investor.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G12717/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G12717/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G12717/apply
Email: FemaleFounders@dtis.qld.gov.au

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First Nations Business Acceleration Program

Funding Providers
First Australians Capital
Advance Queensland

Location
QLD

Funding Type
Cash Grant G16960

Primary Category
Business and industry

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Business

Funding
$100,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **4 Feb 2027 9am**

Purpose

Boost innovation and entrepreneurial opportunities for mature Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander businesses in Queensland.

Overview

The First Nations Business Acceleration Program is a key program in the Innovation Division's portfolio to empower mature First Nations' businesses to scale and grow.

It accelerates business deals, through knowledge, funding, and connection into the prominent financial networks of First Australians Capital, and their partners; Queensland Investment Council (QIC), Queensland Indigenous Business Network (QIBN), Queensland Treasury, and Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation (CSIRO).

These empowered First Nations' businesses can prepare to attract new investors, expanding their reach, and creating more jobs - a testament to the strength and vitality of the First Nations' contribution to Queensland's economy.

The program is managed by First Australians Capital (FAC) - a national First Nations-led organisation that builds investment readiness and designs the right capital solutions for First Nations' businesses to thrive.

What does it involve?

The program offers a staged approach to assist mature Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander businesses and innovators to grow while also providing a framework and guidance for success.

This includes supporting First Nations' peoples to leverage their unique cultural knowledge and perspectives in the new economies.

What will recipients get?

Support under the program includes:

- Impact Investment: investment grants up to $100,000 to Queensland Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander innovative businesses looking to accelerate. The grants will help First Nations' businesses pursue innovation and take calculated risks, supporting their growth and wealth creation
- Business Strategic Advisory Services: a targeted fund to cover costs of essential business strategic advisory services. A dedicated project leader will support First Nations' founders and companies in areas of fundamental business skills, legal, finance, marketing, mentoring, and grant and tender writing.

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Limitations

The First Nations Business Acceleration Program is for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander innovative businesses in Queensland who are established and looking to scale.

You may be eligible if you are a First Nations owned business that:

- Is established and operating in Queensland
- Are currently developing an innovative product or service
- Are seeking advisory support and possible funding to accelerate the innovation

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G16960/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G16960/apply
Email: info@firstaustralianscapital.org

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First Nations Tourism Mentoring Program (FNTMP) - Mentees

Funding Provider
National Indigenous Australians Agency

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Pro Bono Services U00376

Primary Category
Business and industry

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Business

Funding
Total Pool: $10,000,000

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The FNTMP can support you to grow your tourism business by connecting you with expert advice, tailored learning and access to culturally respectful industry specialists.

Overview

If you are a First Nations tourism business and you have aspirations to grow, the FNTMP will give you access to free one-on-one mentoring, delivered in a way which suits your needs.

The FNTMP can support you to grow your tourism business by:

- connecting you with industry professionals who can provide free, one-on-one advice
- and culturally respectful support
- providing access to a suite of learning supports and resources developed for and tailored to the First Nations tourism sector.

The mentoring will be delivered by industry specialists who have:

- tourism industry knowledge and experience including understanding of local tourism opportunities
- experience working in a culturally appropriate and respectful manner with First Nations businesses and/or communities
- previous experience providing business advice and support (including mentoring) and/or owning and operating a business.

It is a flexible program and the mentoring will be a mixture of face to face and online as preferred.

Mentees will have an initial, one-on-one meeting with their mentor to discuss the current state of their business, their goals and objectives and to agree on the duration and frequency of mentoring as per the table below.

Limitations

The FNTMP is open to businesses that are:

- at least 50 percent First Nations-owned

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- currently operating in the tourism sector or associated supply chain (e.g. cafes and restaurants, accommodation providers, etc.)
- that are active and currently in operation and have products or services which are or can be made available to domestic and/or international visitors.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00376/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00376/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00376/apply
Email: fntmp@deloitte.com.au **Phone:** 1800 716 844

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Industry Growth Program

Funding Provider
Department of Industry, Science and Resources

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G13677

Primary Category
Business and industry

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Business
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
Amount: $50,000 to $5,000,000
Total Pool: $287,000,000

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The program provides an Advisory Service for startups and small and medium enterprises (SMEs) undertaking innovative commercialisation and/or growth projects that are within the priority areas of the Australian Government's National Reconstruction Fund (NRF) and help build Australia's manufacturing capability for the future.

Overview

The program consists of two core elements:

- the Industry Growth Program Advisory Service (Advisory Service), and
- the Industry Growth Program Grant Opportunities (grant opportunities).

Industry Growth Program Advisory Service:

Industry Growth Program Advisers (the Advisers), engaged by the department, will provide innovative SMEs tailored advice to support their commercialisation and/or growth projects in NRF priority areas.

The Advisory Service is available to all eligible businesses and will be a prerequisite for participation in the program's grant opportunities. It will be expected that program participants have considered the advice received through this element of the program in their applications for grant funding.

Industry Growth Program Grant Opportunities:

The program's Advisory Service is complemented by two grant opportunities. You can learn more and apply on GrantConnect:

- **Early-Stage Commercialisation:** grants of $50,000 to $250,000 to support early-stage commercialisation projects - more information here
- **Commercial and growth stream:** grants of $100,000 to $5 million for commercialisation and growth projects - more information here

See a comparison of the grant streams here.

The Australian Government has committed a total of $287 million over four years for the Industry Growth Program grant opportunities from 2023-24 to 2026-27. There is no specific amount allocated to each of the two funding streams. The maximum amount of grant funding you (and your related bodies corporate) can receive across both funding streams is $5.25 million.

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Limitations

You can apply if you:

- have a combined annual turnover of less than $20 million for each of the three financial years prior to the lodgement of the application
- have an Australian business number (ABN)
- are non-income-tax-exempt, and
- are registered for the Goods and Services Tax (GST).

You must also be:

- a company, incorporated in Australia
- a co-operative, or
- an incorporated trustee applying on behalf of a trust.

You can't apply if you are:

- an organisation, or your project partner is an organisation, included on the National Redress Scheme's list of Institutions that have not joined or signified their intent to join the Scheme
- an employer of 100 or more employees that has not complied with the Workplace Gender Equality Act (2012)
- an individual
- partnership
- trust (however, an incorporated trustee may apply on behalf of a trust), or
- a Commonwealth, state or local government agency or body (including government business enterprises).

Advisory Service Eligibility Criteria:

To participate in the Industry Growth Program and receive Advisory Services, you must meet the following eligibility criteria. They cannot consider your application if you do not satisfy all eligibility criteria.

To be eligible for participation in the program's Advisory Service you must:

- have an Australian Business Number (ABN)
- be non-income-tax-exempt # be registered for the Goods and Services Tax (GST)

and be one of the following entities:

- a company, incorporated in Australia
- a co-operative
- an incorporated trustee applying on behalf of a trust

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G13677/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G13677/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G13677/apply
Phone: 13 28 46

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King Island Subdivision Scheme

Funding Provider
Department of State Growth (TAS)

Location
TAS

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19701

Primary Category
Business and industry

Eligible to
Business

Funding
$25,000

Rounds
Closes **29 May 2026**

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Purpose

The program is a Tasmanian Government initiative supporting the delivery of new land to market on King Island by helping to cover the costs of development.

Overview

The Tasmanian Government has committed $1.2 million to the program.

Rebates of up to $25,000 per lot are available to developers to help cover the cost of labour, materials, freight, road infrastructure and utility connections. Rebates can be claimed for a maximum of 12 lots per developer.

Approved applicants can elect to be paid in instalments to assist with their cash flow. At the time of application, the applicant must have already incurred and paid in full at least $5,000 of eligible costs per lot. Details on the process for payments are included in the grant program guidelines below.

Claimed lots must be brought to market within 18 months of the date the grant funding agreement is signed.

Limitations

Applicants are encouraged to read the eligibility requirements prior to submitting an application.

Applicants must meet all the eligibility criteria to apply for a grant.

Applicants must note that:

- applications submitted by a third party will not be accepted without evidence of permission in the application.
- you may be asked to provide information or documentation to support your eligibility claims, either as part of the application process, or after you have submitted your application.
- the information you provide may be subject to third party authenticity checks.
- this program has limited funding. If funding is exhausted, not all eligible applications will receive a grant.

Eligibility criteria

Ownership

- Applicants must be the owner(s) of the land which is the subject of the application, and their name must be on the title (please note, only a property search through the Land Titles Office will be accepted as evidence of ownership).
- All interested parties (that is all title holders) must be named as applicants.
- Applicants that are natural persons must be aged over 18 years.

Eligible developments

- 'Lots' are vacant parcels of land for which there is a single title arising from a subdivision. It does not include strata titles. The maximum number of lots for which a grant can be claimed is 12.
- A grant agreement may relate to multiple stages and/or developments, but cumulative funding may not exceed the maximum of $25,000 per lot, for 12 lots.
- The minimum claim per lot is $5,000.
- The maximum cumulative number of lots that can be claimed by any given applicant, including where they apply jointly with other applicants or across several developments, is 12.
- Only one grant agreement will be issued per development approval (i.e., per council permit).
- The development approval must not have been used for a prior approved grant agreement under the program, or the Residential Land Rebate program.
- The development must be within the King Island Council Local Government Area, on land zoned residential, which is land where residential use is classed as 'Permitted' or 'No Permit Required'.
- Claimed lots must be brought to market (see definition of 'bringing to market') within 18 months of the date the grant funding agreement is signed. The process must be on commercial terms and at arm's length from the developer.

Eligible costs

- Grants can be claimed for eligible costs directly related to:

1. The construction or installation of, or connection to, eligible utilities for the lot/s.
2. Other works reasonably required to undertake the development of the lot/s, including but not limited to the construction and installation of road and stormwater infrastructure.
3. electrical distribution.
4. telecommunications networks, including the National Broadband Network.
5. water and sewerage infrastructure (including septic and rainwater tanks).
6. design
7. materials
8. civil works and labour
9. air and sea freight within King Island, and between King Island and an Australian port
10. air and sea transport of specialist labourers between King Island and an Australian port
11. The eligible utilities are:

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12. Eligible costs are those which have been incurred and paid in full on or after 1 January 2025. They must be related to the lots which are the subject of the grant, and may include:
13. Applicants will be required to identify the lots which are the subject of the grant agreement in their application.
14. At the time of application, the applicant must have already incurred and paid in full at least $5,000 of eligible costs per lot. The remaining allocated funds can then be claimed in accordance with clause 9.1 - Grant instalments.

Program administration

17. To be eligible, the applicant must provide all information and evidence reasonably requested by State Growth. This includes evidence of a valid planning permit for each development from the King Island Council.
18. Applications will only be accepted when they are complete and made using the approved form made available by State Growth.
19. The program will close on 29 May 2026 or when the program's funding allocation has been fully allocated, whichever occurs first. No further applications will be accepted after this time. Applications will be assessed in order of receipt.
20. State Growth may consider the reputation of the applicants, and the conduct of the applicants in relation to any other grant programs managed by the Tasmanian Government, when assessing their eligibility for a grant.

Definitions
Bringing to market: State Growth defines 'bringing to market' to mean; advertising vacant land through a medium or process through which it is listed for sale, and more than one person can bid for that land, for a price that implies a level of commerciality.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19701/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19701/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19701/apply

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Local Battery Manufacturing Program: Production Scale-Up Funding

Funding Provider
Department of Energy and Economic Diversification (WA)

Location
WA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19594

Primary Category
Business and industry

Eligible to
Business

Funding
$5,000,000
Total Pool: $50,000,000

Rounds
Closes **20 Mar 2026**

Purpose

The Local Battery Manufacturing Program provides eligible applicants up to $5 million in financial support to existing battery manufacturers for projects that scale-up their operations.

Overview

The Production Scale-up Stream provides up to $5 million in financial support to existing battery manufacturers for projects that scale-up their operations, including through purchase of capital equipment, workforce training, costs associated with upgrading existing or new premises, and engaging business or manufacturing expertise including:

- enhancing their capability and capacity to manufacture batteries;
- improving competitiveness and market share;
- creating diversification across the manufacturing supply chain;
- lowering the commercial risk and uncertainty which can be associated with manufacturing activities; and/or
- creating jobs.

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Limitations

To be considered eligible for funding under the Stream, applicants must meet all the following criteria at the time of application submission:

- Have an Australian Business Number (ABN).
- Have a minimum of 50% Australian ownership.
- Be a for-profit entity, or an incorporated not-for-profit Aboriginal Corporation operating as a commercial enterprise.
- Be a legally registered entity that can enter into a Financial Assistance Agreement (FAA) with the Department, and can include a corporate trustee applying on behalf of a trust.
- Be operating within the battery energy storage supply chain, within the scope identified in 1.3 of the Guidelines.
- Have been operating for at least 12 months at the time of the application submission or have evidence of market acceptance of the Project (e.g. offtake agreements).
- Be registered for GST for a minimum of 12 months and intend to remain registered for a further 12 months at minimum.
- Be a solvent business and remain so throughout the Project duration.
- Provide evidence of a physical business presence including FTEs in Western Australia. Where a business operates in multiple locations, headquarters may be located outside of WA.
- Businesses seeking funding for activities in support of full or partial relocation of operations to Western Australia will only be considered where:
    - sufficient intent to establish local presence is demonstrated (e.g. evidence of engagement with a commercial real estate agent to acquire or lease business premises in WA).
    - the relocation introduces new forms of activity into the Western Australian economy i.e. when it does not directly complete with existing Western Australian manufacturers.
- Be a business that intends to continue operating in Western Australia for at least another 3 years or until the completion of the funded Project, whichever is longest, and to progress any completed grant-funded and flow-on activities and outcomes in Western Australia.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19594/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19594/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19594/apply
Email: Batteries.Manufacturing@jtsi.wa.gov.au

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Local Battery Manufacturing Program: Production-Ready Funding

Funding Provider
Department of Energy and Economic Diversification (WA)

Location
WA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19595

Primary Category
Business and industry

Eligible to
Business

Funding
$100,000
Total Pool: $50,000,000

Rounds
Closes **30 Jan 2026**

Purpose

The Local Battery Manufacturing Program provides eligible applicants up to $100,000 in matched financial support to businesses for projects involving pre-production activities.

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Overview

This Stream's objectives are to:

- fund activities that facilitate enhanced capacity, capability and competitiveness in battery energy storage supply chain participation;
- reduce entry barriers to established battery energy storage markets or supply chains; and/or
- lower the commercial risk and uncertainty often associated with pre-production manufacturing activities

The Production-Ready Stream provides eligible applicants up to $100,000 in matched funding to businesses for projects in 3 categories of pre-production activities. These are precursors to the manufacturing of batteries and battery components at scale and include

- selected, late-stage feasibility studies;
- prototype development; and
- testing and accreditation.

Limitations

To be considered eligible for funding under the Stream, applicants must meet all the following criteria at the time of application submission:

- Have an Australian Business Number (ABN).
- Be a for-profit entity, or an incorporated not-for-profit Aboriginal Corporation operating as a commercial enterprise.
- Be a legally registered entity that can enter into a Financial Assistance Agreement (FAA) with the Department, and can include a corporate trustee applying on behalf of a trust.
- Be operating within the battery energy storage supply chain, within the scope identified in 1.3 of the Guidelines.
- Have been operating for at least 12 months at the time of the application submission or have evidence of market acceptance of the Project (e.g. offtake agreements).
- Be registered for GST for a minimum of 12 months and intend to remain registered for further 12 months at a minimum.
- Be a solvent business and remain so throughout the Project duration.
- Provide evidence of a physical business presence including FTEs in Western Australia. Where a business operates in multiple locations, headquarters may be located outside of Western Australia.
- Businesses seeking funding for activities in support of full or partial relocation of operations to Western Australia will only be considered where:
    - sufficient intent to establish local presence is demonstrated (e.g. evidence of engagement with a commercial real estate agent to acquire or lease business premises in Western Australia).
    - the relocation introduces new forms of activity into the Western Australian economy i.e. when it does not directly complete with existing Western Australian manufacturers.
- Be a business that intends to continue operating in Western Australia for at least another 3 years and to progress any completed grant-funded and flow-on activities and outcomes in Western Australia.
- Applications involving a consortia or partnerships are welcome, including involving government entities and not-for-profit organisations, but will require a clear lead who meets all the above eligibility criteria. In this case, operations and governance structures will need to be included as part of the application.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19595/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19595/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19595/apply
Email: Batteries.Manufacturing@jtsi.wa.gov.au

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Mentally Healthy Workplaces Program

Funding Providers
WorkSafe Victoria
Victorian Chamber of Commerce and Industry (VCCI)

Location
VIC

Funding Type
Pro Bono Services U00737

Primary Category
Business and industry

Eligible to
Business

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Mentally Healthy Workplaces Program is a free initiative to help small and medium-sized Victorian businesses to identify and manage psychosocial risks.

Overview

Delivered by AP Psychology & Consulting Services in partnership with the Victorian Chamber of Commerce and Industry, the program provides expert guidance and digital tools tailored to the needs of each business.

Over the next 12 months, the program will work directly with 300 eligible businesses.

What you'll receive (at no cost):

- Dedicated AP Psychology & Consulting Services Consultant to support you through the full program
- A co-designed psychological health and safety action plan with targeted controls
- Validated psychosocial risk assessment, aligned with ISO 45003 and the common psychosocial hazards identified by WorkSafe Victoria
- Micro-learning modules for leaders and staff aligned to your workplace's psychosocial risk profile through TM Thrive
- Access to the TM Thrive Platform with clear insights into your psychosocial risk profile and controls
- Ongoing consultation to implement the psychological health and safety action plan

Please note the program does not have a close date however the spots are limited.

Limitations

To be eligible, a business must:

- Have fewer than 200 employees
- Be based in Victoria
- Hold a current WorkCover policy within Victoria
- Employ workers located in Victoria
- Have a low level of maturity in workplace psychosocial safety

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00737/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00737/apply
Website: https://www.victorianchamber.com.au/contact-us **Phone:** 03 8662 5365

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Metering Plan Implementation Grant

Funding Provider
Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water (DCCEEW) (NSW)

Location
NSW

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19579

Primary Category
Business and industry

Eligible to
Business

Funding
Amount: $20,001 to $100,000

Rounds
Closes **30 Apr 2026 5:00 pm**

Purpose

Metering Plan Implementation Grant round 2 helps eligible NSW businesses with implementing comprehensive metering and monitoring upgrades, informed by detailed metering and monitoring plans.

Overview

Metering Plan Implementation Grant round 2 provides eligible NSW businesses between $20,001-$100,000 funding covering up to 50% of costs to implement comprehensive metering and monitoring upgrades, informed by detailed metering and monitoring plans.

The Grant objectives are to:

- improve energy performance in NSW businesses.
- enable businesses to identify, prepare and verify energy and emissions reduction projects.
- provide robust data to site managers to make informed investment decisions that help achieve net zero emissions objectives.
- demonstrate the link between energy metering and monitoring systems and energy and cost savings.

What costs you can apply for

- Costs to install and commission permanent submeters that are required for measuring energy performance.
- Hardware and integration with software needed to monitor energy use.
- First-year subscription to a new data management system.
- Post-installation system handover and data onboarding support during the project.

Limitations

To be eligible for this Grant, you must:

- have a current Australian Business Number (ABN) and be registered for goods and services tax (GST)
- deliver your metering plan implementation project at a NSW site address
- spend a minimum of $200,000 annually on energy bills for your business site, or demonstrate an equivalent annual on-site energy use of at least 3,600 gigajoules (GJ). This includes purchased fuels, except fuel for transport. You must submit the most recent available evidence, no more than 18 months old at the time of the application, unless an exception is granted
- be the energy bill payer and have operational control of the site, with authority to install submetering and act on the insights it provides. If you are not the site owner, you must have authorisation from the owner to undertake the project, and provide evidence of this in your application
- have a complex energy system including, but not limited to, a combination of:
    - multiple processes
    - multiple distribution systems
    - multiple energy types
    - multiple end uses
- have an up-to-date energy metering and monitoring plan and a metering schedule dated within 3 years of your application submission
- have valid itemised quotes, detailing individual costs for submeters, software items and activities. Lump-sum quotes will not be considered.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19579/info

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Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19579/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19579/apply
Email: energyefficiency.program@environment.nsw.gov.au

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Microsoft product discounts and donations

Funding Provider
Microsoft

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Subsidised Goods And Services U00275

Primary Category
Business and industry

Eligible to
Not-for-Profit
DGR Required

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Microsoft product discounts and donations for nonprofits gives access to discounted and donated Microsoft tools and services.

Overview

To access Microsoft's nonprofit offers, please register and confirm your organisation's eligibility.

1. Gather documents that prove your organisation's eligibility, as described on the Eligibility page. Now you're ready to begin the registration process.
2. Microsoft will evaluate your potential eligibility. Registration review may take up to 7 days. You will receive an email notifying you if your registration has been approved.
3. Once your registration is approved, you can access the Nonprofit Hub to take advantage of customised offerings to ensure collaboration, productivity, and security of your organisation.

What's on offer

Microsoft provides grants and discounts for eligible nonprofit organizations, including cloud services like Microsoft 365, Azure and Dynamics 365, Surface hardware, on-premises software, and digital skilling.

What determines discount my organisation will receive?

To provide nonprofits transparency and help with IT planning, Microsoft will provide up to a 75% discount on core products for cloud and on-premises products, and up to a 60% discount on premium products. Exact pricing may vary by purchase channel due to value added partner services and additional support levels offered to nonprofits.

Limitations

Is my organisation eligible?

Organisations must be deductible gift recipients (DGRs) endorsed by the Australian Taxation Office (ATO) or listed by name in the tax law; charities registered with the Australian Charities and Nonprofits Commission (ACNC); or income tax exempt not-for-profit organisations as defined by the ATO.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00275/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00275/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00275/apply
Website: https://nonprofit.microsoft.com/en-us/contactus

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National Energy Bill Relief for Small Businesses (Embedded Networks)

Funding Provider
Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water (DCCEEW) (NSW)

Location
NSW

Funding Type
Rebate U00512

Primary Category
Business and industry

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Business

Funding
$150
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The 2025-26 National Energy Bill Relief program helps NSW small businesses pay their electricity bills.

Overview

A small business that is paid the National Energy Bill Relief Small Business Payment for the 2025-26 financial year only, except if your business has already received it for the 2025-26 financial year, and regardless of whether the payment is paid as a lump-sum or in instalments up to a maximum of $150.

- Payment or reimbursement of monies paid will be made via EFT to the Australian bank account nominated by you that is in the name of the business.
- The Energy Bill Relief Small Business Payment is available only for electricity bills.
- You must notify the Department immediately if you no longer meet the eligibility criteria in clause 3 or can no longer comply with these Terms and Conditions;
- In accordance with clause 2.2, if an electricity retailer or the Department identifies a business that has already received the National Energy Bill Relief Small Business Payment in the 2025-26 financial year, the National Energy Bill Relief Small Business Payment may be reversed by your energy retailer.

Limitations

To be eligible for the National Energy Bill Relief Small Business Payment the business must:

1. operate in New South Wales; and
2. have an active ABN as listed on the Australian Business Register; and
3. be an on-supply customer whose business name appears on the electricity account for supply to its place of business; and
4. be a small customer as defined in the National Energy Retail Law (NSW) based on total annual electricity consumption across all sites included on that customer's electricity accounts. *Eligibility should be read in accordance with the NSW Social Programs for Energy Code.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00512/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00512/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00512/apply
Email: smallbusinessbillrelief@energysaver.nsw.gov.au

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New Business Support Pilot Program - Business Advisor Grant Program

Funding Provider
Department of State Growth (TAS)

Location
TAS

Funding Type
Pro Bono Services G16553

Primary Category
Business and industry

Eligible to
Business

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Free and independent business advice for start-ups and early-stage businesses.

Overview

The New Business Support Pilot Program connects those intending to start a business, or those who have had an Australian Business Number (ABN) for less than 12 months, with advisors who can provide up to two hours of free business advice.

The service is available to start-ups and new small businesses with 19 or fewer Full Time Equivalent (FTE) employees.

Businesses that have had an ABN for more than 12 months can access free advice under the Tasmanian Business Advice Service.

New Business Support Pilot Program advisors can help you with topics like:

- establishing a business structure
- determining business viability
- financial forecasting
- identifying new opportunities.

You can meet online with any advisor located across the state, or meet in person by visiting the advisor located within your region.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G16553/info
Email: ask@business.tas.gov.au **Phone:** 1800 440 026

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Powering the Regions Fund - Industrial Transformation Stream (ITS)

Funding Providers
PricewaterhouseCoopers (PwC)
Australian Renewable Energy Agency (ARENA)

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19256

Primary Category
Business and industry

Eligible to
Business

Funding
$500,000
Total Pool: $400,000,000

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Industrial Transformation Stream supports the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions at existing industrial facilities in regional Australia.

Overview

The ITS Program is an open, ongoing program which will run until 2027 or until funds are exhausted or otherwise terminated or extended at ARENA's discretion. Any updates to active Focus Areas will be published on ARENAs' website.

The objectives of the ITS Program are to:

- Support industrial facilities in regional Australia to reduce emissions in line with Australia's 2030 emissions reduction goals and transition to net zero by 2050.
- Improve technology readiness and commercial readiness of renewable energy technologies, energy efficiency technologies and electrification technologies that will result in a significant reduction in scope 1 and/or scope 2 emissions or improve the energy efficiency of an industrial process or processes.
- Encourage technology demonstration, collaboration and knowledge sharing across industry and/or regions.
- Support upskilling of existing industrial workforce in new decarbonisation activities.

Opened in September 2025, ARENA has allocated the remaining $180 million of ITS funding towards Round 3. This is an open, ongoing round where ARENA will remain open to new applications until ITS grant funding is exhausted.

Round 3's Focus Areas are:

- Innovation in industrial decarbonisation, and
- Advancing commercial deployment.

The Program can support projects ranging from feasibility studies and front-end engineering and design (FEED) to trials, demonstrations and deployment. Two-stage projects combining a study and subsequent deployment will also be considered.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19256/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19256/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19256/apply
Email: industrialtransformation@arena.gov.au

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ReCFIT - PowerSmart for Small Business

Funding Provider
Department of State Growth (TAS)

Location
TAS

Funding Type
Cash Grant G15678

Primary Category
Business and industry

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Business

Funding
$1,000
Total Pool: $450,000

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The objective of the Government's "PowerSmart for Small Business" initiative is to help Tasmanian small businesses save money by becoming more energy efficient.

Overview

The Government has allocated $450,000 per year for PowerSmart for Small Business over four years ($1.8 million in total), from 2024-25 to 2027-28.

Grants of up to $1,000 will be available per eligible small business towards the cost of conducting an energy efficiency audit, to be undertaken by an independent energy auditor.

Businesses may voluntarily spend more than $1,000 on an eligible energy efficiency audit. However, the grant subsidy provided will be capped at $1,000 per business.

If a business pays for an energy audit service that costs less than $1,000, the business will only be eligible for a subsidy equal to reimbursement of the actual cost incurred.

Grants will be paid as a reimbursement after an eligible business has incurred the cost of the audit.

Applications will be assessed in order of receipt using the eligibility criteria.

Limitations

To be eligible for a grant you must:

1. have an active Australian Business Number (ABN) continuously since on or before 1 March 2024*
2. employ between 1 and 19 full time equivalent (FTE) employees**
3. be a business primarily operating in Tasmania
4. have paid for, and received, an independent energy efficiency audit in line with these guidelines after 11 April 2024.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G15678/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G15678/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G15678/apply
Email: powersmart@recfit.tas.gov.au **Phone:** (03) 6165 4044

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Screen Attraction Program

Funding Provider
City of Gold Coast

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G11601

Primary Category
Business and industry

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Business
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
$250,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Screen Attraction Program provides incentives to attract film and television productions to the Gold Coast and generate investment in the regional economy.

Overview

The Program's purpose is to:

- grow the level of screen production on the Gold Coast
- grow the level of post-production on the Gold Coast
- attract key industry professionals to the Gold Coast
- provide 2 days of location scouting for specific productions in final financing stage to 'lock-in' the production for the Gold Coast
- create ongoing employment opportunities for Gold Coast residents
- provide opportunities for Gold Coast businesses to supply goods and services to the screen industry.

Funding

Value of Gold Coast expenditure (AUD)	Funding Amount	Minimum ROI
$750,000 to $2 million	$50,000	15:1
$2 million to $5 million	$60,000	33:1
$5 million to $10 million	$75,000	66:1
$10 million to $20 million	$100,000	100:1
$20 million to $30 million	$150,000	133:1
$30 million to $50 million	$200,000	150:1
Over $50 million	$250,000	200:1

Limitations

Eligibility

- Screen productions can be feature films, television programs (including drama, documentaries, factual, reality, entertainment series), games, animation, SVOD and online content.
- Applicants can be international, national or Gold Coast productions or post-production, games, animation and visual effects studios with a track record of successfully delivering and screening completed projects.
- Productions must have an Australian broadcast or screening in place or under negotiation.
- Applications must be made by the company responsible for undertaking the activities of production.
- The production and/or post-production office of the program must be located on the Gold Coast.
- A minimum Gold Coast production or post-production expenditure of $750,000.
- Applications must be made prior to the completion of pre-production.

Assessment criteria

- number of Gold Coast employees being a minimum of 50% of total crew roles
- value of Gold Coast investment

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G11601/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G11601/guidelines

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G11601/apply

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Email: film@goldcoast.qld.gov.au **Phone:** 0418 855 404

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Secure Communities Partnerships Program - Small business grant

Funding Provider
Department of Customer Services, Open Data and Small and Family Business (QLD)

Location
QLD

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19584

Primary Category
Business and industry

Eligible to
Business

Funding
Amount: $5,000 to $20,000

Rounds
Closes **30 Jan 2026 5pm**

Purpose

The Secure Communities Partnership Program funds safety measures to deter crime against small and family businesses and create safer and more vibrant business areas.

Overview

The program aims to protect small and family businesses from crime and economic losses, through the installation of vital safety and security infrastructure. This will create safer public commercial precincts and business strips and improve the operating environment for small and family businesses across Queensland.

Multiple rounds of funding will be available for small businesses.

Small and family businesses who have been significantly impacted by crime in the last 3 years can apply for grants of between $5,000 and $20,000 (excluding GST). You must co-contribute at least 50% towards total project costs. Closing date for submission of applications is 5pm, Friday 30 January 2026 unless funding is exhausted beforehand.

Limitations

At the time of applying, and for the duration of the funded project, your business must:

- have less than 20 employees
- have a turnover in the last financial year (2024-25) of $10 million or less-'turnover' is aggregated turnover as defined in the *Income Tax Assessment Act 1997*
- have been significantly impacted by crime in the past 3 years-defined as when a police report and/or crime-related insurance claim has been made
- be operating, and have an active Australian Business Number (ABN)^
- have a minimum trading history of 1 year
- be registered for GST^ (as per your Australian Business Register (ABR) record)
- have a registered Queensland headquarters location^ (as per your ABR record)
- not be insolvent or have owners/directors that are currently bankrupt or undischarged from bankruptcy^
- not be a subsidiary of a group of companies that has 20 or more employees in total.^

^ Your business must maintain this eligibility for the duration of the grant funded project.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19584/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19584/guidelines

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19584/apply
Email: grants@desbt.qld.gov.au **Phone:** 13 74 68

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Self Employment Assistance Program

Funding Provider
Department of Employment and Workplace Relations

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Subsidised Goods And Services U00395

Primary Category
Business and industry

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Business

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Self-Employment Assistance can help you turn your business idea or existing small business into a viable business.

Overview

Self-Employment Assistance can help you with your business idea or existing business through its flexible services including:

- Exploring Self-Employment Workshops
- Business Plan Development
- free accredited Small Business Training
- Business Advice Sessions
- Business Health Checks
- Small Business Coaching.

How to participate

Self-Employment Assistance is **delivered in 51 Regions across Australia** by a network of Self-Employment Assistance providers.

To access Self-Employment services, contact your local Self-Employment Assistance provider to discuss your eligibility and options.

Limitations

Eligibility

To be eligible you must:

- be at least 15 years of age (a person must be 18 years of age to access Small Business Coaching)
- be:
    - an Australian citizen, or
    - the holder of a permanent visa, or a nominated Visa Holder (including a New Zealand Special Category Visa, Temporary Protection Visa Holder and a Safe Haven Visa Holder)
- not be an undischarged bankrupt
- meet any additional eligibility criteria specific to the Service(s) which they have chosen, including any criteria in the Chapter for the relevant Service.

Some services available through Self-Employment Assistance will also have additional eligibility criteria. For example, to access Small Business Coaching you must have an eligible business idea or existing business. This means your business idea or existing business must:

- be either a new business or a micro-business (up to 4 employees) at risk of not operating commercially
- be assessed as viable by your Self-Employment Assistance provider
- have an independent business structure
- be lawful and capable of withstanding public scrutiny
- be established, located, and operated solely within Australia
- be structured so you will maintain a controlling interest over the business through your time accessing the Services.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00395/info

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Small Business & Charities Electricity Bill Relief - Embedded Networks

Funding Provider
Small Business Development Corporation (WA)

Location
WA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19489

Primary Category
Business and industry

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Business

Funding
$150

Rounds
Closes **31 Mar 2026**

Purpose

The Energy Price Relief Rebates are an initiative agreed of the Commonwealth government as part of the Australian Government's plan to reduce cost-of-living pressures. These rebates are aimed at reducing the cost of electricity bills for eligible small businesses.

Overview

Synergy and Horizon Power will be delivering the rebates to small businesses in WA that are their direct customers, for example, they are not part of an embedded network. The payments will not be paid directly to these businesses but will be credited to electricity bills.

The Small Business Development Corporation (SBDC) has been identified as the agency that will administer and deliver the Small Business Electricity Bill Relief program ("the payment") to the remaining eligible small businesses and charitable organisations that operate in embedded networks in WA.

This will be in the form of a direct payment of $150 to the bank accounts of eligible businesses. Embedded networks include examples such as shopping centres, businesses operating from airports, ports and industrial parks, businesses that have a sub-meter linked to a master meter controlled by the landlord, and circumstances where landlords purchase electricity from energy providers and on-sell the electricity to their small business tenants.

Limitations

To be eligible for the Small Business Electricity Bill Relief, the applicant must meet all the criteria listed below:

1. Have held a valid and active ABN as a small business or charity without interruption since 1 July 2025 and for the period covered by their application.
2. Be a small business or charity consuming LESS than 50 megawatt hours (MWh) of electricity per year or where this is not measured, be liable for less than $15,000 per annum in electricity costs.
3. The small businesses or charity was incurring electricity costs on 1 July 2025.
4. If not on an embedded network/submetering arrangement, would otherwise fall within the scope of one of the following electricity retail tariff classes as specified in the Energy Operators (Electricity Generation and Retail Corporation) (Charges) By-laws 2006 or the Energy Operators (Regional Power Corporation) (Charges) By-laws 2006:

a. C1 or C2

b. D1 or D2

c. L1or L2

d. R1 or R2

5. Must occupy a commercial premises as owner or tenant in Western Australia and is currently trading.

6. Not be directly billed by Synergy or Horizon Power.

7. Be receiving power on-supplied via an embedded network/submetering arrangement.

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Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
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Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19489/apply

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Small Business Export Loan

Funding Provider
Export Finance Australia

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Low Or No-interest Loan U00250

Primary Category
Business and industry

Eligible to
Business

Funding
Amount: $20,000 to $350,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Small Business Export Loan provides small to medium export businesses with loans to cover up to 80% of the costs to secure an export contract or purchase order with an overseas buyer.

Overview

Small Business Export Loans helps businesses looking to grow through exporting.

The loans are designed to meet the specific needs of small and medium sized enterprises (SMEs), to help them take advantage of export opportunities when financial institutions cannot help.

Loans of $20,000–$350,000 are available, to cover up to 80% of your export contract(s) or purchase order(s).

If your business has export contract(s) or purchase order(s) with buyer(s) overseas, and your bank is unable to help, the loan could provide you with the necessary funds to help you secure the contract(s) and satisfy your cashflow needs.

Funding is available to:

- fulfil contracts and purchase orders
- develop your export market
- grow your overseas sales.

Limitations

To be eligible for a loan, you must:

- have an Australian company number (ACN)
- have an annual turnover of over $250,000
- have been trading for at least 2 years
- be a direct exporter.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00250/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00250/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00250/apply
Email: info@exportfinance.gov.au **Phone:** 1800 093 724

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Small Business Technology Investment Boost

Funding Provider
Australian Taxation Office

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Rebate U00389

Primary Category
Business and industry

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Business

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

This initiative allows small businesses to claim a 20% bonus deduction on technology expenditure to help digitise their business.

Overview

Small businesses with an aggregated annual turnover of less than $50 million will be allowed an additional 20% tax deduction to support their digital operations and digitise their operations.

The boost applies to eligible expenditure incurred between 7:30 pm AEDT on 29 March 2022 and 30 June 2023. The boost is for business expenses and depreciating assets and is capped at $100,000 of expenditure per income year. You can receive a maximum bonus deduction of $20,000 per income year.

Eligible expenditure includes, but is not limited to:

- digital enabling items – computer and telecommunications hardware and equipment, software, internet costs, systems and services that form and facilitate the use of computer networks
- digital media and marketing – audio and visual content that can be created, accessed, stored or viewed on digital devices, including web page design
- e-commerce – goods or services supporting digitally ordered or platform-enabled online transactions, portable payment devices, digital inventory management, subscriptions to cloud-based services, and advice on digital operations or digitising operations, such as advice about digital tools to support business continuity and growth
- cyber security – cyber security systems, backup management and monitoring services.

Limitations

Eligibility

To access the small business technology investment boost, your business needs to meet the standard aggregated annual turnover rules (with an increased $50 million threshold).

The expenditure must:

- already be deductible for your business under taxation law
- be incurred between 7:30 pm AEDT 29 March 2022 and 30 June 2023.

If the expenditure is on a depreciating asset, the asset must be first used or installed ready for use for a taxable purpose by 30 June 2023.

A taxable not-for-profit organisation can claim the boost in their company tax return if they meet both of the following requirements:

- eligibility (small business with an aggregated annual turnover of less than $50 million)
- eligible expenditure.

A taxable not-for-profit is not exempt from income tax. You are required to lodge a tax return each year or notify a return not necessary.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00389/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00389/apply
Phone: 13 72 26

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Space Concession

Funding Provider
Department of Industry, Innovation and Science

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G17669

Primary Category
Business and industry

Eligible to
Business

Funding
Amount: Undisclosed
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Space Concession helps companies wanting to develop high technology for the space sector.

Overview

Duty-free tariff on eligible imported goods are provided to encourage the transfer of technology and expertise.

This program is for a project proponent looking to establish a space project.

An authorised space project must involve activities between parties from Australia and other countries that include:

- joint investment
- research or manufacturing
- the supply of equipment or technologies

Your project must be in one of the following fields:

- exploration of outer space
- remote sensing
- material processing in space
- space medicine and biology
- space communications and information technologies
- satellite navigation systems and technologies
- automated and manned space apparatus and systems and corresponding ground equipment
- protection of the outer space environment
- space launch services

Your project must also be accompanied by an Australian Industry Participation (AIP) plan.

The application process has 2 stages. We need to approve you in both stages before granting you access to the Space Concession. The stages are:

- Stage 1: Establish authorisation for a space project and AIP plan.
- Stage 2: Seek approval for a list of goods that can receive duty-free status in order for you to import them for the use in the authorised space project.

Limitations

Eligibility criteria:

The applicant for the Space Concession must be the project proponent who is seeking to establish authorisation to conduct a space project.

To access the Space Concession, applicants must have a “space project” that:

- involves activities between parties from Australia and other countries including:
    - joint investment
    - research or manufacturing or
    - the supply of equipment or technologies by one party to another for the purpose of the joint activity and
- is in one of the following fields:
    - exploration of outer space
    - remote sensing

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- material processing in space
- space medicine and biology
- space communications and information technologies
- satellite navigation systems and technologies
- automated and manned space apparatus and systems and corresponding ground equipment
- protection of the outer space environment or
- space launch services and

- is accompanied by an Australian Industry Participation (AIP) plan.

Your project must be authorised as a space project first before you can import the goods for the project. For more information on eligibility criteria please refer to the Policy and Administrative Guidelines.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Mail, Fax
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G17669/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G17669/guidelines
Address: AusIndustry Department of Industry and Science GPO Box 9839 Canberra 2601 ACT
Email: tradeprograms@industry.gov.au **Phone:** 13 28 46

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Submetering grants

Funding Provider
Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water (DCCEEW) (NSW)

Location
NSW

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19582

Primary Category
Business and industry

Eligible to
Business

Funding
$20,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **31 Mar 2026 5:00 pm**

Purpose

Submetering Grant round 2 helps eligible NSW businesses with installing and commissioning permanent submeters, including hardware integrations with software.

Overview

The Grant objectives are to:

- support site managers to identify and prioritise energy efficiency projects
- demonstrate energy and cost savings from implementing energy efficiency projects
- improve submetering coverage so that baseline data is available for future upgrades under the NSW Energy Security Safeguard.

What costs you can apply for
- Costs to install and commission permanent submeters that are required for measuring energy performance
- Hardware and integration with software required for energy monitoring.

Limitations

To be eligible for this Grant, you must:

- have a current Australian Business Number (ABN) and be registered for goods and services tax (GST)
- deliver your submetering project at a NSW site address
- spend a minimum of $200,000 annually on energy bills at your business site, or demonstrate an equivalent annual on-site energy use of at least 3,600 gigajoules (GJ). This includes purchased fuels, except fuel for transport. You must submit the most recent available evidence, no more than 18 months old at the time you apply

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- be the energy bill payer and have operational control of the site, with authority to install submetering and act on the insights it provides. If you are not the site owner, you must have authorisation from the owner to undertake the project, and provide evidence of this in your application
- have valid itemised quotes, detailing the individual costs for submeters and activities. Lump-sum quotes will not be considered.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19582/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19582/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19582/apply
Email: energyefficiency.program@environment.nsw.gov.au

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Supporting Fresh Produce Suppliers - Food and Grocery Code Education Program

Funding Provider
Department of Industry, Science and Resources

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19754

Primary Category
Business and industry

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Business

Funding
$2,000,000
Total Pool: $6,000,000

Rounds
Closes **23 Jan 2026**

Purpose

This grant opportunity will provide up to $2 million in funding to fresh produce industry associations to develop and deliver training nationally that builds fresh produce suppliers' capacity to negotiate contracts with large grocery businesses and understand their rights under the Code.

Overview

The Supporting Fresh Produce Suppliers - Food and Grocery Code Education Program grant opportunity will provide funding to fresh produce industry associations to develop and deliver training, nationally, to fresh produce suppliers (particularly smaller suppliers) to assist them to:

- understand and enforce their rights under the *Food and Grocery Code of Conduct* (the Code)
- build their capacity to negotiate with large grocery businesses and achieve more favourable commercial outcomes.

A total of $2 million over 3 years from 2025-26 to 2027-28 is available for the grant opportunity with up to 3 grants to be awarded.

Training funded under this program is confined to the operation of the Code and suppliers' negotiating rights under the Code.

The intended outcomes of the program are that:

- fresh produce suppliers nationally have access to free, high quality educational services on the Code
- fresh produce suppliers nationally increase their understanding of the Code and enforcement of their rights under the Code and their capacity to negotiate with large grocery businesses.

Limitations

You can apply if you:

- have an Australian business number (ABN) or Indigenous Corporation Number (ICN)
- are registered for the Goods and Services Tax (GST)
- have an account with an Australian financial institution

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- can provide evidence that you are a national fresh produce industry association that represents one or more of the following fresh food supplier categories subject to the Code, specifically:
    - fresh fruit
    - fresh vegetables
    - fresh mushrooms
- can provide evidence that your industry association:
    - represents at least 100 individual members, or;
    - consists of at least 6 member businesses, or;
    - is made up of at least 10 organisations/companies
- can demonstrate your capability to deliver training services:
    - nationally (including rural and regional and metropolitan areas of Australia)
    - to fresh fruit, vegetable and mushroom suppliers
    - to both your membership base as well as other fresh produce suppliers outside your membership base.

and are one of the following entities:

- an entity incorporated in Australia (including incorporated not for profit organisations, registered charities, co-operatives and companies limited by guarantee)
- an incorporated trustee on behalf of a trust
- an incorporated association.

You can't apply if you are:

- any organisation not included in section 4.1 of the grant opportunity guidelines
- an organisation, or your project partner is an organisation, included on the National Redress Scheme's list of Institutions that have not joined or signified their intent to join the Scheme
- an employer of 100 or more employees that has not complied with the Workplace Gender Equality Act (2012)
- a Registered Training Organisation (unless your organisation is also an industry association that primarily represents fresh produce suppliers)
- an individual
- a partnership
- an unincorporated association
- a trust (however, an incorporated trustee may apply on behalf of a trust)
- a Commonwealth, state, territory or local government body (including government business enterprises)
- a non-corporate Commonwealth entity.

Partner with other organisations
You can partner with one or more other organisations that also meet the eligibility criteria. But you must decide who the lead organisation is.

The lead organisation must fill out the application form.

If we give your group the grant, the lead organisation:

- signs the grant agreement
- is responsible for making sure your group follows the rules in the grant agreement.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19754/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19754/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19754/apply
Website: https://business.gov.au/contact-us **Phone:** 13 28 46

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Telstra Best of Business Awards

Funding Provider
Telstra

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Award S02301

Primary Category
Business and industry

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Business
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Telstra Business Awards recognise the current achievements of small to medium businesses across Australia.

Overview

Nominations are accepted all year round, nominate today.

Each category reflects a theme essential to advancing Australia. If you're a small and medium-sized business whose diverse expertise is helping shape Australia in different ways, you can enter across multiple categories.

- **Building Communities:** Recognising businesses working to make a positive impact on culture and society so people from all walks of life can thrive as part of a supportive community.
- **Championing Health:** For businesses focussed on innovative solutions, improving health outcomes for every Australian.
- **Embracing Innovation:** For businesses innovating with technology to develop solutions for challenges faced by modern Australia.
- **Promoting Sustainability:** For businesses reducing their environmental impact by driving sustainable change within their industry for a cleaner and healthier planet.
- **Outstanding Growth:** For businesses achieving significant growth and contributing to building a more resilient Australian economy.
- **Accelerating Women:** For businesses actively challenging exclusion and inequality to create meaningful and lasting equity for women.
- **Indigenous Excellence:** For Indigenous-led, owned and operated businesses succeeding through entrepreneurialism, innovation and inspiring the next generation of all Australians.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S02301/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S02301/apply
Contact: Telstra
Website: https://telstrabestofbusinessawards.com/contact **Phone:** 1800 AWARDS

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Territory Innovation Challenges Program NT

Funding Provider
Department of Industry, Tourism and Trade (NT)

Location
NT

Funding Type
Contract Or Tender T00028

Primary Category
Business and industry

Eligible to
Business

Funding
$100,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

This opportunity is for a business, research or training organisation that wants to join other organisations to help solve a challenge set by the Northern Territory (NT) Government.

Overview

If the solution you put forward is picked as the winning entry, you get the chance to negotiate a contract to procure the solution with the government.

If the government procures your solution, it will also support you to sell your solution to other buyers in local and export markets.

What you can get

The winner will get:

- the chance to negotiate a procurement contract with the NT Government and
- $100,000 seed funding once a procurement contract is finalised.

Challenges

The NT Government defines a challenge to solve the needs of one or more agencies.

Challenges include:

- a problem statement
- timeframe
- judging criteria.

Challenges will be published on the innovation website here.

Limitations

Who can apply?

Applicants must be, or be able to form, an innovation cluster and:

- have a registered ABN (Australian business number)
- include participants located in the NT that will actively participate in the project.

The members of the cluster must be physically co-located in the NT at least until any agreement has been fully completed.

An innovation cluster must include two or more Territory enterprises and at least one research organisation (public or private).

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/T00028/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/T00028/guidelines
Email: innovation@nt.gov.au

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Textile, Clothing and Footwear Corporate wear Register

Funding Provider
Department of Industry, Innovation and Science

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Rebate G04979

Primary Category
Business and industry

Eligible to
Business

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

This program helps employers to receive tax benefits by registering non-compulsory occupational clothing.

Overview

If your business employs staff and they wear a non-compulsory uniform, you may be eligible to avoid paying Fringe Benefits Tax (FBT) on any contributions you make towards the uniform.

Your employees are also eligible for tax deductions for expenses incurred in the rental, purchase or maintenance of approved non-compulsory occupational clothing too.

The Australian Taxation Office (ATO) determines the level of tax deductions.

You'll need to register the uniform and the design must meet the Approved Occupational Clothing Guidelines.

Non-compulsory corporate uniforms are a set of clothing and accessory items (not protective or occupation-specific) which:

- distinctly identifies a particular employer, product or service
- are not compulsory for employees to wear to work.

If you were unable to submit your application while applications were on hold in June 2024, we can backdate your application to include the 2023/24 financial year.

Limitations

Eligibility criteria:

The design of the non-compulsory uniform must meet the Approved Occupational Clothing Guidelines. Some of the uniform design basics to meet are:

- The uniform must be a complete outfit, eg dress, shirt and trousers, shorts, and/or skirt.
- A company identifier (discrete logo/name/initials) must be on all items in the uniform, including accessories.
- For clothing, the identifier must be at least 80 per cent of a four cm square area.
- For accessories, such as a tie or scarf, the identifier must be at least a one cm square.
- Identifiers must be in a contrasting colour or shade to the garments they are attached to in order to be visible from two metres away.
- Identifier must be permanently attached to each garment (eg embroidered, iron on, heat seal).
- The entire garment range can have a maximum of eight colours. This includes different shades of a colour and excludes those found in the identifier.
- The number of colour/pattern/print combinations allowed is limited by the number of employees in a class.
- Where a variation on a uniform is worn by different groups in an organisation, there must be a common theme between these groups or classes of employees, and the male and female uniform.
- The uniform must be appropriate for the duties of the employee.

What clothing is ineligible for the register?

- Compulsory uniforms.
- Occupation-specific clothing such as a chef's check pants and white shirt.
- Protective clothing.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Mail, Online, Email
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G04979/info

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Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G04979/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G04979/apply
Address: Corporatewear Register C/- AusIndustry GPO Box 2013 Canberra 2601 ACT
Email: corporate.wear@industry.gov.au **Phone:** 13 28 46

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The Innovation Pathways Program formerly X-TEND WA

Funding Provider
Department of Jobs, Tourism, Science and Innovation (WA)

Location
WA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19774

Primary Category
Business and industry

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Business

Funding
$300,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **30 Jan 2026 4pm**

Purpose

The objective of the Grant is to support accelerator programs, an integral mechanism to support and grow the ecosystem, as well as entrepreneurial and investor education programs for Western Australian startups and innovative SMEs, and current and potential investors

Overview

The Innovation Pathways Program (IPP) is a competitive Western Australian Government grant, funded through the $40 million New Industries and Innovation Fund (2025-29). The IPP is administered by the Department of Energy and Economic Diversification (the Department). The Department is seeking applications under the following three streams:

- **Stream A: Accelerator support** - up to $300,000

  Accelerator programs designed for startups, innovative SMEs and scaleups that support them to become investment ready.
- **Stream B: Entrepreneur Education** - up to $200,000

  Programs, other than accelerators, that are specifically tailored to increase the investment readiness of startups and innovative SMEs or scaleups.
- **Stream C: Investor Education** - up to $200,000

  Programs that educate, grow, and encourage investors of all classes including corporates, leading to an increase in investment in innovative ventures in Western Australia.

Applications which deliver programs that target regional audiences, and/or First Nations participants, and/or female participants are strongly encouraged and will be weighted favourably in the evaluation process.

Limitations

To be considered eligible for Grant funding and to progress to the Evaluation stage, applicants must meet the following criteria:

- Your organisation is a valid legal entity that possesses a current Australian Business Number (ABN) and/or Australian Company Number (ACN) and/or Indigenous Corporation Number (ICN) and can enter into a funding agreement with the Western Australian Government;
- Your organisation
  - has a registered business address in Western Australia; or
  - is an Australian or international organisation not located in Western Australia, that agrees to use its best endeavours to register a business address in Western Australia and guarantees that it has representation to operate physically in Western Australia;
- Your proposed program will be delivered in Western Australia and aligns with one or more of the Program Streams outlined in Section 4;
- Your application is not seeking funding in excess of the maximum Stream amount as outlined in Section 5.1;
- Your business/organisation is solvent and will pass due diligence checks;

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- Grant funding, and your matched funding, will be used for a future education program and will be delivered within 12-months from execution of the FAA;
- Your matched funding does not include other sources of Western Australian Government funding;
- Your application is submitted via the Good Grants platform by the application closing date and time as outlined in Section 8 and includes a comprehensive Program Plan of up to four (4) pages as outlined in Section 7.2;
    - Applicants are not employees or officers of the Department, or members of their immediate families; and
    - Your business/organisation is not a Government Trading Entity or State Government department.

Previous X-TEND WA recipients may reapply to deliver the same program, provided it aligns with the Program Streams and objectives of the Grant and demonstrates a strong market need and measurable success.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19774/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19774/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19774/apply
Email: innovation@jtsi.wa.gov.au **Phone:** 08 6277 3000

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Unlocking Aboriginal Tourism Development Funding

Funding Provider
Tourism NT

Location
NT

Funding Type
Pro Bono Services U00719

Primary Category
Business and industry

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Business

Funding
$13,500

Rounds
Closes **9 Jan 2026**

Purpose

Tourism NT is providing a total of up to $13,500 (excluding GST) in consultancy services to NT Aboriginal Territorians and majority owned Aboriginal businesses and organisations (Aboriginal tourism clients) to help access opportunities and unlock potential Aboriginal tourism development funding.

Overview

To support the development of bookable experiences and quality of experiences and product there is a need to assist Aboriginal tourism clients to access services to navigate, understand and identify tourism development funding opportunities.

Many of these businesses and organisations have business and plans and ambitions, however, need access to additional support and funding to bring these plans to fruition.

There is a broad range of Australian Government, NT Government and philanthropic funding opportunities (funding opportunities) for the Aboriginal tourism sector. Navigating and accessing potential funding opportunities can be challenging and an intensive time consuming activity.

To access support, Aboriginal tourism clients will identify the Aboriginal tourism business development need that requires funding.

The initiative will focus on support for tourism-related business development needs for new or enhanced existing tourism product offerings and experiences, including:

- new and existing tourism product and experiences development
- enhanced visitor experiences including infrastructure improvements
- workforce development
- strategic marketing development (excludes ongoing/operational activities and services) that supports potential engagement with new markets and trade distribution partners.

There are two levels of consultancy services available to help access opportunities and unlock potential funding.

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- Level 1 - advice and initial assistance about potential funding availability up to a maximum 2 hours.
- Level 2 - funding application preparation service including assistance in writing submissions up to a maximum 16 hours.

Limitations

Eligibility

The Program is designed to support NT Aboriginal owned businesses and organisations.

Eligible applicants must:

- Be greater than 50% Aboriginal owned (one of any of the following) situated and operating in the NT
    - Registered with the Office of the Registrar of Indigenous Corporation
    - Northern Territory Indigenous Business Network certified member
    - Supply Nation registered or certified member
    - Aboriginal individuals may be required to provide confirmation or certificate of Aboriginality
- Be legally constituted
- Be Australian registered
- Have approvals of the relevant Land Council or other land management authority for current tourism activities (not required for development planning activities).

If the applicant is an actively trading Aboriginal owned tourism business (as defined in the NT Aboriginal Tourism Strategy 2020-2030), the following criteria may apply:

- Have a current Australian Tourism Data Warehouse (ATDW) listing or have applied for one at time of engaging with the Consultant (if appropriate)
- Be a member of a peak industry body, such as Tourism Central Australia, Tourism Top End or Hospitality NT or have applied for one at time of engaging with the Consultant (if appropriate).

Aboriginal individuals may be required to provide a letter of confirmation of Aboriginal heritage or certificate from the relevant (locality) incorporated Aboriginal association or land council. It must be stamped with the association's common seal.

An Aboriginal individual is defined as someone who: is of Australian Aboriginal descent; has previously and consistently in day to day life been known to be and/or identified as an Australian Aboriginal and is accepted as an Aboriginal in the community in which they live or have lived.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Email
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00719/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00719/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00719/apply
Email: grantsupport@remotestrategyplus.com.au **Phone:** 0428 893 524

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Venture Capital Fund

Funding Provider
Artesian Venture Partners

Location
SA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G13265

Primary Category
Business and industry

Eligible to
Business

Funding
Total Pool: $50,000,000

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Investment is available to high growth and export potential companies that have demonstrated a market for their product or service.

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Overview

The SA venture capital fund aims to:

- enable innovative South Australian ventures to secure funding and accelerate growth into national and global markets, stimulating economic activity and job creation
- strengthen the competitiveness of local early-stage entrepreneurs and companies to attract private sources of co-investment from national and international investors
- earn a commercial rate of return for investors, including the South Australian Government, and commensurate with industry standards for early-stage venture capital funds.

Limitations

Eligibility

To be eligible, applicants must:

- be able to demonstrate a market for their product or service
- have either commenced generating revenue or can demonstrate customer validation and evidence a route to revenue generation
- hold less than $250 million in assets
- not be a publicly listed company, unless that company will be delisted within 12 months of the investment being made
- have 50% of their assets and 50% of their staff located within SA during a period that ends 12 months from the initial investment date.

Funding is not available to companies whose predominant activity is:

- property development or land ownership
- finance (other than finance technologies)
- insurance (other than insurance technologies)
- construction (other than construction technologies)
- passive income investing.

Investments

The SAVCF will assess opportunities on a case-by-case basis, but will be seeking companies that have the following characteristics:

- A large addressable market
- A product or service offering with a demonstrated ability to meet an existing or emerging market need
- A clear thesis on the sources of the business' competitive advantage, and the sustainability/defensibility of this competitive advantage
- Ability to scale rapidly in a capital efficient way
- Led by a very high quality management team
- A clear path to a liquidity event

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G13265/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G13265/apply
Email: SAVCF@ARTESIANINVEST.COM

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Venture Capital Limited Partnerships (VCLP)

Funding Providers
Australian Taxation Office
Department of Industry, Science and Resources

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Rebate G05072

Primary Category
Business and industry

Eligible to
Business

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Provides venture capital limited partnerships (VCLPs) with a flow-through tax incentive (exemption from capital gains tax for gains made on eligible investments) for foreign investors to stimulate Australia's venture capital sector by attracting foreign investors.

Overview

The Venture Capital Limited Partnership (VCLP) program aims to stimulate Australia's venture capital sector. The program:

- helps fund managers attract pooled capital, so they can raise new venture capital funds of over $10 million to invest in innovative Australian businesses
- offers tax benefits to fund managers and eligible foreign investors
- connects investors with innovative Australian businesses
- helps Australian businesses grow by receiving financial support

There is no 'early stage' test for investments as there is with Early Stage Venture Capital Limited Partnerships.

Fund managers can apply to Innovation and Science Australia to register a partnership as a VCLP.

The Department of Industry, Science, Energy and Resources and the Australian Taxation Office (ATO) jointly administer the program on behalf of the Australian Government.

Limitations

You can apply to register if you are:

- a new venture capital fund
- a limited partnership or an incorporated limited partnership
- established in Australia or a country that has a double tax agreement with Australia

You must have:

- a general partner (often also the fund manager) who is a resident of either Australia or a country that has a double tax agreement with Australia
- at least $10 million in committed capital (although a partnership that doesn't satisfy this requirement may be eligible for conditional registration)

In addition, you must have a qualifying partnership agreement that:

- ensures the partnership remains in existence for between 5 and 15 years
- requires partners to contribute capital when required
- prohibits adding new partners except as provided for in the agreement
- prohibits increasing committed capital except as provided for in the agreement
- confers on the general partner the right to require partners to contribute their committed capital to the partnership
- includes a plan outlining the partnership's intended investment activities.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G05072/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G05072/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G05072/apply

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Phone: 13 28 46

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Active and Creative Kids Vouchers

Funding Provider
Service NSW

Location
NSW

Funding Type
Cash Grant G14353

Primary Category
Children and families

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$50
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

This program supports eligible families with school-aged children to participate in sport, recreational, creative or cultural activities.

Overview

Parents, guardians and carers receiving Family Tax Benefit can apply for an Active and Creative Kids voucher for each eligible child.

The $50 voucher is available twice a year to use towards sport, creative and cultural activities.

Voucher 1 - 2025: Available now

- Apply for and use the voucher by: 31 December 2025

Voucher 2 - 2025: Available now

- Apply for and use the voucher by: 14 July 2026

Note:

- Vouchers must be used with a registered activity provider.
- If you have 2 vouchers that have not expired, you can use them together for a combined value of $100. Each voucher can only be used once.

Please note: Voucher 1 - 2025 and Voucher 2 - 2025 can be used together before 31 December 2025 for a combined value of $100. Vouchers can only be used once.

Limitations

To be eligible for the voucher, a child must be:

- under the care of a parent, guardian or carer receiving:
    - Family Tax Benefit Part A
    - Family Tax Benefit Part B
    - both Family Tax Benefit Part A and Family Tax Benefit Part B
- a NSW resident
- aged between 4.5 and 18 years.

If you have more than one eligible child, you can apply for them in the same application.

Only one person can apply for the vouchers for a child.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G14353/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G14353/apply
Website: https://www.service.nsw.gov.au/contact-us **Phone:** 13 77 88

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BeKids Grant (WA)

Funding Provider
Variety - the Children's Charity

Location
WA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G12288

Primary Category
Children and families

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$400
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Variety BeKids grants provide practical equipment to help WA kids have a fair go. The items funded will help kids access the community, extracurricular endeavours and support their wellbeing. We provide assistance that is not accessible through government funding and alternative services.

Overview

An application can be completed by a parent/carer, or approved third party if consent has been authorised (Social Worker, Support Worker etc.).

Eligible items:

- Bike or scooter (school age children only)
- Prescription glasses*
- Extracurricular supplies (sport uniform / equipment)
- Play equipment (remote areas only)

Request limit: $400

Household income limit: $74,000 pa

*Is the child eligible for the WA Spectacle subsidy of $54.34? https://www.healthywa.wa.gov.au/Articles/S_T/Spectacle-Subsidy-Scheme Child's initials must be listed on eligible pension cards.

Note: Variety programs are being updated and will reopen early next year.

Limitations

Eligibility

- The child you are applying for must reside in WA
- The child you are applying for must be aged 0-17
- The child you are applying for must be affected by financial hardship or disadvantage, and may also have a long-term health condition or disability
- Family household income is below the guide
- The equipment you're seeking funding for must not be available via government funding or alternative sources

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G12288/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G12288/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G12288/apply
Email: kidssupport@varietywa.org.au **Phone:** 9355 3655

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Bikes for Kids

Funding Provider
Variety - the Children's Charity

Location
QLD

Funding Type
In-kind Contribution G19735

Primary Category
Children and families

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Variety Bikes for Kids program grants bikes to children experiencing disadvantage, opening the door to the freedom and independence that comes with having a bike of their own.

Overview

For many families, the cost of a bike is out of reach, and this program helps more children ride alongside their friends and take part in an active, healthy lifestyle. A bike can spark confidence and opportunity in all corners of a child's life - from joining in at school and community activities to spending more time playing with friends and family.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact our Kids Support Team on 07 3907 9300 or kidssupport@varietyqld.org.au

Limitations

Applicants must:

- Reside in Queensland
- Be Australian Citizens or Permanent Residents
- Be aged 5-17 (must be under 18 at time of submission)
- Have been affected by financial disadvantage, geographical isolation or living with a disability or chronic illness
- Applicants identifying under financial hardship: household income (after tax) must not exceed $5500 per month
- Applicants identifying with a disability or chronic illness: household income (after tax) must not exceed $8000 per month.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19735/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19735/guidelines

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19735/apply
Email: kidssupport@varietyqld.org.au **Phone:** (07) 3907 9300

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Child Care Subsidy

Funding Provider
Services Australia

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Subsidised Goods And Services U00004

Primary Category
Children and families

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Assistance to help you with the cost of child care.

Overview

Services Australia pay this subsidy directly to your child care provider to reduce the fees you pay.

The amount of Child Care Subsidy you can get depends on your circumstances.

Use the Payment and Service Finder to estimate how much Child Care Subsidy (CCS) you may get.

To work out how much CCS you're eligible for Services Australia look at all of the following:

- your family's income
- the hourly rate cap based on the type of approved child care you use and your child's age
- the hours of activity you and your partner do.

The amount of subsidised child care you can access per fortnight applies to each child.

If you have a CCS overpayment, we may use some of your CCS each fortnight to pay this back. The easiest way to repay money is by using the Money you owe service. This is available in either your Centrelink online account through myGov or your Express Plus Centrelink mobile app.

Extra Support

Some families can get Additional Child Care Subsidy. It will be paid on top of Child Care Subsidy to provide extra support with child care fees.

There are 3 different types of Additional Child Care Subsidy that you can apply for. You can apply if you're either:

- a grandparent
- transitioning to work
- experiencing temporary financial hardship

Approved child care

These are services that have Australian Government approval to get Child Care Subsidy on your behalf to reduce your fees. Approved child care includes:

- Centre Based Day Care, including long day care and occasional care
- Family Day Care
- Outside School Hours Care, including before, after and vacation care

In Home Care

The eligibility criteria for In Home Care is different. You need to meet all eligibility criteria for Child Care Subsidy as well as extra criteria. You can read more about In Home Care on the Department of Education, Skills and Employment website.

Changes on 10 July 2023.

Most families using child care can now get more subsidy. Read more about what you need to know from July.

There are also changes to the CCS activity test for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children.

Limitations

Who can get it

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You need to meet some requirements to get Child Care Subsidy.

You may be eligible if you or your partner meet all of the following:

- care for your child at least 2 nights per fortnight, or have 14% care
- are liable for fees for care provided at an approved child care service
- meet the residency rules.

Your child must also meet both of these:

- immunisation requirements
- not be attending secondary school unless an exemption applies.

If your child attends secondary school, you may still be eligible if they need supervision. They must be either:

- 13 or under
- 14 to 18 with disability.

In these circumstances, you must provide evidence as to why your child can't be unsupervised. This may include evidence of your child's disability. You also need to confirm an adult is unable to care for your child during this time.

Each person that's liable to pay child care fees will need to apply for this subsidy and meet these criteria.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00004/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00004/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00004/apply

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Community Child Care Fund (CCCF) - Special Circumstances Grant

Funding Provider
Department of Education

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G07627

Primary Category
Children and families

Eligible to
- TAFE
- School
- Not-for-Profit
- University
- Business
- Local Govt
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
Total Pool: Unknown

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The objective of the CCCF is to support child care services to address barriers to child care participation, particularly targeting disadvantaged and vulnerable families and communities.

Overview

The grant is for services at risk of closure due to financial viability issues resulting from:

- a local emergency, or
- another unexpected event which would result in a lack of suitable ECEC for the community.

Grants are targeted to services in disadvantaged or vulnerable communities. The aim is to provide continuity of care in these communities when unexpected events disrupt service delivery.

Funding helps services remain open so they can continue to support families in the community.

The grant is part of the Community Child Care Fund which helps services address barriers to ECEC participation.

Many factors influence whether a community is disadvantaged or vulnerable.

Your service may be eligible if it operates in, or services, an area:

- on the priority area list

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- where we have declared a CCS period of emergency
- where there is no other suitable ECEC.

Funding Amount: There is no minimum or maximum amount that you can apply for.

Limitations

Eligibility

CCCF grants are for Child Care Subsidy (CCS) approved providers.

You may be eligible for a special circumstances grant if you operate a service that:

- is in, or provides care for, a disadvantaged or vulnerable community, and
- is at high risk of closing, temporarily or permanently, due to financial viability issues resulting from a local emergency, or
- is at high risk of closing permanently due to another unexpected circumstance and is the only suitable ECEC in the community, or
- requires financial assistance to open in a community where another service has closed and there is no other suitable ECEC.

In the case of a local emergency, you should apply after the event if:

- you are experiencing financial viability issues due to the event, and
- you have already accessed other available support, such as state and territory grants.

In all other cases, you should apply as early as possible.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G07627/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G07627/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G07627/apply
Email: CCCFSpecialCircumstances@education.gov.au **Phone:** 1300 650 848

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Community Grants (NT)

Funding Provider
Variety - the Children's Charity

Location
NT

Funding Type
Cash Grant G15928

Primary Category
Children and families

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- School
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
$15,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

To support organisations that support kids in need, including schools, not-for-profits and community groups.

Overview

Variety grant the following to organisations that support kids in need, including schools, not-for-profits and community groups:

- Educational Resources
- Medical Equipment & Supplies
- Mobility Equipment
- Technology
- Play Equipment
- Vehicle modifications

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Limitations

Eligibility

Schools, not-for-profits and community groups are eligible to apply.

The following types of applications will NOT be considered:

- Equipment requiring ongoing funding, such as repairs or maintenance of equipment.
- Salaries or administration expenses
- Therapy and rehabilitation
- Research
- Carer's expenses at the discretion of Variety NT
- Capital works
- General and cash donations
- Travel expenses at the discretion of Variety NT
- Retrospective funding

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G15928/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G15928/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G15928/apply
Email: grants@varietynt.org.au **Phone:** 08 8981 2544

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Community Organisation Grants (QLD)

Funding Provider
Variety - the Children's Charity

Location
QLD

Funding Type
Cash Grant G10903

Primary Category
Children and families

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- School
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **30 Sep 2026**

Last Round
Closed **31 Oct 2025**

Purpose

Variety give grants to organisations that support kids in need, including schools, not-for-profits and community groups.

Overview

The Applicant can apply for one or more items as part of their grant request. The items must directly benefit children.

Variety recommend the Applicant contact the Kids Support team to discuss requests before completing an application form to ensure the requests are suitable for consideration.

Limitations

Eligibility:

- Schools and Organisations are invited to apply for a grant which will go towards the purchase of equipment that will promote all access and inclusivity in the community for children aged 0-17 years from financial disadvantage, geographic isolation and/or living with a disability or chronic illness.
- School or organization must be based and operating in QLD.
- Variety Queensland does not give cash donations; funding supports the purchase of equipment and tangible items, and Variety Queensland pays the supplier of the equipment directly.
- Variety Queensland will consider gap funding, once you have proof of successful funding.
- Funding cannot be approved retrospectively (if you have already purchased equipment).
- Applications will not be funded if the school or organisation has received funding from Variety within the past 12 months.

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- The Kids Support Committee will assess each grant thoroughly. Additional information may be required and, in this instance, Variety will contact you.
- Applicants will be expected to submit a truthful and factual application & attach relevant documentation as evidence, addressing but not limited to the following points:
    - Contact details of authorised representative
    - Details directly related to the children that would benefit
    - Details directly related to the requested item(s) including supplier information
    - Information related to expected outcomes and measurements
- The application will require a quote directly related to the requested item(s) from your preferred supplier. This must be no older than 3 months at the time of submission to ensure it remains valid through the assessment process.
- An applicant will be required to stipulate why they are requesting support from Variety QLD and where applicable, any other sources of funding.

Ineligible funding

The following are examples of what will not be considered

- Retrospective funding – only items purchased after the approval date will be eligible to claim as part of the grant
- Capital works
- Installation costs
- Insurance
- Employment/Contract staff
- Servicing or maintenance
- Programs
- Administrative costs

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G10903/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G10903/guidelines

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G10903/apply
Email: kidssupport@varietyqld.org.au **Phone:** 07 3907 9300

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Flying Start Infrastructure Grant

Funding Provider
SA Office for Early Childhood Development

Location
SA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19561

Primary Category
Children and families

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- School
- Business
- Local Govt

Funding
Total Pool: $40,000,000 (approx)

Rounds
Closes **19 Feb 2026**

Purpose

This is a competitive grants program that will assist eligible organisations to develop infrastructure that directly increases the number of approved places available for preschool in South Australia, by providing up to $40 million in co-funding over four years.

Overview

The objective of the Flying Start Infrastructure Grants program is to provide access to funding for the development of facilities that meet the demand for children participating in 3-year-old preschool.

South Australia's Preschool Infrastructure Strategy sets out the approach to most effectively target the South Australian government's investment and support for preschool infrastructure to enable universal access to 3- year-old preschool by

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2032. This is aimed so that, as far as possible, infrastructure supply is matching demand as more children participate in 3-year-old preschool.

Each funding round will have a two-stage approach, with applicants successful in Stage 1 invited to the more detailed Stage 2:

- Stage 1 - initial application (this record refers to stage 1): Assesses eligibility and project viability, feasibility and desirability
- Stage 2 - detailed application: If invited, applicants are required to submit more technical and project development detail to ensure the project is thoroughly evaluated for readiness and feasibility. The two-stage process ensures that applicants have some assurance prior to investing in project design, detailed site investigations and seeking planning and development approvals.

Limitations

To be eligible, applicants must be a legal entity, holding an Australian Business Number (ABN), registered for goods and services tax (GST), and be either:

- an approved provider under the Education and Care Services National Law Act 2010 (National Law) and the Education and Care Services National Regulations 2011 (National Regulations) and/or
- the owner of the land on which the facility is or will be located.

Eligible entities include:

- not-for-profit (NFP) organisations that are registered or incorporated in Australia
- South Australian local government entities
- South Australian non-government schools that are registered with the Education Standards Board (ESB) and in receipt of state government funding.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19561/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19561/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19561/apply
Email: OECD.Infrastructure@sa.gov.au

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Greater Charitable Foundation Funding

Funding Provider
Greater Charitable Foundation

Location
NSW, QLD

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19443

Primary Category
Children and families

Eligible to
Not-for-Profit
DGR Required

Funding
Total Pool: $1,000,000

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Each year, the Foundation distributes approximately $1 million in grant funding to eligible charities that assist communities across Greater's footprint all the way from the Illawarra to the Gold Coast and South East Queensland.

Overview

This program is by invitation only.

The Foundation is a Private Ancillary Fund and provides grants to eligible Australian Deductible Gift Recipient (DGR) charities.

They partner with charities delivering innovative and scalable initiatives to improve outcomes for communities in need in the following areas:

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- Environment
- Financial wellbeing

Multi-Year Partnerships are designed for large impact projects, with the funding provided over a period of two to three years.

Please Note: Greater Charitable Foundation approach and invite eligible charitable organisations that align with our funding principles and areas of impact to apply for Multi-Year Partnerships.

If you're an eligible charity and would like to introduce your work to the Foundation, you're welcome to get in touch by email. When reaching out, it's helpful to include your organisation's ABN, along with a brief overview of your purpose, location, and the impact you're making in your community.

Limitations

This program accepts applications by invitation only.

Eligibility

To be eligible to receive any grant from our Foundation, your charity must:

- Deliver the initiative/s within our funding footprint
- Be registered with the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission (ACNC) or Office of the Registrar of Indigenous Corporations (ORIC).
- Be registered and endorsed by the Australian Taxation Office for:
- Tax Concession Charity (TCC) status
- Deductible Gift Recipient status covered under Item 1 (DGR1)

You can check your DGR and TCC status by going to the Australian Government's Business Register website.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19443/info
Contact: Anne Long
Email: foundation@greater.com.au **Phone:** 1300 651 400

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Individual Grants (NT)

Funding Provider
Variety - the Children's Charity

Location
NT

Funding Type
Cash Grant G09441

Primary Category
Children and families

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$8,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

To provide grants to kids 0-18 years of age.

Overview

Variety NT provides grants to children aged 0-17 years who are sick, disadvantaged or living with a disability for the purchase of life-changing aids or assistance to increase physical development, independence and social inclusion. Examples include mobility equipment, communication devices, education aides and medical equipment.

Funding of up to $8,000 can be requested.

Limitations

Applicants are eligible to apply for an individual grant provided that the beneficiary:

- Is a resident in the NT.

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- Is aged 0-17 years.
- Is disadvantaged and/or has a disability or long-term health condition as recognised by an accredited health professional.

Note: Appeals from non-residents may be considered where applicants are located outside of the NT, and fundraising was raised by Variety NT teams from that locale, for the benefit of Variety NT.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G09441/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G09441/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G09441/apply
Email: grants@varietynt.org.au **Phone:** 08 8981 2544

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Individual Grants (QLD)

Funding Provider
Variety - the Children's Charity

Location
QLD

Funding Type
Cash Grant G10902

Primary Category
Children and families

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$10,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Variety help kids and families facing challenges, by giving them access to things like medical and mobility equipment, communication devices, learning aids and wigs.

Overview

Assistance is available for Queensland children aged up to 17 years of age, who are sick, disadvantaged or have a disability. To apply for assistance, you must be able to demonstrate a genuine need (including financial evidence) and information on how the assistance requested will meet this need. You will also require supporting letters from relevant professionals (e.g. specialists, therapists, teachers) and quotes for the items requested.

Please note that Variety does not fund items or services that are funded by other organisations or the government including NDIS.

Maximum funding for individual child is $10,000.

Applications are now open all year round.

Limitations

Eligibility

- Applications may be made on behalf of a child who is sick, disadvantaged or has special needs.
- Applications will only be considered for children aged up to 17 years (applications must be received and finalised before the child's eighteenth birthday).
- Applications may be made on behalf of children who reside in QLD.
- Variety Queensland does not give cash donations; funding supports the purchase of equipment and tangible items, and Variety Queensland pays the supplier of the equipment directly.
- Variety Queensland will not approve applications where alternative funding sources are available. This includes NDIS eligible items. Proof of any unsuccessful alternative funding should be included in your application.
- Variety Queensland will consider gap funding, once you have proof of successful funding.
- Funding cannot be approved retrospectively (if you have already purchased equipment).
- Applications will not be funded if the child has received funding from Variety within the past 6 months.
- The Kids Support Committee will assess each grant thoroughly. Additional information may be required and, in this instance, Variety will contact you or your referees.

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- Please make sure the following documents are submitted along with your application:
    - Financial income documentation e.g. Payslips, Centrelink income statement
    - Three quotes for each piece of equipment requested, less than 3 months old (this clause is void if the applicant is in a remote area and only one supplier is available and / or only one supplier offers the equipment requested)
    - Supporting medical documentation from two professional sources stating that the equipment is necessary (Medical Practitioner, Occupational Therapist, Social Worker, Principal or Teacher)

What won't be funded

- Capital Works e.g. Vehicle and home modifications, anything affixed to a building
- Medical and health consultations
- Spas/swimming pools
- Communication devices for recreational use
- School fees/salaries/wages
- Ongoing funding, such as repairs or maintenance of equipment
- Salaries or administration expenses
- Carer expenses
- Respite
- Research
- Vehicles for individuals / families
- Travel expenses
- General and cash donations
- eBikes and eScooters

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G10902/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G10902/guidelines

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G10902/apply
Email: kidssupport@varietyqld.org.au **Phone:** (07) 3907 9300

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Inger Rice Foundation Grants

Funding Provider
Inger Rice Foundation

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G00648

Primary Category
Children and families

Eligible to
Not-for-Profit

Funding
$7,000

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The foundations objective is to promote children's health, welfare and development.

Overview

The Foundation funds charities and not-for-profit organizations across Australia.

Funding is provided for programs that support the development of relationships between young children from birth to Primary School entry (ages 0 -5 years generally) and their families or carers. Prenatal programs are also supported.

Funding may be provided for:

- Family support programs
- Early intervention programs
- Specific resources for such programs
- Specific training required for implementation of such programs

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A maximum of $7000 is available per application.

Funding to a program is limited to once every three years.

When partial funding is provided the Foundation may request assurance that other funding is available to complete the project or program.

Submissions can be sent at any time via email and are considered by the Inger Rice Foundation Board which meets every two months from February.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Email
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G00648/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G00648/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G00648/apply
Contact: Inger Rice Foundation **Address:** PO Box 3471 Weston Creek CANBERRA 2611 ACT
Email: inger.rice.foundation@gmail.com **Phone:** 0438 897 993

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International Child Abduction Respondents Scheme

Funding Provider
Attorney-General's Department

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G14527

Primary Category
Children and families

Eligible to
- Individual
- Business

Funding
Total Pool: $4,865,000

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The International Child Abduction Respondents Scheme (ICARS) may provide funding to an individual who is responding to a 1980 Hague *Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction* application seeking the return of a child under the Family Law in an Australian court.

Limitations

You may be eligible for ICARS if you are:

- defending or proposing to defend an application filed in an Australian court under the Regulations seeking a return order for a child (or children)
- appealing or proposing to appeal a return order made by an Australian court under the Regulations
- responding to or proposing to respond to an appeal against a non-return decision made by an Australian court under the Regulations.

ICARS applications can be made for proceedings filed under the Regulations on or after 1 January 2024.

You will also have to demonstrate you satisfy certain assessment critera. The application form will ask you to provide information about:

- whether funding the legal action would cause you financial hardship
- your criminal history
- the nature of the legal action and its potential impact.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Email
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G14527/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G14527/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G14527/apply
Email: finass@ag.gov.au **Phone:** 1800 117 995

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Kids Access All Areas Vouchers program

Funding Provider
Department of Creative Industries, Tourism and Sport (WA)

Location
WA

Funding Type
Rebate U00767

Primary Category
Children and families

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
Amount: $50 to $200

Rounds
Closes **30 Apr 2026**

Purpose

The Kids Access All Areas Vouchers program will give WA children the chance to experience the joy of arts and culture - connecting families with local performances and supporting the creatives who make them possible.

Overview

The Kids Access All Areas Vouchers program is an exciting new initiative for Western Australian children aged 5 to 15 to attend arts and cultural events. Up to 25,000 vouchers will be available each year over 2 years.

Parents and guardians of children aged 5 to 15 can reserve one $50 voucher per child, up to a maximum of 4 children for $200.

Limitations

Vouchers for the first round are limited and can be reserved until 30 April 2026, unless otherwise exhausted. You will then have until 31 May 2026 to buy tickets and claim your rebate.

The next round of Kids Access All Areas Vouchers is planned to open in August 2026.

Parents and guardians of children aged 5 to 15 can reserve one $50 voucher per child, up to a maximum of 4 children for $200.

Kids Access All Areas vouchers are limited to 1 per eligible child for the entire program. If you reserve a voucher in the first release, you won't be eligible for the second release.

Any unused balance on first round vouchers expires after 31 May 2026.

Rebates must be claimed by 31 May 2026.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00767/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00767/guidelines
Website: support@digital.wa.gov.au

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Organisation Grants (SA)

Funding Provider
Variety - the Children's Charity

Location
SA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G15118

Primary Category
Children and families

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- School
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Variety SA Grants Program provides much needed equipment and resources for SA children who are sick, disadvantaged or have special needs.

Overview

Our Grants Program is designed to be flexible to allow you to apply for the items that best meet your needs. Every organisation is different, so every application is considered on an individual basis. However, there are some restrictions. For example, we don't fund salaries, research or retrospective grants. See our application form for full details. Variety aims to 'fill the gaps' and prioritise requests for which there are no alternate sources of support. If the Variety Grants Committee believes that funding is already available through another agency you may be referred elsewhere, unless you can explain why you cannot access their support. Variety does not give cash. Instead, we purchase equipment / services directly on behalf of the grant recipient, or reimburse upon presentation of receipts.

Limitations

Assistance is available for organisations supporting South Australian children aged up to 18 years of age, who are sick, disadvantaged or have special needs. To apply for assistance, you must be able to demonstrate a genuine need (including financial evidence) and information on how the assistance requested will meet this need.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G15118/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G15118/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G15118/apply
Email: grants@varietysa.org.au **Phone:** (08) 8293 8744

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Secondary Assistance Scheme (SAS)

Funding Provider
Department of Education (WA)

Location
WA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19517

Primary Category
Children and families

Eligible to
- Individual

Funding
$350
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **2 Apr 2026**

Purpose

The Secondary Assistance Scheme (SAS) is available to low-income families with children enrolled in secondary schooling to assist with school expenses.

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Overview

Low-income families can get financial assistance with secondary school costs for Years 7 to 12 by applying for the SAS. The scheme is open to parents and guardians with children enrolled in public or non-government schools or registered for homeschooling.

The SAS has an education program allowance which is paid to the school and a clothing allowance which is paid to the parent. For public school students, parents and guardians have the option to pay the clothing allowance toward the school for other expenses.

Speak to your child's school to discuss your eligibility. If you're a home educator, contact your nearest education regional office.

The SAS clothing allowance is $115 for the 2026 school year.

The SAS is made up of 2 allowances:

- The Education Program Allowance is $235. This is paid to your school unless you are registered for homeschooling.
- The Clothing Allowance is $115. This is paid to the applicant's nominated bank account. For public school students, parents and guardians have the option to pay it to the school.

Limitations

You are eligible for the SAS if you:

- hold an eligible concession card, with the name of the student listed. This could be either a:
    - Services Australia (Centrelink) Pensioner Concession card
    - Services Australia (Centrelink) Health Care card
    - Department of Veterans' Affairs Pensioner Concession card (blue card only).
- have children enrolled in Years 7 to 12 studying a full-time secondary course at a Western Australian school, or registered with a Western Australian Department of Education Regional Office for homeschooling
- have not previously claimed for the same student in the same year (or where another parent/guardian has made a claim previously)
- are not a foster parent
- are an Independent student in secondary school with an eligible concession card.

Other eligibility information:

- students are eligible up to and including the year the child turns 18 while enrolled in a secondary school
- students who have their own Health Care Card but are dependent on their parent or guardian are not eligible.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19517/info

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Seize the Day Educational Scholarships

Funding Provider
Cancer Council of Tasmania

Location
TAS

Funding Type
Scholarship S04762

Primary Category
Children and families

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
Amount: $500 to $2,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
not defined

Last Round
Closed **1 Mar 2023**

Purpose

Seize the Day Educational Scholarships help with post-secondary education costs for young Tasmanians impacted by cancer.

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Overview

Scholarships are between $500 - $2,000, depending on personal circumstances, eligibility and the impact of cancer. Funds can be used towards study-related costs such as course fees, textbooks, stationery, course equipment, transport and accommodation.

Limitations

If you are a Tasmanian studying post secondary education in Tasmania or interstate; aged between 16 and 25; have been affected by cancer directly, or indirectly through an immediate family member (sibling, parent, guardian, spouse or child); and are pursuing further education you are eligible to apply.

Eligibility Criteria for Applicants

- aged between 16 - 25 years
- impacted by cancer diagnosis of self or immediate family member OR bereaved by cancer
- engaged in post-secondary education or training course in 2022 including university, TasTAFE, VET or an apprenticeship
- able to provide contact details of a professional who can verify your cancer experience, i.e. teacher, support worker, social worker, nurse, doctor etc
- permanent resident of Tasmania
- your details will be shared with CanTeen as a part of the application process

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Phone, Email
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S04762/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S04762/apply
Email: under25program@cancertas.org.au **Phone:** 1300 65 65 85

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Supplies Grant WIGS

Funding Provider
Variety - the Children's Charity

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G10899

Primary Category
Children and families

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$5,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Variety NSW/ACT provides assistance up to the value of $5,000 towards the purchase of a human hair or synthetic hair wig for children who have lost their hair due to a permanent medical condition such as Alopecia Areata.

Overview

It is at the discretion of the applicant to source the supplier of the Wig. Variety NSW/ACT does not directly advocate for any particular preferred supplier.

Application

- Applications are open all year round
- Applications are made on behalf of the child by a Parent/Carer or another identified support person (Medical professional, caseworker, teacher etc.) aged 18 years and over
- Applicants will be expected to submit a truthful and factual application & attach relevant documentation as evidence, addressing but not limited to the following points:
    - Name and contact details of applicant
    - Details directly related to the child's diagnosis including Doctor's information
    - Details directly related to the item (i.e. wig) including supplier information

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• Financial documents related to household income

Limitations

Eligibility

- Applicants must live in NSW, ACT, QLD, VIC, TAS, WA, SA or NT
- Applications can only be accepted for children aged between 4 to 18 years
- Applicants must be diagnosed with permanent hair loss such as Alopecia Areata.
- Previous recipients will not be considered for another a Wig grant until 12 months after the date listed on their outcome letter
- Unsuccessful applicants may be eligible to reapply for a Wig grant 12 months after the date listed on their outcome letter
- The gross family household income must not exceed $100,000 per annum (this includes child support payments, rental income, investment income, overseas income or any other income that is received by any parent/carer who is financially responsible for the beneficiary). (Applications from families with an income exceeding this amount can still be submitted and any extenuating factors will be assessed by the Grants Committee.)

Wig Grant requests not eligible

The following will not be considered as part of the grant request:

- Due to their cost and longevity, human hair wigs will only be approved for conditions resulting in permanent hair loss.
- Retrospective funding – only items purchased after the approval date will be eligible to claim as part of the grant
- Servicing or maintenance of the wig.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G10899/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G10899/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G10899/apply
Email: kidssupport@varietynsw.org.au

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TechKids Grant (WA)

Funding Provider
Variety - the Children's Charity

Location
WA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G12286

Primary Category
Children and families

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$1,200
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Variety TechKids Grants provide assistive technology to help WA kids with their communication, learning, behavioural regulation and safety.

Overview

Items you can apply for may include:

- Tablets (iPad etc)
- Laptop/ computer
- C-Pen/ scanning pen
- Software
- GPS watch
- Accessories

Request limit: Up to: $1,200 - laptop and other $800 - iPad inc case

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Household income limit: $115,000 pa

Application rounds for TechKids are open from January to October annually.

The application can be completed by a parent or carer, or approved third party (key therapist, social worker, support worker etc.) if they have consent of the parent or carer.

Note: Variety programs are being updated and will reopen early next year.

Limitations

Eligibility

- The child you are applying for must reside in WA
- The child you are applying for must be aged 0-17
- The child you are applying for must have a disability or sickness (long-term health condition)
- Family household income is below the guide
- Equipment is not available via government funded or alternative sources

Ineligible requests

- Equipment where funding is available from the government or other grant funds
- Individuals 18 years of age and older
- Projects that require recurrent funding
- Expenses considered to be part of an individual's typical cost of living
- Warranties, insurance, maintenance, service agreements, batteries or repairs
- Subscriptions or plan costs
- Services or training costs
- Retrospective expenses
- Incomplete application forms

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G12286/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G12286/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G12286/apply
Email: kidssupport@varietywa.org.au **Phone:** 9355 3655

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Thriving Places

Funding Provider
William Buckland Foundation

Location
VIC

Funding Type
Cash Grant G17948

Primary Category
Children and families

Eligible to
Not-for-Profit

Funding

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Place based resilience supports communities to put children and families first.

Overview

Strategic Priorities support:

- Long-term collaborations and partnerships
- Enabling integration of services and equity of access to services and technology
- Backing community-led and First Nations led responses
- Fostering meaning and belonging

Currently funding in the regional Victorian Hume area, with a focus on Benalla, Seymour and Shepparton.

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Please note: The Foundations granting strategy 2025-2030 will guide their grant making from 1 July 2025 and they will not be holding open grant rounds as they transition to their new strategy. Register your interest and they will let you know which regions they will be focusing on and when any open rounds are coming up

Limitations

Eligible organisations will be ACNC registered Charities and/or public Benevolent Institutions (PBI's)

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G17948/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G17948/apply
Email: Info@williambucklandfoundation.org.au **Phone:** 1300 133 472

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Variety EduKids Program - QLD

Funding Provider
Variety - the Children's Charity

Location
QLD

Funding Type
In-kind Contribution U00751

Primary Category
Children and families

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **11 Jan 2026 Midnight**

Purpose

The EduKids Grant provides essential back-to-school stationery packs to Queensland students aged 5-17 experiencing financial hardship. Packs are prepared by our partner Stationery Aid using booklists you provide.

Overview

The families of many kids in Queensland schools cannot provide the basics for their kids' education - textbooks, stationery, and other essentials.

Variety has partnered with Sequel Books & Stationery to ensure these kids get a fair go at school to reach their full learning potential. Families and schools are welcome to apply for a Variety EduKids grant to cover their booklist essentials.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00751/info
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00751/apply
Email: kidssupport@varietyqld.org.au **Phone:** 07 3907 9300

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Variety Heart Scholarships (SA)

Funding Provider
Variety - the Children's Charity

Location
SA

Funding Type
Scholarship S05438

Primary Category
Children and families

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
Amount: Undisclosed to $5,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Variety Heart Scholarships Program supports children with an existing talent, who are disadvantaged or living with a disability, to achieve their full potential and to follow their dreams.

Overview

Applications can only be accepted for children up to the age of 18 and who are SA residents. Scholarships are awarded to support children in the areas of the arts and sport. Scholarships are awarded on a yearly basis and must be spent within 12 months. Scholarships will be limited to $5,000 per year, per application. Depending on the level of progress, scholarships may be renewed with a new application and supporting documentation submitted each year.

Some examples of scholarship applications are:

The Arts: Singing or dance lessons, art tuition, art materials and supplies, exhibition or competition entry fees, costumes.

Sport: equipment, clothing, shoes, entry, membership or registration fees, coaching fees, travel to competitions or training.

Limitations

Variety SA Scholarships Program is open annually for children who are sick, disadvantaged or have special needs. Applications can only be accepted for children between the ages of 8 and 17 and who are SA residents.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05438/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05438/apply
Email: grants@varietysa.org.au **Phone:** (08) 8293 8744

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Attachment Program

Funding Provider
Screen Queensland

Location
QLD

Funding Type
Contract Or Tender T00025

Primary Category
Communication media

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Screen Queensland Attachment program facilitates paid, project-based attachments that provide essential on-the-job experience on Screen Queensland-supported films, series and games.

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Overview

Through Screen Queensland's Production Attraction Strategy and Screen Finance Fund, early career screen practitioners are supported to undertake a paid placement to gain valuable hands-on experience alongside experienced practitioners on eligible productions for approximately 5 to 12 weeks.

Prospective attachments can apply to the Screen Queensland Attachment Talent Pool with applications carefully reviewed and considered for upcoming attachment opportunities. Short-listed applicants will be contacted directly by Screen Queensland.

The Attachment Talent Pool is open for applications year-round, with opportunities dependent on the number of eligible productions filming in the state at any one time.

Limitations

Applications to this program are for inclusion in Screen Queensland's Talent Pool.

Applicants must:

- be a Queensland resident (view our Terms of Trade for eligibility requirements)
- have satisfied one or more of these requirements:
- have graduated from a relevant tertiary, TAFE or Vocational Education course
- have production credits on at least 30 minutes of screen content, or
- have transferable skills/significant related experience in other parallel industries that qualify the applicant for the specific role (such as electrician, carpenter, hair and makeup).

You are not eligible to apply if:

- you are enrolled full-time in a film, television or interactive digital media course at a film school or other tertiary educational institution (applications from part-time students will be assessed on a case-by-case basis)
- you have already been an attachment in the past 12 months.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/T00025/info
Email: content@screenqld.com.au

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Audio Ability

Funding Provider
Community Media Training Organisation (CMTO)

Location
VIC
NSW
QLD
SA

Funding Type
In-kind Contribution U00766

Primary Category
Communication media

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **27 Jan 2026**

Purpose

Audio Ability is a free 16-week blended learning program that offers training and mentorship to people with disabilities who are interested in working in radio.

Overview

You and your mentor will work together to build your broadcast skills, gain confidence in the studio and learn about working and volunteering at your local community radio station.

The program includes:

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- virtual workshops
- in-person training
- online self-paced modules
- personalised mentoring

It's an opportunity to develop meaningful relationships and engage with new peers from around the nation who share common experiences and interests!

"In some ways it's a little bit like playing pass the parcel, because you peel off layers of mystery surrounding community broadcasting and discover a nice surprise which is a new ability." - (Audio Ability Participant)

The program also helps participants to gain understanding of workplace rights and key skills through volunteer placements at community radio stations.

The biggest change I noticed is the way my daughter has been able to take part in the weekly online class with other participants from all over Australia. In the beginning she wasn't quite sure what it was all about and was quite nervous but they all worked well together and she could be herself with the group.' - (Parent of Audio Ability Participant)

The program is also being offered in languages other than English, so if you prefer to learn or broadcast in your language, we encourage you to to put in an expression of interest.

Limitations

We are looking for Participants who:

- Live and operate in NSW, QLD, VIC or SA
- Identify as living with disability
- Have an interest in developing skills and knowledge in community radio or TV and ambition to work in the creative industries
- Are able to commit to a 16-week program, with flexible hours

Note:

- Prior community radio experience is non-essential
- English literacy skills are non-essential

We highly encourage people who identify as CALD, First Nations, LGBTQIA+ and youth to submit an expression of interest and take part in the program.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00766/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00766/apply
Website: https://cmto.org.au/latest/audio-ability-2026-eois/

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Career Development Grants

Funding Providers
Screen Territory
Department of Tourism and Hospitality (NT)

Location
NT

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19313

Primary Category
Communication media

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$15,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **18 May 2026 2:30 PM (ACST)**

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Purpose

Screen Territory will support a limited number of Northern Territory screen practitioners at mid or advanced career level to gain further hands-on professional experience under the guidance of highly experienced practitioners or through meaningful placements within production companies or screen productions.

Overview

The program is aimed at supporting exceptional national or international opportunities made available to Northern Territory practitioners including key creatives and technicians.

Opportunities may take the form of:

- A meaningful attachment to a department or crew role during the production of a film or screen project.
- An internship within a production company.
- An internship within a post-production facility.
- A bespoke mentorship whereby a highly experienced film or television practitioner is funded to mentor an early or mid-career practitioner (the mentee) while engaged in a specific role on a specific project.

Attachments and internships are aimed at providing meaningful hands-on experience in a real-world professional environments to provide real and lasting career pathways.

Mentorships are aimed at giving practitioners in key creative and managerial roles access to high level advice and support to enhance career progression.

Limitations

The application must:

- Come from the individual practitioner, who must be a Northern Territory resident and meet eligibility criteria as per the Terms of Trade; or a production company hosting the attachment.
- Have the endorsement of the host production company/practitioner or mentor.
- Represent a significant professional development opportunity in the applicant's area of expertise.
- Be an attachment, internship or mentorship of no less than six weeks in length.

Funding is not available through this program where a production company has undertaken to provide an attachment as part of an agreement with Screen Territory for production finance.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19313/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19313/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19313/apply
Email: screen.territory@nt.gov.au **Phone:** 08 8999 3976

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Charlie's Lab

Funding Provider
Screen Queensland

Location
QLD

Funding Type
In-kind Contribution U00324

Primary Category
Communication media

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Screen Queensland will offer local industry practitioners the opportunity to secure full access to Charlie's in Los Angeles — a space for Queenslanders to network, brainstorm and connect with international creatives.

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Overview

Charlie's provides an intersection point for Australian screen practitioners and the wider international screen industry, creating a softer landing for Australians when they arrive in Los Angeles. The space is also used as a base to meet with Hollywood executives and open doors for further career opportunities.

Located at The Lot in Formosa, the heart of West Hollywood, each successful candidate will receive a hot desk space, as well as support from Screen Queensland and Australians In Film. The space is equipped with writing desks, a writers' room with whiteboards and screens, TV and Wi-Fi.

Limitations

To be eligible, applicants must:

- be a bona fide Queensland resident, having resided in Queensland for at least the previous six months
- meet Screen Queensland general eligibility requirements as set out in the Terms of Trade.

Screen Queensland encourages applications from diverse screen practitioners identifying as Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander, culturally and linguistically diverse, female, LGBTQIA+, person living with disability, regional or remotely based and lower socio-economic status.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00324/info

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00324/apply
Email: content@screenqld.com.au **Phone:** 3248 0500

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Charlie's Working Space, LA

Funding Provider
Screen NSW

Location
NSW

Funding Type
Workplace Support U00550

Primary Category
Communication media

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
Total Pool: Unknown

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Screen NSW, in partnership with Australians in Film (AiF), offers NSW screen practitioners the opportunity to secure access to two dedicated co-working spaces at Charlie's in Los Angeles.

Overview

Successful applicants to Charlie's will receive access to:

- One desk and a writers' room with whiteboards and screens
- Wi-Fi
- An equipped kitchen
- AiF staff.

Charlie's is located in the Writer's Building at The Lot Studios in West Hollywood.

Please note that all costs associated with travel to LA are to be met by the applicant. Access to Charlie's is a service not a grant.

Limitations

Eligibility

NSW-based screen practitioners who are visiting LA for the purpose of professional development or screen industry related business can apply to access up to two Screen NSW hot desks, free of charge.

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Please note:

- NSW-based means the applicant must be based in and working from NSW, and ordinarily have lived in NSW for at least six months immediately prior to the date of the application
- Applicants must be over 18 years.

Screen NSW is keen to support applicants whose use of Charlie's will have a direct benefit to their career, projects and ultimately the NSW screen industry.

Please refer to our Terms of Trade for more information regarding eligible individuals.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00550/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00550/guidelines

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00550/apply
Email: industry@screen.nsw.gov.au **Phone:** 03 9320 6888

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Content Grants

Funding Provider
Community Broadcasting Foundation Ltd

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19545

Primary Category
Communication media

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Opens **12 Jan 2026** Closes **3 Mar 2026**

Purpose

Content grants aim to support the development, production and distribution of local content that reflects, amplifies and enriches the diverse and ever evolving communities of Australia.

Overview

The objectives of Content grants are to support community media organisations to:

- Increase community participation and engagement in community media that is inclusive and accessible to all
- Amplify and reflect the voices, cultures and languages of Australia's diverse communities
- Build audiences by supporting creativity, excellence and innovation in community media content production
- Expand partnerships to explore new forms of storytelling across topics and platforms.

Limitations

You can apply for a Content grant if you are a current or prospective community broadcaster who is producing content for broadcast by a recognised community media organisation.

While the application process is open to any producer, the grant itself must be managed by one eligible organisation listed below. We recommend you negotiate an auspice agreement with any auspice organisation you work with.

Eligible organisations include:

- a community radio station
- a community television station
- an incorporated non-pro#t community media sector organisation*
- a Remote Indigenous Media Organisation or Remote Indigenous Broadcasting Service
- an incorporated not-for-pro#t organisation

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Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19545/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19545/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19545/apply
Contact: Dean Linguey
Email: dean@cbf.com.au **Phone:** 03 8341 5988

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Development Funding

Funding Provider
Screen Queensland

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G13153

Primary Category
Communication media

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Business
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
$100,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Development Fund assists Queensland-based practitioners and interstate producers working with Queensland-based key creatives with up to $50,000 to turn their fresh, exciting and marketable ideas into a project ready for the screen.

Overview

The Development Fund supports projects with a clearly defined plan to meaningfully progress to the next critical stage on their journey to screen.

Development funding is offered in three tiers, depending on the applicant's stage of development, evidence of marketplace interest and residency status (Queensland or interstate).

Tier 1: Up to $15,000 (Queensland residents)

- Funding directed toward Queensland spend only
- Queensland-resident applicants and producers, including sole practitioners are encouraged to apply
- For Queensland resident sole practitioners, written confirmation of a suitable producer's attachment to the project must be provided
- Interstate producers with a strong track record of professional screen credits may apply for funding that supports Queensland-resident key creatives
- Minimum creative materials:
    - *Scripted*
        - treatment (draft scripts preferable)
    - *Unscripted*
        - demonstrable evidence of access arrangements, along with minimum one-page pitch document – treatment preferable

Tier 2: $15,001 - $30,000 (Queensland-residents and interstate)

- Funding toward Queensland spend only
- Queensland applicants:
    - must be a rights-holding Queensland-resident producer retaining minimum 50% I.P./copyright in the project and
    - must have a Queensland-resident writer or director attached (with attachment confirmed in writing)
    - no Letter of Interest/Intent (LOI) from marketplace required but applications that demonstrate marketplace interest will generally be more competitive
- Interstate applicants:
    - must be a rights-holding producer
    - must have minimum 50% writers/directors (attachment confirmed in writing) as Queenslanders

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- must demonstrate clear intent to bring production to Queensland AND/OR, story is set in Queensland and intent is to shoot Queensland as Queensland
- Letter of Intent required

- Minimum creative materials required:
  - *Scripted*
    - draft script(s) or equivalent well-developed, competitive creative materials
  - *Unscripted*
    - advanced Treatment and evidence of access arrangements

Tier 3: Slate funding $25,000 - $50,000 (Queensland-resident producers)

- Slate funding capped at $50,000 for entire slate
- Slate funding is available for established Queensland-resident producers with a track record of successful commissions and productions and may be applied to a slate of minimum 4 projects
- Applicant may only apply for slate funding once per financial year
- If successful, slate development deliverables will need to be fully acquitted before Screen Queensland will accept other applications for Development funding. Exceptions to this will be considered on a case-by-case basis, and may require evidence of substantial progress of slate deliverables
- Slate funding deliverables must be acquitted within 6 months
- Marketplace LOIs desirable but not required
- Minimum creative materials may be a combination of early-stage creative materials (e.g. treatments, one-pagers, early draft scripts), depending on ask and stage of development
- Please contact Screen Queensland before applying for slate funding.

Cap of $100,000 of development funding in any form, per financial year per applicant/company/associated company. Cap of $100,000 total development funding for any one project over its lifetime.

Limitations

The Development Fund is open to anyone who:

- lives and works in Queensland (and has been a resident of the state for at least six months immediately preceding the application; proof of residency may be required) OR
- for Interstate applicants, must be an Australian resident working with minimum 50% writers or directors who live and work in Queensland
- can ensure requested funding is directed towards Queensland elements
- can provide the required detail/documents for the program they are applying for
- owns the rights to the story they are telling.

Applicants or key creatives who identify as Queensland residents must have been a resident of the state for at least six months immediately preceding the application (proof of residency may be required).

It is important that your team of key creatives authentically represent the story and characters in your application. If your story includes content or characters from a diverse background, (e.g. female, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, culturally and linguistically diverse people, people with a disability, or LGBTQIA+ people) then appropriate representation of that diversity must be ensured throughout the production.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G13153/info

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G13153/apply
Email: content@screenqld.com.au **Phone:** 3248 0500

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Development on Demand - Documentary

Funding Provider
VicScreen

Location
VIC

Funding Type
Cash Grant G07298

Primary Category
Communication media

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Business

Funding
$50,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Development On Demand supports producers and writers to develop narrative fiction or documentary projects, including VR for any release platform, including cinema, television, and online.

Overview

VicScreen is seeking strong, vivid and distinct projects with clearly articulated development goals and applications that clearly address all the assessment criteria.

What projects are eligible?

- Documentary Television projects with evidence of market interest (minimum Letter of Interest).
- For documentary Feature Films, market interest is not required.

What can you receive funding for?

- Film Victoria funding is a partial contribution to the next stage of development. Applicants are expected to supplement this funding with their own or third party contributions.
- Funding requests may include:
    - For documentary projects – research, writing of a treatment, creation of a teaser, strategic shooting.
    - In exceptional circumstances, for projects at an advanced stage with significant market interest: budgeting, scheduling and casting (if relevant) to finalise production finance.

How much can you apply for?

- Up to $50,000, depending on the project type and level of market interest.
- Requested amounts should be appropriate for the development activities proposed, the scope of the final project being developed and aligned with our Budget Guide.
- Film Victoria funding is provided as a development investment, which must be repaid from the production budget if and when a project proceeds to production.

This listing is specifically about the Documentary stream of the program, click here for the Fiction stream.

Limitations

You must be a writer or producer that is an Australian individual or company. View VicScreens Terms of Trade for eligibility requirements.

Writer applicants:

- must be Victorian.
- can only receive one round of funding for a project without a producer. Any subsequent applications for funding, must have an eligible producer attached.

Victorian Producer applicants:

- may engage a non-Victorian writer, however, preference is given to all-Victorian teams.

Non-Victorian Producer applicants:

- must engage a Victorian writer and the project must be substantially shot and/or completed in Victoria

In addition to the above, all applications must qualify based on one of the below criteria:

- The applicant and/or at least one member of the project team must have a credit on a qualifying project.
    - Qualifying projects are those that have been commercially distributed or exhibited, and/or sold to a recognised commissioning platform.

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- The credit must be associated with the type of project that is being submitted for development support (e.g. fiction feature, documentary series) and the credit must relate to one of the following roles: Writer, Producer or in some certain circumstances, Executive Producers with a track record in securing production financing.
- Individual Victorian practitioners who have received development funding or successfully participated in a development initiative from a recognised development agency or market player. (Assessment of this prior support will be subject to the discretion of VicScreen).
- Members of the VicScreen Key Talent Placements Register.
- You can provide evidence of market interest (minimum Letter of Interest) or secured co-funding from a recognised distributor or commissioning platform.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G07298/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G07298/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G07298/apply
Email: nadia.macaulay@vicscreen.vic.gov.au

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Development on Demand - Fiction

Funding Provider
VicScreen

Location
VIC

Funding Type
Cash Grant G08946

Primary Category
Communication media

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Business

Funding
$50,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Development On Demand supports experienced Victorian producers and writers to develop narrative fiction or documentary projects for any release platform, including cinema, television, online and virtual reality.

Overview

VicScreen is seeking strong, vivid and distinct projects with clearly articulated development goals and applications that clearly address all the assessment criteria.

What projects are eligible?

- Narrative fiction projects for any release platform including cinema, television, online and virtual reality

What can you receive funding for?

- Film Victoria funding is a partial contribution to the next stage of development. Applicants are expected to supplement this funding with their own or third party contributions.
- Funding requests may include:
  - For fiction series or one-off projects: writers' room costs, series bibles, draft to draft writing.
  - For fiction feature projects: draft to draft writing, story editors, and consultants
  - In exceptional circumstances, for projects at an advanced stage with significant market interest: budgeting, scheduling and casting (if relevant) to finalise production finance.

How much can you apply for?

- Up to $50,000, depending on the project type and level of market interest.
- Requested amounts should be appropriate for the development activities proposed, the scope of the final project being developed and aligned with our Budget Guide.
- VicScreen funding is provided as a development investment, which must be repaid from the production budget if and when a project proceeds to production.

This listing is specifically about the Fiction stream of the program, click here for the Documentary stream.

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Limitations

You must be a writer or producer that is an Australian individual or company. View Vicscreen Terms of Trade for eligibility requirements.

- Writer applicants:
  - must be Victorian.
  - can only receive one round of funding for a project without a producer. Any subsequent applications for funding, must have an eligible producer attached.
- Victorian Producer applicants:
  - may engage a non-Victorian writer, however, preference is given to all-Victorian teams.
- Non-Victorian Producer applicants:
  - must engage a Victorian writer and the project must be substantially shot and/or completed in Victoria.

In addition to the above, all applications must qualify based on one of the below criteria:

- The applicant and/or at least one member of the project team must have a credit on a qualifying project.
  - Qualifying projects are those that have been commercially distributed or exhibited, and/or sold to a recognised commissioning platform.
  - The credit must be associated with the type of project that is being submitted for development support (e.g. fiction feature, documentary series) and the credit must relate to one of the following roles: Writer, Producer or in some certain circumstances, Executive Producers with a track record in securing production financing.
- Individual Victorian practitioners who have received development funding or successfully participated in a development initiative from a recognised development agency or market player. (Assessment of this prior support will be subject to the discretion of VicScreen).
- Members of the VicScreen Key Talent Placements Register.
- You can provide evidence of market interest (minimum Letter of Interest) or secured co-funding from a recognised distributor or commissioning platform.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G08946/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G08946/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G08946/apply
Email: connie.boyce@vicscreen.vic.gov.au

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Digital Games Incentive

Funding Provider
Screen Queensland

Location
QLD

Funding Type
Cash Grant G11930

Primary Category
Communication media

Eligible to
- Individual
- Business

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Screen Queensland Digital Games Incentive aims to attract game development projects to Queensland and encourage further growth in the local sector.

Overview

This incentive is designed to support local developers, as well as international game companies looking to establish a new studio in Queensland to expand their business.

The objectives of the Incentive are to:

- increase game publisher engagement with independent Queensland game developers;

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- incentivise game companies interested in establishing or growing a presence in Queensland;
- create employment and skill development opportunities for Queensland game; and
- to equitably support the games industry in Queensland by providing incentives to as large a number of games entities as possible.

Applicants with projects that are eligible for the Incentive may also be eligible for funding through other Screen Queensland programs.

Incentive amount

The Incentive is calculated at up to fifteen percent (15%) of qualifying QGDE and may be subject to a cap.

The final Incentive amount will be at the absolute discretion of Screen Queensland and is subject to factors including the availability of funding at the time of application, the total funding available for the Incentive and the total number of qualifying applicants.

The Incentive will be administered with the objective of equitably supporting the games industry in Queensland and providing incentives to as large a number of games entities as possible.

This is a rolling fund. Apply at any time.

Limitations

The Incentive is available to game developers, publishers and studios with game projects that:

- are spending a minimum of AU$250,000 on qualifying Queensland Game Development Expenditure (QGDE);
- have a development team made up of Genuine Queensland Residents. Screen Queensland defines this as a person or company who has been resident in Queensland for at least 2 months.

The following game formats are eligible to receive the Incentive:

- entertainment games;
- premium and free-to-play games;
- live-ops development;
- games for mobile phones, PC/Mac, Consoles, VR/AR; and
- games intended for public release.

The following are ineligible to receive the Incentive:

- games that are not completely digital (boardgames or hybrid digital/physical games);
- gambling games;
- games that are, in Screen Queensland's opinion, likely to be refused classification under the *Classification (Publications, Films and Computer Games) Act 1995*;
- games designed to, in Screen Queensland' opinion, predominantly or substantially market, promote or advertise a product or service;
- games designed primarily for educational or training purposes.

Only one company may apply for the Incentive per game.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G11930/info

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G11930/apply
Email: games@screenqld.com.au **Phone:** (07) 3248 0500

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Direct to Audience Production Program

Funding Provider
Screen Canberra

Location
ACT

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19798

Primary Category
Communication media

Eligible to
- Individual
- Business

Funding
$300,000 (approx)

Rounds
Closes **4 Jan 2026**

Opens **19 Jan 2026** Closes **1 Mar 2026**

Purpose

The Direct to Audience Production Program supports ACT creators who independently produce and release their work directly to online audiences.

Overview

Eligible projects may be released on platforms such as YouTube, TikTok, Instagram or Facebook and must not be commissioned by a broadcaster or streaming platform.

This program is ideal for short form narrative, factual, comedy, animation and digital first content that has a clear audience and demonstrates strong creative potential.

Available funding:

- Production Grants - Non recoupable grants up to $40,000

Each dollar provided is expected to meet a 1:4 Qualifying ACT Expenditure (QACTE) ratio.

Limitations

Applicants must:

- Have an active ABN
- Be ACT based or demonstrate clear ACT economic benefit
- Hold the rights required to develop and release the game
- Have meaningful creative and or financial control
- Have the capacity and resources to deliver the proposed work
- Meet Screen Canberra's Terms of Trade

Individuals must also:

- Be at least 18
- Be Australian citizens or permanent residents
- Not be full time students
- Be ACT based or engage at least two ACT based key creatives

Companies must also:

- Be incorporated in Australia
- Be ACT based or be genuine co producers with an ACT based company, or meet the minimum ACT spend requirement
- Not be gambling companies or educational institutions

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19798/info

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19798/apply
Email: info@screencanberra.com.au

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Documentary Development

Funding Provider
Screen Australia

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G09637

Primary Category
Communication media

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$30,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Documentary Development Program supports content makers to develop documentary projects for Theatrical, Television and Direct-to-Audience release (e.g. YouTube, Facebook, Virtual Reality (VR), Extended Reality (XR) and Augmented Reality (AR) platforms).

Overview

The aims of the Documentary Development Program are to support:

- distinctive storytelling for a range of budgets and audiences across local and global paltforms; and
- content makers at different career stages who reflect the breadth of Australia in service of cultural, creative and economic outcomes.

Applicants may apply for any amount up to $30,000.

Limitations

Eligibility

Applicants and projects must meet Screen Australia's Terms of Trade, any general eligibility or other requirements set out on Screen Australia's website (see Information for Applicants and Information for Recipients), as well as the specific eligibility criteria set out in these guidelines.

Specific requirements apply to projects which involve First Nations participation or content.

Specific requirements may apply to projects which involve participation or content with the following communities: d/Deaf, disabled, culturally and linguistically diverse, LGBTQIA+, or those from other under-represented groups.

Applicant Eligibility:

This program is open to individuals (either alone or as part of a team of co-applicants) and Australian companies:

- An individual applicant must be an Australian citizen or Australian permanent resident (holding a permanent visa).
- An applicant company must be an incorporated company conducting business in Australia, with its central management and control in Australia.
- For international co-productions, applications must be made by the Australian applicant.

Applicants must also:

- have an Australian Business Number (ABN); and
- be registered for GST if required by law
- demonstrate, with the exception of anticipated Official Co-Productions, that the project is written and directed by Australian citizens or permanent residents and that any non-Australian producers do not prevent the project from meeting the requirements of Screen Australia's other eligibility requirements.
- control the rights to the project that is the subject of the application (including any relevant copyright and appropriate clearances from all significant participants). This means that:
    - applicants must have, or be in a position to acquire on appropriate terms, an assignment of all underlying rights, including copyright, required to develop, produce and commercially exploit the project and any sequels, spinoffs and remakes (including a format).
    - where the application is based on an underlying work, Screen Australia will expect, at the least, an appropriate option and purchase agreement (to which the applicant or co-applicants must be party), with an option period of at least 18 months from the date of application to Screen Australia (inclusive of any possible extension period/s).

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- where the rights are shared between multiple parties, all such rights-holders should be included as co-applicants (note that this will not apply to anticipated Official Co-Production projects, for which the applicant will be the Australian co-producer).
- For anticipated Official Co-Production projects, Screen Australia expects that the ownership and control of the rights be shared between the relevant co-producers, provided that such proportional ownership and control aligns with an existing co-development agreement or heads of agreement between the co-producers. During development, Screen Australia generally requires the Australian co-producer in an anticipated Official Co-Production to (i) hold no less than 50% of the rights in and to the development materials; and (ii) have the final say over creative decisions on the project.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G09637/info

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G09637/apply
Email: documentary@screenaustralia.gov.au **Phone:** 1800 507 901

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Documentary Development Investment Fund

Funding Provider
ScreenWest

Location
WA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19770

Primary Category
Communication media

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Business

Funding
$25,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **6 Jan 2026**

Purpose

This fund invests in the development of documentary and factual programming in order to support and grow a sustainable Western Australian screen industry.

Overview

There are a minimum of two rounds per financial year.

Funding Available:

- Up to $25,000 per project application.
- There will be a minimum of two competitive rounds per financial year.
- Funding is not automatic, even if an applicant can demonstrate they meet all the assessment criteria.
- Screenwest may approve funding less than the requested amount, as guided by the recommendations made during the assessment process and the total demand on available funds.

Project eligibility

The project must be a documentary project in one of the following formats:

- Feature
- Single
- Series
- Large format (e.g. IMAX)
- Innovative documentary project.

Limitations

Applicant / Company Eligibility

The applicant / company must:

- Meet the general eligibility requirements set out in the Screenwest Terms of Trade.

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- Be a Western Australian resident or Production Company as defined in the Screenwest Terms of Trade. (Non-Western Australian productions will only be considered where the Production Company brings demonstrated strong economic and/or ongoing creative opportunities to the State).

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19770/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19770/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19770/apply
Email: funding@screenwest.com.au **Phone:** 08 6169 2100

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Dynamic Television Scripted Initiative

Funding Provider
Screen Australia

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19715

Primary Category
Communication media

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Business
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
$100,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **5 Feb 2026 5pm AEDT**

Purpose

Screen Australia and Los Angeles-based television company, Dynamic Television, will co- fund development on scripted television projects with the aim of positioning them for greater international success as the projects prepare to go into production.

Overview

What funding is available?

- One project will be selected for this round. Applicants can apply with a total development budget of up to $100,000 (to which Screen Australia will contribute 50% and Dynamic Television the remaining 50%). Dynamic Television will have first look to attach as international distributor, under terms to be negotiated.
- Funding is for development costs. The development budget can include late-stage funding such as funding for writers' rooms, further drafts and script/scene breakdowns.
- Screen Australia will only fund Australian creatives and Australian costs of the development budget.
- Dynamic will work closely with the successful applicants, providing feedback on materials to ensure the projects are ready for the international market.

Limitations

Applications for this initiative are open to anyone who:

- meets all the requirements and conditions in our Terms of Trade
- is an Australian production company (Pty Ltd)
- has a one-hour per episode television drama project, that has at least a pilot script and a series outline. Projects must be unencumbered* by market attachments or development deals, with a minimum of one producer and one writer attached.
- **Unencumbered should be taken to mean the applicant maintains full creative and financial control of their project. No rights can have been assigned, no future development agreements, or production or broadcast agreements, can have been entered into. The project may have received previous development investment but the applicant must continue to hold all the rights as at the time of application to the Dynamic Television Scripted Initiative.*
- Crime, suspense, thriller, family, dramedies, and romance genres are all welcomed.
- Please note that each production company can only apply with one project per round.
- It is Screen Australia's expectation that applications for direct funding will demonstrate that the project is written and directed by Australian citizens or permanent residents.

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Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19715/info
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19715/apply
Email: dramaproduction@screenaustralia.gov.au **Phone:** 1800 507 901

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First Nations Sector Development Internships

Funding Provider
Screen Australia

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G09425

Primary Category
Communication media

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$20,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

This program is designed to assist the career development of talented filmmakers who can demonstrate a strong commitment to a career in the film industry.

Overview

Internships assist practitioners whose careers would benefit from an attachment to a person, production or organisation. This is not an entry-level scheme.

An internship may take many forms and involve features, documentaries, animation, interactive digital media, TV drama or comedy series. For example:

- a director might attach themselves to a more experienced director on a production
- a producer might spend time in a TV production house to observe the script development and creative management process, or they may wish to work with a more senior producer developing a financing plan for a project of their own
- an animation filmmaker may wish to enhance specific technical or creative skills
- a filmmaker may want to hire a more experienced producer or director as a consultant on their own funded production.

Up to $20,000 may be requested (other than in exceptional circumstances), supported by a budget.

Funding decisions will be made against the following criteria:

- the potential of the applicant and their commitment to a career in the film industry, as evidenced by previous work
- the quality of the mentor or mentor organisation and the level of access the applicant will have to them
- the quality of the proposed program the applicant and mentor have negotiated
- the strategic benefit of the program to the applicant at this stage of their career.

All of the above criteria are equally weighted.

Limitations

Who can apply?

The potential intern must:

- meet the general eligibility requirements of Screen Australia's Terms of Trade
- be an Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Australian
- only apply for the internship funding twice in their career.

No minimum credits are required, but previous work will be considered in assessing the applicant's commitment to screen storytelling as a career.

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Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G09425/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G09425/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G09425/apply
Email: FirstNations@screenaustralia.gov.au **Phone:** 1800 507 901

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Fiscal Sponsorship

Funding Provider
Documentary Australia Foundation

Location
Aus

Funding Type
In-kind Contribution U00539

Primary Category
Communication media

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Business
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Documentary Australia grants fiscal sponsorship to independent documentary filmmakers with a quality social impact project.

Overview

Fiscal sponsorship is a formal arrangement that Documentary Australia offer to projects that align with their social mission. The agreement allows approved projects to use their Deductible Gift Recipient status, for the purpose of fundraising grants and donations.

This allows you to seek philanthropic grants and solicit tax-deductible donations for your social impact project, documentary or campaign, with the oversight and endorsement of Documentary Australia.

Application submissions are reviewed four times each year. The upcoming application rounds are:

- Tuesday 27 January 2026 at 5pm
- Tuesday 28 April 2026 at 5pm
- Tuesday 4 August 2026 at 5pm
- Tuesday 27 October 2026 at 5pm

Limitations

Eligibility:

- Your project must be a non-fiction film, video or multimedia project. The term “project” is used broadly, and may refer to a one-time project or an ongoing series.
- The project director (or producer) must have an Australian Business Number.
- The project application should reflect your ability to develop a quality project and your ability to identify funding sources.
- Although your film may be on any social issue, the film must have a clear social impact goal and must not reflect values that unlawfully discriminate, according to the UN Declaration of Human Rights.
- Your project must be social issue driven and must not be produced solely for commercial gain.

Please note: there is an application fee of $150 (+GST) to cover administration costs.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00539/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00539/apply
Email: info@documentaryaustralia.com.au

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GoldenWeb website annual grant

Funding Provider
GoldenWeb

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19322

Primary Category
Communication media

Eligible to
Not-for-Profit

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **31 Dec 2025**

Purpose

Each year, GoldenWeb builds one WordPress website for free for a NFP or charity.

Overview

You:

- Must be a SMALL organisation, who otherwise would be struggling to fund your website project
- Must be based in Australia
- Must be 100% onboard with the project; willing to provide content and feedback in a timely manner
- Able to cover the cost of web hosting and domain registration, generally less than $300 for the year. GoldenWeb will organise these on your behalf if needed.

The project:

- The work will be treated exactly the same as a paid project - no cutting corners or half-effort. An example project ishttps://broadmeadowsmuseum.org.au
- SEO optimised if required
- Connections to Google Analytics, Search Console etc included
- Connections to donation platforms, newsletter signups, contact forms etc included

What's not included:

- Anything beyond a standard small site - so if you want 30 pages and a connection to your CRM's API, this grant is not for you
- Photography, videography - I can refer you to inexpensive professionals if needed
- Any work not included in the final Terms & Conditions / Scope of Work

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19322/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19322/apply

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Google Ad Grants

Funding Provider
Google

Location
Aus

Funding Type
In-kind Contribution G04898

Primary Category
Communication media

Eligible to
Not-for-Profit

Funding
$13,000 (approx)
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Google Ad Grants provides free Google Ads advertising – up to AU $13,000 per month – on Google search result pages to eligible not-for-profit organisations.

Overview

How Google Ad Grants works

Attract donors, raise awareness for your organisation, and recruit volunteers with in-kind advertising on Google Search.

Each qualifying nonprofit has access to up to AU$13,000 per month in search ads shown on Google.com.

Program basics

Please note that with Ad Grants accounts, there are limits on your Google Ads settings:

- A daily budget limit of $329 USD, which is equivalent to about AU $13,000 per month
- Only include keyword-targeted campaigns
- Only include text ads that appear on Google search result pages, in positions below the ads of paying advertisers.
- A maximum cost-per-click (CPC) limit of $2.00 USD for manual bidding. The Smart Bidding strategies Maximise Conversions, Target ROAS, and Target CPA can bid over $2.00 to help get more conversions if appropriate to your account goals. Note that other Smart Bidding strategies are capped at $2.00 USD CPC.
- There are a number of policies to adhere to. Check out Google's Account Compliance Guide for tips.

Register with Connecting up here.

To qualify for Google Ad Grants, your organisation must begin by applying to Google for Nonprofits.

Limitations

Eligibility:

Organisations that meet the following criteria are eligible to apply:

- All organizations must be verified as a nonprofit organization by Google for Nonprofit's validation partner Percent.
    - Learn more about getting verified by Percent.
- Organisations must be:
    - deductible gift recipients (DGRs) endorsed by the Australian Taxation Office (ATO) OR listed by name in the tax law;
    - charities registered with the Australian Charities and Nonprofits Commission (ACNC); OR
    - income tax exempt not-for-profit organisations as defined by the ATO.
- Organisations must be located in Australia or one of the following territories:
    - Christmas Island, Cocos (Keeling) Islands, or Norfolk Island.

You are not eligible for Google for Nonprofits if your organisation is:

- A governmental entity or organisation
- A hospital or health care organisation (charitable arms or foundations associated with healthcare organisations are eligible).
- A school, academic institution, or university (philanthropic arms of educational organisations are eligible).

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G04898/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G04898/guidelines

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Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G04898/apply

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IP in Motion Fund

Funding Provider
Screen NSW

Location
NSW

Funding Type
Rebate U00641

Primary Category
Communication media

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Business
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
$5,000

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The IP in Motion Fund will wholly or partly reimburse, up to $5,000, a screen and digital games producers' cost to option original intellectual property (IP) from NSW-based creators from Screen NSW Priority Areas.

Overview

The primary aim of the program is to encourage screen content for audiences that has originated in IP created by people who are included in the Screen NSW Priority Areas: First Nations people, people living in Western Sydney and regional NSW, people from Culturally and Linguistically Diverse (CaLD) backgrounds, people living with a disability, and LGBTQIA + people.

The objectives of the program are to:

- Improve sustainability of the NSW screen and digital games industries
- Improve sustainability of related NSW-based creative sectors, particularly literary fiction, non-fiction and short-form web-based and podcast content creation
- Promote collaboration between the NSW screen and digital games industries and NSW-based practitioners from other creative industries
- Provide opportunity for early and mid-career creatives from Screen NSW Priority Areas to enhance their careers by having their work reach a wider audience through screen adaptation
- Increase visibility within screen and digital games content of people from under-represented groups as set out in the Screen NSW Diversity Commitment
- Increase the level of participation of practitioners from under-represented groups as set out in the Screen NSW Diversity Commitment
- Support connections that will shape the future of the NSW creative community and strengthen its position in the global market.

Limitations

Eligible applications must be:

- For IP created and owned by a person(s) identifying, and confirmed by a statutory declaration by the applicant, as belonging to one of the under-represented groups listed in the Screen NSW Diversity Commitment, and;
- For IP in the form of a literary work, published article, podcast, or digital game (unpublished works are eligible if the work will be published within six (6) months of the Option being signed and an agreement can be provided) and;
- Have a fully executed option agreement in place between the applicant and the IP creator that has been executed no longer than three (3) months prior to the date of application that proves they have exclusively optioned pursuant to an appropriate option the copyright in the underlying work, with an initial option period of 18 months with 2 extensions of 12 months each.

The following projects are eligible formats:

- Narrative fiction including children's, feature films and series for any release platform including cinema, video on demand, broadcast television and online
- Documentary and factual including children's, feature films and series (as defined by ACMA) for any release platform including cinema, video on demand, broadcast television and online

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- Extended Reality for narrative driven audience interaction and engagement across online, mobile applications, public screens and interactive displays
- Digital Games.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00641/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00641/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00641/apply
Email: investment@screen.nsw.gov.au

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International Finance Attraction

Funding Provider
Screen Australia

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G10130

Primary Category
Communication media

Eligible to
- Individual
- Business

Funding
Amount: $5,000 to $20,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The International Finance fund provides support to Australian projects with a very high level of global appeal, to assist them to develop pitching materials and strategy, in order to best attract international partnerships and finance in the current market.

Overview

It is open to long form drama and documentary projects on any platform which are market ready, have undergone a successful development process and can demonstrate development funding from an arm's length commercial partner.

What funding is available?

Funding of $5,000 - $20,000 will be granted to successful applicants and can cover items that will elevate the pitch and/or pitching strategy. These might include:

- creation of marketing and pitching materials
- reasonable travel costs for 1-3 people - being those in the best position on the creative team to creatively pitch and/or follow up and broker deals
- if required, work-shopping of the pitch from appropriate and experienced industry mentors or consultants
- if required, assistance from appropriate and experienced industry mentors or consultants, to help with strategic planning. (e.g. suggested key meeting targets and best way to approach, or advice around financing and deals, and other current market trends).

The types of items you apply for will depend of the level of experience of the team and nature of project.

The amount of funding you apply for should be relative to the size of the investment potential and the likelihood of attracting partners. For commercial projects of scale with a strong likelihood to attract significant finance and large marketplace partners, it would be at the higher end. For projects of smaller scale it would be at a lower end.

Limitations

This program is open to companies and individuals (either alone or as part of a team as co-applicants).

To be eligible, an applicant company must:

- be an incorporated company carrying on business in Australia, with its central management and control in Australia;
- have an Australian Business Number (ABN); and
- be registered for the purposes of GST if required by law.

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To be eligible, an individual applicant (or each individual co-applicant) must:

- be an Australian citizen or Australian permanent resident (holding a permanent visa); and
- have an Australian Business Number (ABN).

Note: Co-productions may also apply with an application from the Australian Company.

In addition, applicants must:

- have a market-ready, long-form project on any platform that:
    - has undergone significant creative development and has the key creative team attached; and
    - is uniquely and culturally identifiable as Australian and is also bold, ambitious and has universal appeal.
- control the rights and have meaningful creative control of the project.
- be able to evidence a successful development process and funding from an arm's length commercial partner (i.e., a substantial and well-known international or Australian commercial entity with an effective track record on similar projects, for example, a commissioning platform, broadcaster, local or international distributor, studio or production company of substance) and/or Screen Australia where their development funding will have been fully acquitted as a pre-condition of eligibility.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G10130/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G10130/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G10130/apply
Email: industry@screenaustralia.gov.au **Phone:** 1800 507 901

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Journalism Assistance Fund

Funding Provider
Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communications, Sport and the Arts

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19634

Primary Category
Communication media

Eligible to
Business

Funding
Amount: $39,000 to $7,500,000

Rounds
Closes **30 Apr 2026 5:00pm AEST**

Purpose

The Journalism Assistance Fund is helping the sustainability of Australian news publishers by providing a proportion of the wages for journalists producing core news content that is distributed digitally.

Overview

The Journalism Assistance Fund Program, running over 3 years from 2025-26, was announced as part of the News Media Assistance Program (News MAP). News MAP aims to support public interest journalism and media diversity in Australia - recognising these are critical to a healthy democracy, social cohesion and informed citizens.

Organisations producing core news content will be eligible for funding. The funding will provide a proportion of the wages for journalists producing core news content that is distributed digitally. The program aims to:

- support the sustainability of Australian news publishers in the face of significant disruption to the media sector
- support the creation of digitally distributed news content
- encourage continued employment of journalists who primarily produce news that is in the Australian public interest
- build and maintain social cohesion in Australia.

Limitations

You can apply if you:

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- have an Australian business number (ABN)
- are registered for the Goods and Services Tax (GST)
- have an account with an Australian financial institution
- are an entity that produces and publishes core news content that is distributed digitally

and be one of the following entities:

- an entity, incorporated in Australia
- a company
- an incorporated trustee on behalf of a trust
- an incorporated association
- a co-operative
- a partnership
- an incorporated not for profit organisation or registered charity
- a sole trader.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19634/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19634/guidelines
Email: enquiries@industry.gov.au

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Market and Travel Fund - Games

Funding Provider
Screen Queensland

Location
QLD

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19436

Primary Category
Communication media

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$7,500 (approx)
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Screen Queensland's Games Market and Travel Fund is for Queensland-based individuals or teams travelling to games industry markets, conventions and conferences to attract support and finance for their project.

Overview

Funding through this program supports flights, accommodation, ground travel and event registration for games developers looking to take at least one project to markets either nationally or internationally.

Please note that Screen Queensland will no longer be offering Games Market and Travel funding for professional development opportunities.

The Market and Travel Fund is a rolling fund and applications must be submitted at least six week prior to the departure date.

Applicants can apply for grants of up to:

- $5,000 for an individual and $7,500 for a team for markets outside the Asia Pacific region
- $3,500 for an individual and $5,000 for a team for markets within the Asia Pacific region
- $1,000 for an individual and $1,500 for a team for Australian markets.

Limitations

Eligibility:

There are two ways to apply for market and travel support:

- Apply to attend any eligible event of your choosing, submitting an application six weeks prior to the travel date
- Apply for specific opportunities promoted by Screen Queensland.

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Eligible applicants for Market and Travel grants are:

- game developers who are Australian citizens or permanent residents living in Queensland, either travelling as an individual or a team
- attending a market or prestigious event
- the demonstrated owner of the rights to all projects listed as part of the application.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19436/info

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19436/apply
Email: games@screenqld.com.au **Phone:** (07) 3248 0500

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Market and Travel Fund - Market

Funding Provider
Screen Queensland

Location
QLD

Funding Type
Cash Grant G15226

Primary Category
Communication media

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Business

Funding
$7,500 (approx)
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Market stream of the Market and Travel fund is for Queensland-based individuals or teams travelling to screen industry markets, conventions and conferences to attract support and finance for their projects.

Overview

Funding through this program supports flights, accommodation, ground travel and event registration.

Market support typically benefits producers and game developers looking to take a slate of 3+ projects to markets either nationally or internationally.

There are two ways to apply for Market support:

- Apply to attend any eligible event of your choosing, submitting an application four weeks prior to the travel date
- Apply for specific opportunities listed below under the heading *Market and Travel Initiatives*

Queensland screen practitioners or teams can apply for $1,000-$1,500 for Australian Markets, $3,500-$5,000 for overseas markets in the Asia Pacific region, and $5,000-$7,500 for international markets beyond the Asia Pacific.

Limitations

Eligible applicants for Travel & Market funding are:

- Practitioners and game developers who are Australian citizens or permanent residents living in Queensland, either travelling as an individual or a team.
- Attending a market or prestigious event.
- If representing a broadcast or theatrical project – taking a slate of at least three projects if travelling internationally, or at least one project if travelling domestically. In special circumstances, applicants may make a case for taking only one project internationally.
- If representing a games project – taking at least one project.
- The demonstrated owner of the rights to all projects listed as part of the application.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G15226/info

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NSW Digital Games Rebate

Funding Provider
Screen NSW

Location
NSW

Funding Type
Rebate U00194

Primary Category
Communication media

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Business
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
$35,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The NSW Government is offering a 10 percent rebate for eligible digital games.

Overview

Games must have a Qualifying NSW Expenditure of at least $350,000 to be eligible. This initiative complements the Australian Government's Digital Games Offset.

The objectives of the program are to:

- Accelerate the growth of the NSW digital games sector
- Enable NSW games companies to be internationally competitive, attract investment and grow employment
- Encourage international or interstate developers to locate studios or work in NSW
- Promote investment in skills development and infrastructure
- Attract and retain talent in NSW.

Applicants are required to complete an application form and submit requested information, which will include the games development budget for NSW, quotes from NSW suppliers and evidence the project is fully financed or can be financed using projected future revenue streams.

You should apply when the game is production-ready, with confirmed budget, schedule and funding arrangement (e.g. agreement with publisher) or realistic projections of future revenue that ensure the game can be developed to completion.

Limitations

Eligibility

To be eligible for the Rebate the applicant must:

- Have an Australian Business Number (ABN), and
- Be the company that is either carrying out or is responsible for making the arrangements for the carrying out all the activities in NSW that are related to the production of the game.

The applicant may be:

- A fully or partly NSW based digital game development company, or
- An international or interstate developer engaging a fully or partly NSW based game developer.

Only one company can apply for the Rebate for a particular game. If more than one NSW developer is working on the project, the company commissioning the work will generally make the application.

Other government departments and agencies are not eligible to apply.

The applicant must not be in breach of any obligation under any funding agreement it has with the NSW Government including under this Rebate program.

Eligible projects

Eligible games for the Rebate include:

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- Games for entertainment and serious games
- Games for any platform including console, desktop, tablet, mobile, VR/AR
- Multi-player and single-player games.

Games must generally be intended for public release.

A major update of an existing game is eligible if it meets the $350,000 threshold.

An applicant must submit an application with Screen NSW prior to the commencement of any eligible work for which the Rebate is sought. If production has already commenced on the project, only work carried out on or after the date of application will be eligible for the Rebate.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00194/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00194/guidelines

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00194/apply
Contact: Anna Cho
Email: anna.cho@screen.nsw.gov.au

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Narrative Content Production Funding

Funding Provider
Screen Australia

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G17968

Primary Category
Communication media

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Business

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **19 Feb 2026**

Last Round
Closed **30 Oct 2025**

Purpose

The Narrative Content Production Program supports content makers to produce narrative projects for online/direct-to-audience, television and theatrical feature film platforms.

Overview

The aims of the Narrative Content Production Program are to support:

- exceptional Australian narrative content for production and release for online/direct-to-audience, television and feature film platforms;
- distinctive storytelling for a range of audiences across different platforms and budget levels;
- talent at different career stages who are connected to the stories they tell and that reflect the breadth of Australia in service of cultural, creative and economic benefits; and
- stories with viable budgets and pathways to audiences locally and/or globally.

The Narrative Content Production Program replaces the Screen Australia Feature Film Production, General Television Drama Production, Children's Television Drama Production and Online Production programs and guidelines.

This program will have four application rounds per financial year.

The amount of funding provided will depend on the scale of the project, the first and primary platform, the production budget and the amount of additional finance required or secured from other sources. Screen Australia may decide to provide a different amount of funding than that applied for based on the assessment of all projects submitted to each funding round.

Limitations

This program is open to companies and in certain circumstances, individuals*. To be eligible, an applicant must:

- be an incorporated company carrying on business in Australia, with its central management and control in Australia;

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- have an Australian Business Number (ABN);
- be registered for the purposes of GST if required by law;
- control the rights necessary to carry out the project, meaning that it must have clear chain of title and must generally be party to any underlying rights agreements;
- demonstrate, with the exception of anticipated Official Co-Productions, that the project is written and directed by Australian citizens or permanent residents and that any non-Australian producers do not prevent the project from meeting the requirements of Screen Australia's Terms of Trade and other eligibility requirements;
- if applicable, be independent of the nominated local Commissioning Platform for the first release of a program in Australia; and,
- demonstrate and/or have relevant experience through comparable work that shows the capability to produce work for the platform for which they are applying.
- For the avoidance of doubt, Screen Australia will not finance programs where the producer is not independent of the nominated local Commissioning Platform for the first release of a program in Australia.

***Note** that for projects applying for funding at $300,000 or below with Direct-to-Audience as the first and primary release window, Screen Australia will accept applications from individuals (sole traders) that are Australian citizens or permanent residents (holding a permanent visa). However, if successful, the applicant will need to incorporate a company to make the project before contracting with Screen Australia. All other eligibility criteria listed above continue to apply for these projects.

The following types of entities are not eligible to apply to this program:

- Commonwealth, state, territory or local government agencies or bodies; and
- any organisations that are otherwise excluded pursuant to the Information for Applicants.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G17968/info

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G17968/apply
Email: production.narrativecontent@screenaustralia.gov.au **Phone:** 1800 507 901

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Post, Digital, VFX (PDV) Incentive

Funding Provider
Screen Queensland

Location
QLD

Funding Type
Subsidised Goods And Services U00158

Primary Category
Communication media

Eligible to
- Individual
- Business

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Post, Digital and Visual Effects (PDV) Incentive attracts footloose and fully financed screen projects to utilise PDV facilities and practitioners in Queensland.

Overview

The objectives of the incentive are to:

- increase the level of PDV work in the State of Queensland;
- increase skills development and employment opportunities for Queenslanders working in the PDV sector; and
- increase business activity for Queensland based PDV companies.

Applicants with projects that are eligible for the PDV may also be eligible for funding through other Screen Queensland programs. For projects undertaking physical production in Queensland see both our Screen Finance Program guidelines and Production Attraction Incentive guidelines.

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The incentive is generally calculated at fifteen percent (15%) of the qualifying Queensland PDV expenditure. The incentive amount will be at the discretion of Screen Queensland and is subject to the availability of funding at the time of application.

Limitations

This incentive program is open to all Australian and international producers, production companies and studios with screen projects that:

- are spending a **minimum of AU$250,000** in qualifying PDV Queensland Production Expenditure (PDV QPE), with all resulting PDV QPE incurred and retained in Queensland;
- are footloose (i.e. evidence of genuine interstate or international PDV destination alternatives);
- are fully financed;
- have evidence of genuine marketplace commitment for commercial release or distribution; and,
- have **not** commenced PDV work in Queensland prior to the date of application.

The following formats are **eligible** to receive a PDV Incentive:

- fiction feature film or series
- documentary feature film or series
- factual entertainment series (including reality).

Approved distribution for eligible formats includes theatrical and broadcast (i.e. television and streaming)

Please read the incentive guidelines for the full eligibility requirements.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00158/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00158/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00158/apply
Email: nwenck@screenqld.com.au **Phone:** 07 3248 0500

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Production Attraction Incentive

Funding Provider
Screen Queensland

Location
QLD

Funding Type
Cash Grant G15130

Primary Category
Communication media

Eligible to
- Individual
- Business

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Production Attraction Incentive aims to attract footloose screen projects to undertake the production of the project in Queensland. Projects are considered footloose where they have a genuine production destination alternatives.

Overview

The Production Attraction Incentive aims to attract footloose and fully finance screen projects to undertake production in Queensland.

The objectives of the incentive are to:

- increase the level of screen production in the State of Queensland;
- increase skills development and employment opportunities for Queenslanders working in the screen sector; and
- increase business activity for Queensland based companies.

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The incentive amount will be at the discretion of the Screen Queensland Board and is subject to the availability of funding at the time of application. The incentive is calculated as a percentage of the qualifying QPE. A full definition of qualifying QPE is available here.

Limitations

This incentive program is open to all Australian and international producers, production companies and studios with screen projects that:

- are spending a minimum of AU$3.5 million on qualifying Queensland Production Expenditure (QPE) in Queensland with all resulting QPE incurred and retained in Queensland;
- are footloose (i.e, genuine interstate or international production destination alternatives);
- are fully financed;
- have evidence of genuine marketplace interest for commercial release or distribution;
- have not commenced production in Queensland prior to the date of approval; and
- are engaging a majority of screen industry practitioners who are **Bona Fide Queensland** residents.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G15130/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G15130/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G15130/apply
Email: nwenck@screenqld.com.au **Phone:** 07 3248 0500

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Production Finance

Funding Providers
Create NSW
Screen NSW

Location
NSW

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19815

Primary Category
Communication media

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Business

Funding
$850,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **2 Feb 2026**

Purpose

The Production Finance program provides funding for projects produced or post-produced in NSW. Funding allocations are guided by ratios linking the Screen NSW contribution to the amount spent in the State.

Overview

The objectives of the Program are to fund exceptional quality, diverse and engaging fiction and non-fiction screen content that will:

- Generate employment and economic activity for NSW
- Make a contribution to Australian culture and storytelling, nationally and internationally
- Grow the number and size of NSW production companies and provide increased opportunities for NSW key creatives
- Meet the objectives of Screen NSW's diversity commitment.

Individual funding is determined on a case-by-case basis based on the Qualifying NSW Production Expenditure (QNSWPE).

Projects must have a production budget of less than $20,000,000.

Applicants should discuss their funding requests with a Screen NSW Investment Manager prior to submitting an application.

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Limitations

The applicant must fulfil one of the following:

- Be an Australian company based in NSW and actively operating in NSW for at least six months prior to the funding application, meeting at least a minimum level of NSW spend of 50% of total production costs; or
- Be an Australian company not based in NSW in a genuine co-production arrangement with a NSW production company and/or the project is created by a NSW creative or is substantially driven by NSW key creatives; or
- Be a non-NSW based Australian Company, meeting at least a minimum level of NSW spend of 80% of total production costs. Please note, if you are a non-NSW based company, strong consideration will be given to the level of spend in NSW (and must at least meet the minimum expenditure threshold of 80%) and number of NSW key creatives. Where rounds are competitive, preference will usually be given to NSW applicants. Please speak to an Investment Manager before applying.

The 50/80% requirement above will not apply, if any of the following circumstances are met:

- Where the eligible NSW Spend is at least $5 million
- Where the below-the-line eligible NSW post-production spend is at least $3 million
- Where a producer intends to conduct 100% of the project's post-production in NSW with NSW-based post-production personnel. (Please see definition of 100% Post Production requirements and Allowable Post Exclusions in the Screen NSW Glossary to confirm your eligibility).

The applicant must also fulfil all of the following:

- Have a production budget of less than $20,000,000
- Have at least one NSW based Key Creative
- Be compliant with our Terms of Trade
- Maintain ownership or control of the rights necessary (or have shared ownership and/or joint control of copyright under a co-production arrangement) to carry out the project that is the subject of the application (including having ownership or control of any relevant copyright and appropriate clearances from all significant participants).

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19815/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19815/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19815/apply
Email: screeninvestment@create.nsw.gov.au

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Quick Response grants

Funding Provider
Community Broadcasting Foundation Ltd

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G06062

Primary Category
Communication media

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Quick Response grants are available to support community media organisations experiencing emergencies that risk discontinued transmission or operations, or who have been provided with a time-limited opportunity.

Overview

Quick Response grants are available to support community media organisations experiencing emergencies that risk discontinued transmission or operations, or who have been provided with a time-limited opportunity. To apply for this

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grant, you will need to provide evidence that this situation could not have been reasonably anticipated prior to the most recent CBF grant round, cannot wait until the next round and cannot be covered by your organisations reserves.

This could include for the following:

Emergencies

- Replacing essential equipment and related expenses to restore basic transmission following an unforeseen event such as flood, bushfire, lightning, theft or drought
- Replacing essential operational equipment and related expenses not able to be reasonably anticipated
- Unexpected changes at your studio or transmission site such as a sudden need to relocate
- A financial loan while an insurance claim is being processed and/or funds are raised

Opportunities

- A matched funding opportunity for a project
- Other costs associated with a time-limited opportunity

Grants will be considered outside the normal grant rounds you will normally receive advice about the outcome of your application within one week.

If you believe your project meets the Quick Response grant eligibility and funding conditions, the next step is to discuss your project with a CBF Grants Support Team member that looks after your area. If eligible, you will be provided with a link to the online grant application.

Limitations

Eligibility

To be considered eligible for a Quick Response grant, you will need to answer **yes** to the following questions:

- Has this emergency/opportunity arisen unexpectedly? That is, that it could not have been reasonably anticipated during a previous funding round and cannot wait for the next funding round.
- Can you provide evidence of the emergency/opportunity in your application? Such as:
    - Photos of equipment needing replacing
    - Documentation from ACMA, local council, landlord, owners corporation, utility company, real estate agency
    - Insurance documentation
    - Evidence of support from funding partners
    - Hyperlinks or screenshots of the unique equipment sale
    - Financial statements demonstrating costs cannot be met from organisation reserves
- Can you provide the following information required within the grant application?
    - Your latest Annual Report with financial statements, even if you have supplied this information to the CBF previously
    - Technical data/information from a qualified person detailing the nature of the issue(s) and how to remedy it
    - A competitive quote for any equipment purchases over $2,000
    - A clear and detailed project budget
    - Contact information for your organisation and a key individual involved in the proposal
    - Evidence or statement that the costs cannot be covered by insurance

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G06062/info
Website: https://cbf.org.au/about/our-people/grants-support-team **Email:** grants@cbf.com.au

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Regional Screen Fund

Funding Providers
Department of Creative Industries, Tourism and Sport (WA)
ScreenWest

Location
WA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G11126

Primary Category
Communication media

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Business

Funding
$2,000,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The WA Regional Screen Fund was established for the purpose of generating regional outcomes through developing and supporting regionally based businesses, services, and talent.

Overview

This coordinated and targeted fund focuses on Western Australian regional screen industry activities, particularly:

- Purchasing goods and services
- Capitalising on tourism development opportunities
- Building capability
- Facilitating job creation
- Assisting with longer term economic and cultural benefits
- Building the capacity of the WA production and post-production sectors

In order to achieve regional outcomes, the WA Regional Screen Fund supports screen projects, inclusive of the production of audio-visual content of any format. During the course of the application process, a Regional Outputs and Outcomes agreement (ROO) will need to be developed between the applicant Producer and the relevant Western Australian Regional Development Commission on the expected regional outcomes that the project will likely deliver.

Special consideration will be given to projects that deliver:

- High profile Western Australian stories.
- High value returnable series that can confirm an extended production period in a regional area.
- National and international productions with a strong likelihood of reaching a large global audience.

Up to a maximum of $2,000,000. Production funding will be provided as a grant.

Please note: The total maximum funding cap applies across both WA Regional Screen Fund and Screenwest production funding. The WA PDV is not considered part of this funding cap.

Limitations

To be considered eligible for this program, the applicant must:

- Be a Western Australian resident (as defined in the Screenwest Terms of Trade).
    - Non-Western Australian Producers are eligible to apply where the project can demonstrate:
        - it is likely to bring strong economic and/or cultural opportunities to the State, or
        - it will benefit the Western Australian screen industry or Screenwest's position.
- Meet the applicable eligibility requirements of the Screenwest Terms of Trade.
- Have an extensive professional track record that demonstrates his/her/its ability to successfully produce and deliver a project of the scope and scale proposed and/or the attachment of other individuals in positions of responsibility that demonstrate likewise.
- Provide evidence to support the project's likely potential to reach significant audiences, in the form of superior market commitment, well known source material and/or original works from successful writers, highly regarded and well-known onscreen talent and directing attachments.
- Be the same across all funding applications if applying or planning to apply for any other Screenwest production funds (as well as the WA Regional Screen Fund).

The project must:

- Meet the minimum qualifying spend in the Western Australia Region/s (QWARE1), being:

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- $500,000 for feature films; scripted series, miniseries, telemovie, or children's series
- $100,000 for all documentary productions.

Please note while Screenwest requires a contingency to be allocated for QWARE, the funding amount requested from Screenwest must exclude this required contingency amount.

- Meet the minimum Qualifying Western Australia Expenditure (QWAE) of $1,000,000
- Meet a minimum ratio of eligible contributions as follows:
  - 2:1 - Qualifying Western Australian Regional Expenditure (QWARE) to total WA Regional Screen funding
  - 3:1 - Qualifying Western Australia Expenditure (QWAE) to total combined WA Regional Screen Funding and Screenwest funding.

It is the applicant's responsibility to notify Screenwest immediately if any of the anticipated or actual spend ratios change or are likely to change at any time during the assessment period, or if successful, during the production period.

Detailed information on what qualifies as Regional Expenditure (QWARE) and all of Western Australian Expenditure (QWAE) is available on the Incentives page of the Screenwest website.

Multiple projects cannot be packaged together to achieve the minimum qualifying spend threshold; however, one season of a TV series will be considered a single project.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G11126/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G11126/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G11126/apply
Contact: Tenille Kennedy
Email: tenille.kennedy@screenwest.com.au **Phone:** 08 6169 2107

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Revolving Film Finance Fund

Funding Provider
Screen Queensland

Location
QLD

Funding Type
Cash Grant G10568

Primary Category
Communication media

Eligible to
Business

Funding
$7,000,000
Total Pool: $30,000,000

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Revolving Film Finance Fund (RFFF) is a lending facility established to cashflow Queensland screen productions and infrastructure projects by way of lending funds secured against Producer Offset, bank guarantees, letters of credit, distribution guarantees, pre-sales or other secure financial instruments.

Overview

The general purpose of the RFFF is to:

- increase the amount of Australian, and particularly Queensland-created, screen production in Queensland
- establish and maintain a commercially viable screen industry in Queensland
- establish sufficient production and post-production infrastructure to maintain a commercially viable screen industry in Queensland
- maximise employment opportunities and the continuity of employment in the screen industry in Queensland.
- The RFFF may only be used for full-recourse loan funding or equivalent arrangements (i.e. the Applicant must repay the whole of the principal, interest and costs associated with the loan, regardless of the outcome of the project).

How much can I apply for?

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The maximum amount of funding per Applicant for any single project is $7 million or 50% of the production budget, whichever is the lesser. Only 90% of total estimated Producer Offset will be loaned, and the estimated QAPE must be covered by a Completion Guarantee, from a reputable Completion bond entity. An Applicant may apply for funding of a number of different projects. However, the maximum amount of funding which may be outstanding to any Applicant with respect to a number of projects is $7 million. Upon the repayment of a loan, the Applicant may borrow additional funds up to this limit subject to fund capacity.

Limitations

To be eligible to apply for loan funds under the RFFF:

- The applicant must be a company incorporated in Australia, with the sole purpose of producing the project;
- The company will need an ABN, have no outstanding tax obligations and a clean credit history;
- The Queensland Production Expenditure (QPE) must be not less than 50% of its total budget. Exceptions to this requirement may be made in the case of official international co--#productions;
- Where possible, the production will engage bona fide Queensland residents for the production of the project in all key creative positions and all areas of production;
- The production must have substantial finance in place and, for Producer Offset loans, must have a Provisional Certificate from Screen Australia for the project; and
- The applicant must be the copyright holder or have a clear chain of title in any and all works on which the project is based.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G10568/info
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G10568/apply
Email: content@screeenqld.com.au **Phone:** (07) 3248 0500

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Screen Finance Program

Funding Provider
Screen Queensland

Location
QLD

Funding Type
Cash Grant G09630

Primary Category
Communication media

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Business

Funding
$850,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Focus on supporting Queensland producers and/or key creatives, our Screen Finance Fund is for screen stories seeking finance so they may head into production.

Overview

This is a rolling fund, applications can be made at anytime.

The fund provides finance towards the production of feature films, television series and documentaries, offered as a percentage of the productions estimated Queensland Production Expenditure (QPE). Funding will be provided as a base percentage of QPE, with additional funding available up to a fixed cap. The base and cap percentages are determined by residency (Queensland or interstate) among other criteria, as outlined in the guidelines.

Screen Finance applications for under $250,000 can be submitted at any time and successful applications are financed as non-recoupable grants.

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Limitations

Projects that meet eligibility requirements are not guaranteed funding and will undergo a rigorous assessment process against Screen Queenslands strategic priorities and program guidelines. All requests for funding, regardless of eligibility, are subject to limited program budgets within a highly competitive funding environment.

Applicants are eligible for Screen Finance funding if:

- they arethe rights-holding producer (with a solicitors chain of title opinion required before first drawdown)
- they are an Australian resident
- the project has a Queensland-resident producer or line producer attached
- the project has not been previously unsuccessful in applications for Screen Finance funding twice
- they have read and complied with Screen Queenslands Terms of Trade
- the team of key creatives authentically represent the story and characters in your application
    - If your story includes content or characters from an under-represented background, e.g. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people; culturally and linguistically diverse people; people with a disability; female; LGBTQIA+ people, then appropriate representation of that diversity must be ensured throughout the production.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G09630/info
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G09630/apply
Email: content@screenqld.com.au **Phone:** 07 3248 0500

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Screen Production Fund

Funding Provider
South Australian Film Corporation (SAFC)

Location
SA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G08062

Primary Category
Communication media

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Business

Funding
$250,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Screen Production Fund supports the production of outstanding scripted and unscripted content for any screen that generates significant economic outcomes for the South Australian screen industry.

Overview

Projects funded under this scheme are expected to be substantially produced and post-produced in South Australia.

The SAFC will prioritise projects that include:

- the commercialisation of South Australian owned Intellectual Property (IP)
- increased investment into South Australian businesses
- increased exports of South Australian owned IP
- the employment of South Australian key creatives, department Heads, cast and crew
- South Australian screen businesses including screen service and post-production companies

The Screen Production Fund supports the production of film, television, online and virtual reality (VR) projects. Projects must be for commercial release via theatrical, broadcast, or major digital content platform. Producers may receive up to 10% of Qualifying South Australian Expenditure. Approval is subject to available funds. SAFC investment is in the form of a non-recoupable grant. The SAFC considers this grant as 'assigned equity' to the SA producer.

Applications for the Screen Production Fund are open all year round and are considered by the SAFC Board.

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Limitations

The applicant must:

- read the SAFC Terms of Trade
- be able to prove that they own or control the necessary rights to produce the project; and
- have a confirmed marketplace agreement from a recognised distributor or exhibition platform.

The SAFC prioritises applications from South Australian resident producers or South Australian production companies.

Non-SA production companies must partner with a South Australian producer or co-producer. The partnership must be a genuine co-production arrangement.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G08062/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G08062/guidelines

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G08062/apply
Email: programs@safilm.com.au **Phone:** 8463 7373

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Scripted Production Fund

Funding Provider
ScreenWest

Location
WA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19766

Primary Category
Communication media

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Business

Funding
$700,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **2 Feb 2026 5pm AWST**

Purpose

This fund provides grant finance to Western Australian Producers for feature films, telemovies and scripted series which will be made in Western Australia.

Overview

Projects must have bonafide marketplace attachments from traditional and/or new distribution platforms with significant audience share. Screenwest encourages applications from First Nations Australians and people from historically underrepresented groups.

Please note: Funding is calculated by combining Base Funding plus Funding Incentives:

- Base Funding is calculated at 10% of the Qualifying Western Australian Expenditure (QWAE) of a project, capped at $500,000.
- Funding Incentives are calculated via the Funding Incentives Table on Page 4 of the guidelines, capped at $200,000.

Funding available up to $700,000 per project.

Limitations

The applicant/company must:

- Be a Western Australian Resident Producer or Western Australian Resident Company as defined in the Screenwest Terms of Trade.
- Meet the general eligibility requirements of the Screenwest Terms of Trade.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19766/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19766/guidelines

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Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19766/apply
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Specialist Radio Programming Grants - Round 1

Funding Provider
Community Broadcasting Foundation Ltd

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19181

Primary Category
Communication media

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Opens **12 Jan 2026**

Purpose

This funding support is designed to encourage stations to carry specialist radio programming and assists with the maintenance and development of specialist programming content in community broadcasting to meet the needs of particular communities.

Overview

Stations producing content that meets the needs of particular communities may be eligible for dedicated Specialist Radio Programming Content grants.

Funding is available for Specialist Radio programming for:

- First Nations Australians program
- Ethnic programs
- Radio Reading (formerly RPH) programs to serve people with a print disability

The objectives of the Specialist Radio Programming grants are to support community media organisations to:

- Increase the diversity of voices and languages in community media
- Increase community participation in community media
- Engage with, connect to and reflect their community
- Ensure diverse communities have access to information, cultural and local content that enriches their communities.

Limitations

Eligible organisations include:

- a community radio station
- a Remote Indigenous Media Organisation or Remote Indigenous Broadcasting Service
- incorporated not-for-pro#t organisations auspicing applications for program groups broadcast on a community radio station

The following organisations or individuals are NOT eligible to apply:

- applicants seeking support for TV content. You should apply for programming support using the Content Grants form
- RPH licensed stations. RPH stations may apply for funding support through Content grants and Development & Operations grants
- a community radio station broadcasting radio reading programs within the broadcast 'footprint' of an existing radio reading (RPH) service, unless that service does not broadcast any local content

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19181/info
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State Payroll Tax Rebate

Funding Provider
Screen Queensland

Location
QLD

Funding Type
Rebate U00121

Primary Category
Communication media

Eligible to
- Individual
- Business

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Payroll Tax Rebate is a rebate open to eligible businesses on Payroll Tax paid in Queensland, administered by Screen Queensland on behalf of the State Government's Office of State Revenue (OSR).

Overview

This is an uncapped rebate, which enables eligible projects to receive a rebate from the QRO on the payroll tax paid in Queensland. Applications for the State Payroll Tax Rebate are accepted year-round.

Prior to submitting any application, applicants should ensure they have discussed their application with a Screen Queensland team member, are eligible applicants with a project that is an eligible format, have all required documents and address all criteria in the application form.

Limitations

To be eligible for the state payroll tax rebate, the following criteria must be met:

- The project must have spent a minimum of AU$3.5 million on qualifying Queensland Production Expenditure (QPE) (unless Bundling Projects) in Queensland with all resulting QPE incurred and retained in Queensland.
- The applicant must submit the application to Screen Queensland within 12 months of completion of production in Queensland.
- The applicant company must be the entity responsible for the project and the business that registered for and paid the payroll tax on the project (with the exception of a production services representative applying on behalf of the responsible entity).
- The project must be in an eligible format.

Where an eligible applicant may not have a single project that meets the minimum QPE requirement of AU$3.5 million, the option to bundle projects is available. Where projects are bundled the following conditions apply:

- A claim application must include all projects intending to be bundled.
- The minimum QPE threshold for the bundle is AU$5 million within a 4-year period.
- Once a project has been bundled, it may not be bundled with any other project(s) for the purposes of the State Payroll Tax Rebate.

The following formats are eligible to receive a State Payroll Tax Rebate:

- fiction feature film or series (including mini-series)
- factual entertainment series (including reality)
- documentary feature film or series.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00121/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00121/guidelines

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00121/apply
Email: incentives@screenqld.com.au

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Story Development Funding - Seed Funding

Funding Providers
Screen Territory
Department of Industry, Tourism and Trade (NT)
Arts NT

Location
NT

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19273

Primary Category
Communication media

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Business

Funding
$5,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Opens **9 Feb 2026** Closes **16 Mar 2026**

Last Round
Closed **15 Dec 2025**

Purpose

Story development programs aim to help screen practitioners demonstrate their talent and build their capacity by supporting the development of distinctive Territory screen stories that are capable of reaching and engaging audiences.

Overview

You can apply for up to $5,000 per applicant.

Examples of formats that may be funded:

- feature films
- adult and children's drama and narrative comedy including television series, miniseries, telemovies and web series
- content-rich factual / documentary television or web programs.

Limitations

You can apply if:

- you meet Screen Territory's general eligibility criteria
- you are a Northern Territory resident or company
- you are an experienced or emerging practitioner. Emerging practitioners will need to submit additional materials in order to demonstrate their capabilities. Screen Territory may require the attachment of a mentor or story consultant where appropriate.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19273/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19273/apply
Email: screen.territory@nt.gov.au **Phone:** 08 8999 6302

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Sydney Film Festival Competition

Funding Provider
Sydney Film Festival

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Award G19327

Primary Category
Communication media

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Business
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
Amount: $7,000 to $60,000

Rounds
Closes **27 Feb 2026**

Purpose

The aim of the festival is to develop and deliver a sustainable world class film festival, which engages all stakeholders and achieves critical acclaim by presenting a unique program that inspires, challenges, and entertains an increasingly broad and diverse audience.

Overview

The festival presents awards as follows:

- Official Competition ($60,000 cash prize) for 'cutting-edge, audacious and innovative' feature films;
- Documentary Australia Award ($20,000, Academy Award qualifying);
- Sustainable Future Award ($40,000);
- Dendy Awards for Australian Short Films for Best Australian Fiction ($7,000, Academy Award qualifying),
- Rouben Mamoulian Award for Best Australian Director ($7,000),
- AFTRS Craft Award for Best Practitioner ($7,000),
- Yoram Gross Animation Award for Best Australian Animation ($7,000, Academy Award qualifying),
- The Event Cinemas Rising Talent Award for Screenwriting ($7,000) and
- the Sydney Film Festival First Nations Award ($35,000).

Submission fees apply:

- Australian Features - Fiction (over 40 minutes): $80.00
- Documentary Australia Award for Australian Documentary (any length): $45.00
- Dendy Award for Best Live Action Short (under 40 minutes): $40.00
- Yoram Gross Animation Award (under 40 minutes): $40.00
- Sustainable Future Award (any length): $45.00
- International Features (over 40 minutes): $95.00
- FLUX: Art + Film International Shorts (under 15 minutes): $55.00
- Freak Me Out International Shorts (under 15 minutes): $55.00
- Sydney Film Festival First Nations Award: no fee applicable
- Screenability program: no fee applicable

All fees are in Australian dollars and include appropriate taxes.

Please note: Submission fees cannot be waived.

Limitations

Award category eligibility can be found on the FAQs.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19327/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19327/guidelines
Email: info@sff.org.au

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TV and Film Production Program

Funding Provider
Screen Canberra

Location
ACT

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19797

Primary Category
Communication media

Eligible to
- Individual
- Business

Funding
$300,000 (approx)

Rounds
Closes **4 Jan 2026**

Opens **19 Jan 2026** Closes **1 Mar 2026**

Opens **16 Mar 2026** Closes **3 May 2026**

Purpose

The TV and Film Production Program supports the production of feature films, scripted and unscripted television, and single documentaries that have a confirmed pathway to audience.

Overview

The program aims to grow production activity in the ACT, support local talent and strengthen the region's screen industry.

Projects must be at least a commercial half hour in duration.

Available Funding:

- Production Grants Non-recoupable funding up to $300,000. Each dollar provided is expected to generate at least four dollars in Qualifying ACT Expenditure (QACTE).
- Equity Investment Available for projects seeking more than $300,000. Equity terms are negotiated in line with Screen Canberra's investment conditions.

Funding may be offered at a different level than applied for, depending on demand and available resources.

Limitations

Applicants must:

- Have an active ABN
- Be ACT based or demonstrate clear ACT economic benefit
- Hold the rights required to develop and release the game
- Have meaningful creative and or financial control
- Have the capacity and resources to deliver the proposed work
- Meet Screen Canberra's Terms of Trade

Individuals must also:

- Be at least 18
- Be Australian citizens or permanent residents
- Not be full time students
- Be ACT based or engage at least two ACT based key creatives

Companies must also:

- Be incorporated in Australia
- Be ACT based or be genuine co producers with an ACT based company, or meet the minimum ACT spend requirement
- Not be gambling companies or educational institutions

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19797/info

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19797/apply
Email: info@screencanberra.com.au

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Victorian Screen Incentive (VSI)

Funding Provider
VicScreen

Location
VIC

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19648

Primary Category
Communication media

Eligible to
Business

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

VSI grants are state-based incentives to help you hit go on your screen project in Victoria.

Overview

The Victorian Screen Incentive (VSI) program is an economic development initiative that offers grants to support screen work undertaken in Victoria.

The VSI supports two streams of activity:

1. Physical Production;
2. Digital Games, Animation, Post-Production and Visual Effects.

The objectives of the VSI are to:

- Attract interstate and international screen production projects and businesses to Victoria.
- Increase employment and skills development opportunities for Victorian-based screen industry practitioners.
- Support screen business growth and employment.
- Increase business and employment opportunities for Victorian based companies, including screen industry services, equipment providers and allied industries.
- Promote Melbourne and regional Victoria as filming locations to local and international producers of screen content.

Projects must also meet specific minimum expenditure requirements:

- AUD$8 million of Qualifying Victorian Expenditure (QVE) for Physical Production projects.
- AUD$0.5 million of QVE for Digital Games, Animation, Post-Production and Visual Effects projects.

For physical production projects, projects must be considered footloose, meaning there are genuine interstate or international destination alternatives for the proposed activities.

Limitations

Applicants must be:

- A company with the rights to produce the project or a part of it, and/or;
- A company with the rights to undertake post-production, animation, visual effects or digital games work on the project.

Projects must be one of the following:

- Fiction - feature film or series.
- Documentary - feature film or series.
- Light entertainment, including reality and lifestyle shows that showcase the locations, people or lifestyle of Victorians. Please note current affairs programs, quiz shows and variety or panel shows are not eligible.
- A digital game that is designed primarily for entertainment.

Additionally, projects must:

- Be fully financed.
- Have a genuine marketplace interest for commercial release or distribution of the project at the time of application.
- Have a budget that includes, at least, minimum Australian industry award rates for industry practitioners involved in the Victorian work.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19648/info

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Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19648/guidelines

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19648/apply

Email: joe.brinkmann@vicscreen.vic.gov.au **Phone:** 03 9660 3255

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Video Games Development (VGD) Rebate

Funding Provider
South Australian Film Corporation (SAFC)

Location
SA

Funding Type
Rebate U00125

Primary Category
Communication media

Eligible to
- Individual
- Business

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The SA Video Games Development Rebate (SA VGD Rebate) enables video games studios to claim a percentage of costs incurred to develop a video game in South Australia.

Overview

The SA VGD Rebate is a new scheme and the first of its kind in Australia. The Rebate seeks to be responsive to the needs of the games industry and to establish South Australia as a leading location for games development by encouraging established South Australian games studios to scale and by incentivising other games studios to establish a base or undertake work in South Australia.

A discretionary rebate equivalent to 10% of Eligible Expenditure on video game development work undertaken in South Australia on an Eligible Project, subject to available funds.

A minimum of AUD $250,000 must be spent and retained in South Australia on Eligible Expenditure on an Eligible Project.

Applications can be made throughout the year at regular intervals. Complete applications must be received no later than six weeks prior to a Board Meeting.

Limitations

Applications for the SA VGD Rebate must meet all the following eligibility requirements:

- Eligible Applicant: The Applicant for the SA VGD Rebate must be able to demonstrate that:
  - they own or control the necessary rights to develop the game, or;
  - if the Applicant is a service provider undertaking the work, they must demonstrate that they have been engaged to undertake that work by the rights holder. Only one Applicant per game project may apply.
- Eligible Project: Eligible games are those which are intended for public release for a global audience and meet the Expenditure Threshold. Games can be serious games, educational games, narrative and non-narrative format games, free-to-play and premium games. The commitment to develop the project (which may be subject to the SA VGD Rebate) must be confirmed prior to application for Provisional Approval (see below).
- Eligible Format: Any digital game including VR, AR, mobile, tablet, console, installation, PC and multiplatform games.
- Expenditure Threshold: Qualifying Expenditure on Qualifying Tasks of at least $250,000 (ex GST) on the Eligible Project.
- Qualifying Tasks: Tasks directly necessary for the development of the launch version of a video game and/or major update of an existing game (See SA VGD Expenditure Principles).
- Qualifying Expenditure: Qualifying Development Expenditure (as defined in the SA VGD Expenditure Principles) on Qualifying Tasks undertaken in South Australia by South Australian Residents which is incurred and retained in South Australia and which has Provisional Approval.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online

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Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00125/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00125/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00125/apply
Email: programs@safilm.com.au **Phone:** 8394 2029

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West Coast Visions - Documentary

Funding Provider
ScreenWest

Location
WA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G17794

Primary Category
Communication media

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Business

Funding
$500,000

Rounds
Closes **30 Mar 2026**

Purpose

Screenwest's West Coast Visions is a screen industry development initiative that provides production funding for low budget features that are to be produced in Western Australia.

Overview

This initiative is designed to uncover, inspire and develop talented Western Australian filmmaking teams with a distinctive vision. It provides grant production funding for a director's debut feature length documentary film that will be made in Western Australia.

Screenwest encourages applications from First Nations Australians and people from historically under-represented groups.

Applicants must present a well-developed and marketable feature documentary concept, a budget-conscious methodology, and a team capable of managing the project's creative and logistical demands.

Funding Available: Up to $500,000 per project.

Limitations

The applicant / company must:

- Be a resident Western Australian Producer/Production Company, as per the Screenwest Terms of Trade.
- Meet the general eligibility requirements as set out in the Screenwest Terms of Trade.
- Hold the underlying rights to the project at the time of application.

The team must:

- Be led by a first-time Western Australian feature documentary Director who has not had a theatrically released feature film credit or equivalent Above-the-Line (ATL) broadcast credit.
- Include at least one Western Australian producer who will be credited in this role on this film.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G17794/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G17794/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G17794/apply
Email: Ellie.Gaisford@screenwest.com.au **Phone:** +61 8 6169 2109

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ASVB Grant Program

Funding Provider
Australian Social Value Bank (ASVB)

Location
Aus

Funding Type
In-kind Contribution U00709

Primary Category
Community development

Eligible to
Not-for-Profit

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Australian Social Value Bank (ASVB) aims to make social value measurement accessible for small organisations delivering social impact.

Overview

Through our Grant Program, eligible Australian organisations with annual revenue under $1.5 million can apply to access a fully supported 12-month ASVB Subscription.

Grants are available for not-for-profits and certified social enterprises. This program is funded by the purchase of Large and Very Large User Subscriptions and supports strong, evidence-based social value measurement across the sector.

Limitations

- **Eligibility:** You must meet and verify all eligibility requirements. Grants are dependent on the sale of ASVB Subscriptions to large organisations.
- **Awarding:** All decisions are at the sole discretion of Alliance Social Enterprises (ASE). No further correspondence will be entered into once a decision is finalised.
- **Licence Period:** Licences awarded are valid for 12 months only.
- **Compliance:** Breach of the licence agreement or participation requirements may result in immediate cancellation of access to the ASVB and may result in legal action.
- **Expectations & Commitment:** Recipients are required to participate in onboarding, group check-ins, surveys, reporting, and the Community of Practice (estimated total time commitment: 10 hours in session time and additional time to conduct social impact measurement activities as per the needs of your organisation over 12 months).

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00709/info
Email: info@asvb.com.au **Phone:** +61 (0)428 025 957

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Andrews Foundation Grants

Funding Provider
Andrews Foundation

Location
VIC

Funding Type
Cash Grant G00698

Primary Category
Community development

Eligible to
Not-for-Profit

Funding
Amount: $5,000 (approx) to $20,000 (approx)
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Andrews Foundation is devoted to improving the quality of life in the South East Region of Victoria. Grants support organisations with innovative ideas that help create a positive and long-lasting impact on our communities.

Overview

Areas supported include:

Health

- Hospitals
- Mental Health
- Wellbeing
- Research innovation

Education

- Disadvantage and Disengagement
- Project innovation
- Research innovation

Aged care

- Community support
- Project innovation

Disadvantaged

- Community support
- Emergency Relief
- Isolation
- Social Exclusion
- Cultural awareness and inclusion
- Homelessness

Disability

- Community support
- Research innovation
- Project innovation

Environment

- Community Projects incl. education
- Sustainability
- Cultural preservation
- Wildlife Conservation
- Local Heritage

The closing dates for applications are at the end of:

- May
- August
- October

Funding amounts

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Generally, grants are a maximum of $20,000.00. The range is typically between $5,000.00 - $20,000.00.

Limitations

Eligibility

Applicant must be charitable in the legal sense. To substantiate charitable status the Applicant must be registered with ACNC and have DGR status or at least be Tax Exempt. Proof must be supplied.

The Trust expects the Grant to be utilised within twelve months. In exceptional circumstances this period may be extended upon request.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Email
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G00698/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G00698/apply
Address: PO Box 1011 Warragul 3820 VIC
Email: info@andrewsfoundation.org.au

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Australia Awards Fellowships

Funding Provider
Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT)

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Award A00827

Primary Category
Community development

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- State Govt
- University
- Local Govt
- Business

Funding
$34,500
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **16 Jan 2026 midnight (AEDT)**

Purpose

Fellowships target senior and mid-career officials and professionals who are in a position to advance development outcomes in priority areas and increase the institutional capacity of partner countries through their leadership.

Overview

The Australia Awards Fellowships program is a competitive grants program providing short-term development opportunities in Australia that develop influential networks to advance development outcomes in partner countries by:

- increasing the capacity of mid-career and senior officials in the region who are positioned to lead priority development and foreign affairs outcomes in partnership with Australia
- developing and strengthening institutional partnerships and people-to people links across the region and beyond between Australian and overseas counterpart organisations.

Fellowship activities aim to provide access to high-quality training, exchange of expertise, skills and knowledge, and opportunities to enhance networks on issues of shared interest. Activities can include a combination of short-term study and/or training, research, professional attachments, and networking.

Limitations

Who can apply?

Australian organisations such as government institutions, business and non-government organisations are eligible to apply. Organisations must be legal entities with an Australian Business Number and must be able to demonstrate links with partner organisations in participating countries, and provide in-kind or financial contributions to support Fellowships. Individuals cannot apply.

Fellow eligibility

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Australia Awards Fellowships target senior officials and mid-career professionals, who, in the short to medium term, will be in a position to advance priority development and foreign affairs issues on their return home. To be eligible, all Fellows nominated by Australian organisations must:

- be a minimum of 18 years of age at the time of commencing the Fellowship;
- not have Australian permanent resident status or be applying for permanent residency;
- be a citizen of and residing in an eligible developing country. The Fellow's country of citizenship and residency may differ;
- not be current serving military personnel;
- not be married or engaged to, or be a de facto of a person who holds, or is eligible to hold, Australian or New Zealand citizenship or permanent residency;
- have been working in their country of citizenship or residency and in an area relevant to the Fellowship activities preceding the date of the proposed commencement of their Fellowship;
- be able to satisfy all requirements determined by the Department of Home Affairs for a visa (section 10.3) for further information);
- be able to participate in the nominated Fellowship activities at the time and for the duration proposed by the Australian organisation;
- be able to travel without family members as DFAT will only fund and provide visa support letters for individual Fellows, not their family members;
- have an adequate level of English language ability to be able to fully participate in the program, including an ability to complete the Fellow's Completion Survey at the conclusion of their Fellowship;
    - Note: Australia Host Organisations (AHOs) are responsible for ensuring Fellows have an adequate level of English language ability or must implement appropriate measures to enable Fellows to fully participate in and benefit from the Fellowship activities (e.g. translation services).
    - DFAT does not recommend using translation services for multilateral Fellowships where use of translation services may compromise learning outcomes or where English language capabilities differ substantially amongst Fellows.
- If successful in their application AHOs should consult with the relevant DFAT post in their selection of candidates for Fellowships (in some instances there may be candidates who Posts may be able to identify as high calibre potential Fellows).

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/A00827/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/A00827/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/A00827/apply
Email: fellowships@dfat.gov.au

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Awesome Foundation Grant

Funding Provider
Awesome Foundation

Location
NSW, VIC, SA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G08128

Primary Category
Community development

Eligible to
- TAFE
- School
- Not-for-Profit
- State Govt
- University
- Individual
- Local Govt
- Business
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
$1,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

To support "awesome" projects including initiatives in a wide range of areas including arts, technology, community development, and more.

Overview

The Awesome Foundation is a global community advancing the interest of awesome in the universe, $1000 at a time.

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Each fully autonomous chapter supports awesome projects through micro-grants, usually given out monthly. These micro-grants, $1000 or the local equivalent, come out of pockets of the chapter's "trustees" and are given on a no-strings-attached basis to people and groups working on awesome projects.

Every chapter interprets "awesome" for itself. As such, awesome projects include initiatives in a wide range of areas including arts, technology, community development, and more. Many awesome projects are novel or experimental, and evoke surprise and delight. Awesome sometimes challenges and often inspires. Browse some grants on the chapter pages of their website for examples.

Applications close the day before monthly meetings.

Assessors meet on the second Tuesday of each month and award the grant recipient, considering all the previous month's applications.

Limitations

Who can apply?

Anyone is eligible for a grant — individuals, groups, and organisations alike.

Most chapters show a strong preference for projects that contribute to their own communities, though some occasionally consider applications from further afield. Try to apply to a chapter near you, in a location where you have roots, or that you think would have a particular interest your idea. If this isn't possible, you can select "Any" on the application form, or apply to one of a handful of thematic chapters.

Awesome Foundation Australian Chapters:

- Adelaide
- Fleurieu
- Lake Mac
- Melbourne
- Newcastle
- Sydney
- Geelong
- Morwell

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G08128/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G08128/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G08128/apply
Email: contact@awesomefoundation.org

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Bite-sized Grants (Northern and Yorke)

Funding Provider
Landscape South Australia

Location
SA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G18755

Primary Category
Community development

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
Amount: $200 to $2,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **29 May 2026 5pm**

Purpose

Northern and Yorke Landscape Board Grants program provides funding to community groups and not-for-profit organisations to enable them to undertake projects that deliver positive environmental outcomes across the Northern & Yorke Region.

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Overview

The Northern and Yorke Landscape Board Grants program funds community groups and non-profit organisations for projects that create positive environmental outcomes across the region. The Bite-sized Grants program supports small, short-term projects with funding between $200 and $2,000. Projects must be completed, funds acquitted, and a report submitted within 3 months of receiving the grant. All projects must be finished and acquitted by 30 July, 2025.

Limitations

Who can apply?

Applicants must be an incorporated, not-for-profit organisation or volunteer group (including but not limited to Land, Coast, and Bushcare groups, Friends of groups, farming groups and schools, etc.).Applicants must hold valid public liability insurance and be able to provide a certificate of currency from their insurer.

Individual landholders cannot apply, although groups of landholders may apply with the support of a sponsor.

All applicants are required to be either a 'legal entity' as listed below or have a sponsor who is a 'legal entity':

- Associations - incorporated under the Associations Incorporation Act 1985 (have "Inc." after their name)
- Local Government - under Local Government Act 1999
- Most Australian universities Some private schools.
- Some private schools are incorporated or companies, however, many are not.
- Public schools are not an individual legal entity, however the Minister of Education and Child Development, is a legal entity.

Applicants who are not a legal entity will need to seek an eligible sponsor.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G18755/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G18755/guidelines

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G18755/apply
Email: ny.landscapeboard@sa.gov.au **Phone:** 8841 3444

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Carer's Grant - Branch Meetings

Funding Provider
Australian and New Zealand Society for Immunology Inc

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G14420

Primary Category
Community development

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$500
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

ASI strongly promote equity and diversity, and we wish to support primary carers to be able to attend ASI Branch Meetings. We acknowledge the challenges associated with attending your local branch meeting, and now offer the ASI Carer's Grant to help offset the costs of caring either at home or at the meeting.

Overview

Up to AUD 500 per grant for costs associated with additional caring support that allows the primary carer to attend their local Branch Meeting.

The award cannot be used for normal care costs, but only for additional care arrangements required to enable carers to attend a branch meeting. Such costs include:

- Employment of a carer while the primary carer is away

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- Before- or after-school care for children while the primary carer is away
- Travel costs for a dependant (and carer) to accompany the primary carer to the meeting
- Travel costs for a relative or substitute carer to care for a dependent at home while the primary carer is away.

The award does not cover the ordinary costs of the meeting such as travel expenses or registration.

Limitations

Eligibility

- Applicants must be current ASI members
- Applicants must be the primary carer of a dependent and/or one or more dependent children of primary school age, or younger.
- All genders are welcome to apply

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G14420/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G14420/apply
Phone: 03 9586 6095

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Celebrate Together Grants - Small grants

Funding Providers
Multicultural Affairs SA
Department of the Premier and Cabinet (SA)

Location
SA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19703

Primary Category
Community development

Eligible to
Not-for-Profit

Funding
$5,000

Rounds
Closes **22 Feb 2026**

Opens **1 Jul 2026** Closes **31 Aug 2026**

Purpose

Celebrate Together Grants Small grants are targeted towards smaller festivals and events that will reach your organisation's community. Events that encourage participation of the wider South Australian community will also be considered favourably.

Overview

Small grants are up to $5,000 and are available to eligible multicultural organisations for festivals and events to be delivered within 12 months.

Outcomes

The Celebrate Together Grants invests in multicultural organisations to achieve one or more of the following outcomes:

- increase understanding of the culturally diverse community in which we live
- celebrate and showcase the culture and customs of South Australia's diverse multicultural communities with the wider community
- build a visible profile to highlight the unique cultural brand of South Australia
- support new and emerging communities to increase their skills and experience through delivering events
- foster partnerships (financial or non-financial) between culturally diverse communities and other sectors through shared hosting of festivals and events

Limitations

Who is eligible?

To be eligible for funding, multicultural organisations must:

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- be non-government, not-for-profit and
    - incorporated under the Associations Incorporation Act 1985, or
    - an Australian Public Company Limited by Guarantee under the Corporations Act 2001, or
    - a Statutory Authority established through an Act, or
    - registered with the Australian Charities and Not-for-Profit Commission
- have a registered Australian Business Number (ABN)
- provide satisfactory evidence that their core purpose is to deliver initiatives, services or support for culturally and linguistically diverse communities in South Australia
- be South Australian based.

Not for profit multicultural organisations that are not incorporated or do not have an ABN may apply under the auspices of an eligible multicultural organisation. Auspice organisations must also meet the above eligibility criteria. There is no limit to the number of times an eligible organisation may auspice other organisations.

Who is not eligible?

The following are ineligible for funding:

- non-multicultural organisations
- organisations that have outstanding obligations for previously awarded grants
- education institutions or related representative bodies, e.g. schools and/or their parents' associations, universities and for-profit childcare centres
- individuals or organisations applying on behalf of an individual
- for-profit organisations or private companies
- Commonwealth, state or local government department and agencies.
- have been incorporated for less than one year
- organisations in receipt of existing 3 year Election Commitment Multicultural Affairs event funding
- are unincorporated Associations.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19703/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19703/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19703/apply
Email: multiculturalAffairs@sa.gov.au **Phone:** 1300 239 468

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Cemetery Trust Grant

Funding Provider
Department of Health (VIC)

Location
VIC

Funding Type
Cash Grant G07590

Primary Category
Community development

Eligible to
Not-for-Profit

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **31 Mar 2026**

Last Round
Closed **31 Oct 2025**

Purpose

The cemetery grants program was established to provide funding as a contribution to the cost of cemetery infrastructure, amenities, maintenance, equipment and training.

Overview

Public cemeteries in Victoria are governed by cemetery trusts. Members of cemetery trusts are appointed by the Governor in Council, upon recommendation of the Minister for Health (the Minister).

In Victoria, cemetery trusts are divided into Class A and Class B cemetery trusts. Class A cemetery trusts have greater financial responsibilities with corresponding reporting and accountability requirements and govern the larger public cemeteries.

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The grant are available to both Class A and Class B cemetery trusts, however it is acknowledged that Class B cemetery trusts, which are operated by more that 3,000 appointed volunteer members, are often unable to generate sufficient funds to maintain or improve their facilities.

The grants program has the following objectives:

- To enhance the delivery of cemetery services across Victoria
- To support and strengthen the governance of public cemeteries
- To develop and maintain local community infrastructure
- To support and sustain the volunteer cemetery trust workforce
- To invest in local communities

Cemetery grant applications are assessed twice a year in March and November.

Limitations

Elibibility:

1. Cemetery trusts are required to have an ABN.
2. Cemetery trusts are required to have **fully expended all previous cemetery program grants and provide evidence of the grant acquittal to the department**.
3. Cemetery trusts **are required to have submitted their Abstract of Accounts**.

Please note: Trust members cannot quote or be paid to carry out any part of the proposed works, as this is a direct conflict of interest.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Mail, Email
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G07590/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G07590/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G07590/apply
Address: Divisional Portfolio Entity and Appointments Advisory Unit - Department of Health GPO Box 4057 Melbourne 3001 VIC
Email: cemeteries@health.vic.gov.au **Phone:** 1800 034 280

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Charitable Trust Grant

Funding Provider
HV McKay Charitable Trust

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G12995

Primary Category
Community development

Eligible to
Not-for-Profit
DGR Required

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

HV McKay Charitable Trust provide funding for charitable purposes, particularly: relief of poverty, education, advancement of religion in accordance with the tenets of the Presbyterian church and the general benefit of the community.

Overview

The HV McKay Charitable Trust focuses on funding projects that meet the following guidelines:

1. Focus is on rural as opposed to urban projects. Support may also be given to national or State- wide bodies that have a rural bias. Interstate rural projects will also be considered.
2. Projects will be funded particularly where more orthodox support is hampered by conditions. Funding for feasibility or development stage of a project may be offered.
3. Precise and plausible programs, budget and funding information will assist in the consideration of applications. General requests are unhelpful.

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4. Applications should indicate who will benefit from the project, the long term benefits to society and should indicate how the success of the project will be measured.
5. Applications should indicate staff and other personnel required for the project, time scale, and the involvement of the organisation and its membership.
6. Funding will be considered to organisations which are community based and managed and can demonstrate accountability to the membership and the wider community.
7. Funding will only be considered for applications which are non profit and are legally constituted.
8. Projects which are unlikely to obtain government funding at a given stage of development will be considered favourably.

Limitations

Eligibility

The HV McKay Charitable Trust can only accept applications that meet the following criteria:

1. Applicant must be Deductible Gift Recipients (DGRs).
2. Applicant must registered with the Australian Charities and Not-For-Profits Commission (ACNC).
3. Applicant must be eligible to receive Charity Tax Concessions (CTC).

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Email
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G12995/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G12995/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G12995/apply
Email: admin@henrypartners.com.au

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Communities Innovation Fund

Funding Provider
Department of Families, Seniors, Disability Services and Child Safety (QLD)

Location
QLD

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19760

Primary Category
Community development

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- University
- Local Govt
- Business
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
$200,000
Total Pool: $1,000,000

Rounds
Closes **30 Jan 2026**

Purpose

The Communities Innovation Fund provides a competitive grants program to support flexible person-centred and place-based responses to social isolation and loneliness in Queensland communities.

Overview

The grant program provides up to $200,000 per year to community organisations for innovative projects that create meaningful connections for Queenslanders experiencing social isolation and loneliness.

The 2026 round of the grant program invites eligible organisations to submit proposals specifically targeting the unique challenges of social isolation and loneliness faced by:

- young Queenslanders aged 12 to 25
- young people 12 to 25 using or experiencing domestic, family and sexual violence (DFSV), and
- victim-survivors of DFSV of all ages.

Initiatives may also contribute to the grant program's secondary objectives, which include to:

- increase community understanding of social isolation and loneliness including the causes, impacts, barriers and enablers to overcoming social isolation and loneliness
- establish and maintain social and community connections and promote inclusion

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- support capacity building within organisations to respond to those experiencing social isolation and loneliness from within the relevant cohorts.

Limitations

To be eligible to apply for the grant program, your organisation-or auspicing organisation-must be incorporated and can be:

- a not-for-profit organisation
- a company limited by guarantee
- a cooperative
- an incorporated association
- a university or research organisation
- a Local Government
- an unincorporated community or user-led group or organisation that is auspiced by an eligible entity
- a profit-for-purpose company.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19760/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19760/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19760/apply
Email: grantqueries@families.qld.gov.au

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Community Action Grants

Funding Provider
Tasmanian Community Fund

Location
TAS

Funding Type
Cash Grant G15997

Primary Category
Community development

Eligible to
Not-for-Profit

Funding
Amount: $5,000 to $50,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **31 Dec 2025**

Purpose

The Tasmanian Community Fund is calling for applications from not-for-profit community organisations for projects that increase community wellbeing.

Overview

The Tasmanian Community Fund is calling for applications from not-for-profit community organisations for projects that support strong, vibrant and resilient communities, through programs and activities that remove barriers to learning for 8-19-year olds and build leadership capability and capacity across the community.

The 2025 focus areas include:

- **Connected and educated children and young people**
- **Capable and well-led communities**

Project funding is available for:

- a maximum of two years (awarded amount can be split across this timeline in accordance with the needs of the project).
- projects that are tailored for the Tasmanian community
- programs, including pilot programs
- infrastructure and equipment that remove barriers to enable 8–19 year olds to stay engaged and connected to learning
- projects that have a minimum of 10% cash contribution (of the amount being sought from the TCF) from the applicant or another funding partner

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- projects that include community or organisation collaboration are strongly encouraged.

Limitations

To be eligible to apply, organisations must be:

- not for profit;
- incorporated, or be a not#for#profit legal entity, or sponsored by an incorporated organisation or a not#for#profit legal entity; and
- based in Tasmania, or proposing to undertake a project in Tasmania.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G15997/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G15997/guidelines

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G15997/apply
Address: GPO Box 1350 Hobart 7001 TAS
Email: admin@tascomfund.org **Phone:** 6165 8333

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Community Bank Canberra and Regions - Sponsorship

Funding Providers
Bendigo and Adelaide Bank
Bendigo Bank

Location
ACT

Funding Type
Cash Grant G17520

Primary Category
Community development

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Business
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

A sponsorship is an arrangement with Community Bank Canberra and Regions (Batemans Bay, Belconnen, Calwell, Curtin, Cooma, Deakin, Newcastle, Tuggeranong) to support an event, activity, organisation through the provision of money, goods or services.

Overview

Sponsorships typically provide a tangible benefit to both the recipient (which benefits through receiving material support) and the sponsor (which benefits via enhanced public image and access to a wider audience). The recipient is required to provide some service back to the sponsor, such as advertising or tickets.

Community Bank Canberra and Regions looks to develop sponsorship partnerships that are mutually beneficial. Specifically, we look for sponsorships that offer:

- Community visibility
- Opportunities to promote the Community Bank and to tell our story
- Strong support for our Bank from committees, encouraging members and parents to bank with the Community Bank Canberra and Regions.

Limitations

You must meet the eligibility criteria for our sponsorship program:

- Be an Australian organisation/Australian citizen with a valid Australian bank account.
- Be a current Community Bank Canberra and Regions (part of Bendigo Bank) or willing to become a Community Bank Canberra and Regions (part of Bendigo Bank) customer.
- Not have any other sponsors who are financial institutions. This includes banks, brokers, insurance providers etc.
- Sponsored initiatives must be located in Canberra and its surrounding regions.
- Sponsored initiatives must deliver clear business acquisition outcomes for Community Bank Canberra and Regions.

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Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G17520/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G17520/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G17520/apply
Email: cbcr@bendigoadelaide.com.au

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Community Bank Hurstbridge, Diamond Creek, Eltham, Doreen-Mernda & Kinglake - Fairs, Festivals & Community Projects Grants Program

Funding Providers
Bendigo and Adelaide Bank
Bendigo Bank

Location
Nillumbik

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19418

Primary Category
Community development

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **30 Mar 2026**

Purpose

Community Bank Hurstbridge, Diamond Creek, Eltham, Doreen-Mernda and Kinglake is committed to developing partnerships that assist in achieving positive community outcomes.

Overview

Grants for Fairs, Festivals and all Community Projects occurs on a twice yearly basis and the cut-off date is 30 March and 30 September.

If an application for a Fair, Festival or Community Project is received outside of the cut-off dates in March and September its merit will be reviewed by the Valley Community Financial Board first. Please contact the Community Engagement Officer to discuss.

Limitations

Eligibility:

You must:

- be an incorporated community or not-for-profit organisation
- have a project partner if you are not an incorporated organisation. A project partner is an incorporated community or not-for profit organisation that is willing to enter into the funding agreement on your behalf and help you to deliver the project
- have a valid Australian bank account

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19418/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19418/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19418/apply
Email: m.debolfo@valleyfinancial.com.au **Phone:** 0430 855 596

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Community Bank Maldon & District Partnerships Program

Funding Providers
Bendigo and Adelaide Bank
Bendigo Bank
Community Enterprise Foundation

Location
VIC

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19777

Primary Category
Community development

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **2 Mar 2026**

Purpose

Community partnerships are a business investment in which Community Bank Maldon & District supports an event, project, or organisation through the provision of money, goods or services in return for customer acquisition opportunities and brand recognition.

Overview

If your community group has an idea that would help the ongoing development wellbeing and sustainability of the community but you need funds to do it this partnership program could be for you. Rounds are offered quarterly.

Limitations

Community-based organisations who share our values and have an Australian Business Number (ABN) can apply. Those without ABNs can be auspiced (partnered) by a community group with an ABN to receive funding on their behalf. You'll need to supply a letter from the organisation auspicing your project or event confirming they have agreed to support your application for funding.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19777/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19777/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19777/apply
Email: community@mdcb.com.au **Phone:** 03 5475 1747

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Community Benefit Card

Funding Provider
Ritchies

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G05069

Primary Category
Community development

Eligible to
- School
- Not-for-Profit

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

To donate a percentage of the money spent by Ritchies customers to their nominated club, school or charity.

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Overview

Ritchies' Community Benefit Card program offers savings for customers and fundraising dollars for nominated organisations at the same time!

Here's how it works!

- Ask for your free Ritchies Community Benefit Card at your nearest Ritchies supermarket or liquor store.
- Enter the name of the community group that you would like to be the recipient of a donation from Ritchies.
- Your Ritchies Community Benefit Card will be issued and can be used, immediately!
- You can choose to have a key tag to place upon your key ring or you might prefer the convenience of a Plastic Card to place in your wallet or purse. You might prefer one of each. The card or key tags are free and the choice is up to you!
- Your completed Application Form is returned to Ritchies Head Office, where your Community Benefit Card number and the CB number for your community group is entered into Ritchies computer.
- Every time you shop you will be asked by one of Ritchies friendly cashiers to present your Community Benefit Card!
- Your card will be scanned at the register, which will automatically allocate 0.5% of the money you spend** to your nominated organization, as long as they are achieving the minimum of $2,000 spent each month.
- There are also hundreds of weekly specials that have extra discounts for Ritchies Community Benefit Cardholders. These 'CB' specials are clearly marked with red shelf tickets bearing the Community Benefit logo.
- Ritchies also have CB Saver for even more special offers! You must be 18 years or over to receive the email offers.

Ritchies reserves the right to change the terms of any of its cards, programs or clubs at any time.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Mail
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G05069/info
Contact: Ritchies

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Community Capital Credit Fund

Funding Providers
10x10
Community Capital

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G12797

Primary Category
Community development

Eligible to
Not-for-Profit
DGR Required

Funding
Total Pool: $420,000,000

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Community Capital Credit Fund will enable more promising social purpose organisations to successfully traverse through the growth cycle.

Overview

Management fees (net of internal costs) will be donated to promising early-stage social purpose organisations, supporting them to focus on their social impact expertise in the early stages, and then readying them for the tasks of organisation-building and long term funding sustainability.

The Community Capital Credit Fund provides diversified global private debt exposure through leading providers such as Partners Group, Varde, Hayfin, Pacific Alliance Group and Bain.

The fund has been established with support and a cornerstone investment from Australian Retirement Trust, along with foundation investments from leading superannuation funds and philanthropic foundations including Minderoo, Insignia and legalsuper.

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Limitations

If you're a promising early-stage social purpose organisation registered with the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission (**ACNC**) registration and with Deductible Gift Recipient (**DGR1**) status, you are eligible to apply.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G12797/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G12797/apply
Address: Level 41, 168 Pitt Street Sydney 2000 NSW
Email: enquiries@communitycapital.com.au

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Community Development Fund

Funding Provider
Department of Energy, Environment and Climate Action (VIC)

Location
VIC

Funding Type
Cash Grant G14287

Primary Category
Community development

Eligible to
- TAFE
- Not-for-Profit
- University
- Local Govt
- Business

Funding
$2,000,000
Total Pool: $22,000,000

Rounds
Closes **30 Jun 2026**

Purpose

The $22 million Community Development Fund is designed to support the implementation of opportunities identified by communities in their Local Development Strategy.

Overview

It aims to maintain the momentum for the economic transition built up through the Local Development Strategy program and continue the development of new industries and opportunities.

Allocation of the funding available will be through two funding streams.

Stream 1

Funds are available for project management support and to upskill community members to build business expertise and community capability.

Each town or community is eligible to apply for up to $500,000 to fund:

- project management support including:
    - co-ordinating the implementation and delivery of each Innovation Working Group established through the Local Development Strategy program
    - implementing enabling activities identified in the Local Development Strategy
    - providing administration support to each Innovation Working Group and the Local Development Strategy Leadership Group
    - convening community meetings supporting the Local Development Strategy
    - leading and delivering a communications strategy for the Local Development Strategy.
- upskilling community members, including:
    - the identification of workforce and business support needs
    - building business expertise, capability and resilience
    - community workforce capability and training
    - grant-writing assistance
    - succession planning and investor/investee advice
    - leadership development
    - business development support.

Stream 2

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Funds are available to progress opportunities for diversification identified through the Local Development Strategy program.

Each of the 11 towns or communities may be eligible to access up to $2 million in funding comprising:

- up to $500,000 (excluding GST) of guaranteed funding (provided the applications meet departmental requirements, eligibility and assessment criteria)
- up to $1.5 million (excluding GST) of competitive funding once the community's guaranteed funding is exhausted. This funding will be awarded on a competitive basis where a grant application is selected on merit following assessment against a set of criteria.

Those applications that best meet the objective of the program will be recommended for funding.

The spread of grants across the eligible towns and communities will be considered to ensure a fair allocation.

Eligible activities

Projects that may be funded through Funding Stream 2 are those that:

- are aligned to the outcomes of the community's Local Development Strategy
- are endorsed by the local community organisation that oversees the implementation of the town's Local Development Strategy.

The types of activities include:

- initial funding to support innovation opportunities identified through the Local Development Strategy, and developed by the Innovation Working Groups, including:
    - applied research and development
    - project activity support
    - pilot projects/feasibility studies / business cases / funding submissions
    - marketing
    - logistics and supply chain development.
- infrastructure improvements identified in the Local Development Strategy, for example:
    - technology, plant and equipment, and communications
    - new or upgraded infrastructure including utility or service connections

Activities that will generally not be funded include:

- activities primarily to meet regulatory requirements
- requests for retrospective funding where projects have been completed or have commenced prior to receiving funding approval
- purchase of property or vehicles
- use of funding for political campaigning or advocacy activities for political parties
- activities undertaken by the private sector as a result of a Victorian Government contract
- activities normally funded through Commonwealth, State or local government sources
- activities requiring operational funding from the Victorian Government once completed.

The Community Development Fund is open until 30 June 2026.

Limitations

Who is eligible?

Funding Streams 1 and 2

Applications for both funding streams will be considered from a community or industry group including:

- an incorporated community organisation
- local government authority
- a business and industry cluster or network
- non-profit organisation
- chamber of commerce, business association, education and research organisations.

Stream 2

Applications for Funding Stream 2 will also be considered from:

- Private sector businesses
- Additionally, where applications under Stream 2 are for infrastructure projects that will create investment and jobs, applications may be considered from:
    - utility and services providers
    - water corporations
    - local government authorities
    - incorporated not-for-profit organisations that operate as a business.

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Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Email
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G14287/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G14287/guidelines
Email: forestrytransition@deeca.vic.gov.au **Phone:** 1800 318 182

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Community Energy Activation Program

Funding Provider
Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water (DCCEEW) (NSW)

Location
NSW

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19667

Primary Category
Community development

Eligible to
Not-for-Profit

Funding
Amount: $150,000 to $600,000

Rounds
Closes **16 Feb 2026 5pm**

Overview

The program aims to:

- Reduce barriers for the community to access energy-saving products and services
- Support and scale community energy initiatives
- Improve awareness and uptake of existing financial support and energy efficiency programs
- Deliver measurable benefits-lower energy bills, reduced emissions, and protect the community against future electricity cost increases

Projects may include:

- energy education or information sessions and workshops
- adapting and delivering existing energy education/guidance initiatives to engage new and diverse audiences, with a focus on local relevance, and unlocking barriers to action for previously un-engaged consumers
- providing expert, face-to-face guidance to the community
- delivering other innovative or alternative activities that address specific needs of their local community to enable them to benefit from energy saving products and services, and link consumers with NSW Energy incentives and rebates
- dedicated personnel to deliver energy outreach and guidance programs
- digital tools or platforms that connect consumers with energy-saving products and NSW rebates
- and communication activities supporting the above.

Note: Funding cannot be used for capital purchases and expenditures such as solar panels or batteries, business-as-usual operations, staff costs not related to the project, or retrospective costs.

Limitations

You can apply if you are:

- an Australian based not-for-profit organisation (NFP), which is established with the purpose or mandate to advocate on behalf of household energy consumers and/or to promote consumer energy benefit through community energy initiatives, or
- a Community Energy Group.

Applicants must:

- have an ABN and be a legal entity capable of entering a funding deed
- be financially solvent
- deliver activities within New South Wales that directly and exclusively benefit consumers and communities in New South Wales
- hold a current Public Liability Insurance policy to the value of at least $20 million

Any applicant intending to conduct consumer guidance or recommendation activities must also:

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- be set up to provide guidance and recommendations, with sufficiently expert staff on hand to do so, and
- hold a current Professional Indemnity Insurance policy (with cover amount not less than $5 million in respect of any one claim) and have appropriate risk mitigation measures in place

Individuals, councils, government agencies, businesses, energy product suppliers and retailers, organisations that do not operate in NSW or are based overseas and unincorporated associations are not eligible to apply for funding.

Partnerships between organisations are encouraged. However, while two or more organisations can partner to deliver the grant, only one eligible organisation ('lead applicant') should apply on behalf of all partners and will enter into a funding agreement with the NSW Government.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19667/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19667/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19667/apply
Email: communityenergyprograms@dcceew.nsw.gov.au

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Community Fund: Quick Response Grants

Funding Provider
Nillumbik Shire Council

Location
Nillumbik

Funding Type
Cash Grant G09704

Primary Category
Community development

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
$1,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

This grant aims to fill a gap in funding for community groups requiring assistance outside the regular grant timelines.

Overview

Quick Response grants of up to $1000 are available to support community groups and organisations with emerging or unexpected needs and opportunities.

Applicants can only apply for one Quick Response Grant each financial year.

Funding is available to assist with costs such as:

- Expenses associated with establishing a new community group (e.g. incorporation, insurance and promotion costs)
- Communications, media and marketing
- Seed funding to support a new idea with potential for strong community benefit
- Equipment, tools or training that supports a culture of equity, diversity and inclusion
- Capacity building opportunities including skills development and training
- Facilitating community participation in local activities and enhancing access for those identified as having additional needs
- Volunteer recruitment and support costs (e.g. training and recruitment expenses)
- Purchase or hire of materials and equipment
- Consultant, speaker, or contractor fees
- Venue or meeting room hire

Before applying we highly recommend that you discuss your project idea with Community Partnerships via community@nillumbik.vic.gov.au or 9433 3186.

Limitations

To be eligible for consideration, applicants must:

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- Be a not-for-profit incorporated organisation or community group that lives, works, studies, volunteers or plays in Nillumbik, or partnered with (auspiced by) an eligible organisation
- Hold a minimum of $20 million public liability insurance, or if your activity will be held in a Council venue or on Council land, you may be eligible for coverage under Council's community public liability insurance
- Have acquitted and be compliant with all Nillumbik grants previously awarded by Council
- Spend the funds before 30 June 2025.

Ineligibility:

- Projects, events or activities that are held outside the Nillumbik municipal boundary
- Projects, events or activities that will not substantially benefit the Nillumbik community
- Ongoing operational expenses or core business costs (e.g. salaries, administrative costs, maintenance costs, uniforms, utility bills, etc.)
- Projects that are curriculum based or entirely student or congregation focused
- Projects solely for fundraising purposes without broad community benefit
- Competitions with no community component
- Prize money and awards
- Projects or events with a political or religious purpose
- Events that are fully ticketed with no free or heavily subsidised component
- Alcohol or gambling related activities
- Projects that could be funded via other Council grant programs
- Projects that have received full funding from another source
- Retrospective funding for projects which are due to commence prior to the notification of the application outcome
- Applicants that are in debt to or have any outstanding commitments with the Shire.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G09704/info

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G09704/apply
Email: grants@nillumbik.vic.gov.au **Phone:** 9433 3720

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Community Grant

Funding Provider
Stan Perron Charitable Foundation

Location
WA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19670

Primary Category
Community development

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **8 Apr 2026 5:00pm**

Purpose

Stan Perron's charitable giving was always focused heavily on children and younger people – especially in relation to health, medical research and those younger members of the community living with disability. This extends to the funding of activities that contribute to the education of children and young people, especially the most vulnerable.

Overview

Focus areas for grant giving include:

Western Australia first and foremost The Foundation generally does not provide funds for causes outside of Western Australia. The health and well-being of the WA community is foremost in donation decisions.

The health and well-being of children Stan Perron's charitable giving was always focused heavily on children and younger people – especially in relation to health, medical research and those younger members of the community living with disability. This extends to the funding of activities that contribute to the education of children and young people, especially the most vulnerable.

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This aligns with the Foundation's vision that every child deserves to live the healthiest and happiest life possible and to reach their potential.

Please note that Community Grants exclude applications relating to research. Applicants seeking funding for child health research will be assessed under specific funding criteria for this category and should apply **here***.*

Culturally enriching The Foundation provides funds for iconic cultural and arts organisations in Western Australia, recognising the importance these kinds of activities play in the enrichment of our community.

Business ethics Stan Perron's personal values included an uncompromising commitment to ethical behaviour in business. In the words of Mr Perron himself: "I have found that if you are fair and stick to your word, others will want to do business with you." Accordingly, the Foundation's giving guidelines include consideration of activities that foster ethical behaviour in the business community including initiatives to promote ethics through education.

Solutions that focus on the origins of a problem Much of Stan Perron's early business success can be attributed to his inventive nature and his willingness to look for ways to use innovative thinking to overcome obstacles and challenges. This is reflected in the Foundation's preference to fund programs that look to solve the cause of a problem rather than treating the symptoms.

Please note that organisations seeking funding for research related activity should apply through the Health Research category here

Awarding organisations and individuals who give something back One of Stan Perron's greatest passions was his life-long involvement with the Rotary movement and its ideal of "service above self". Mr Perron showed his commitment to Rotary by his "hands on" involvement – classically illustrated by his work for many years as a volunteer at his local Club's Sunday morning "Swap Meet". It is for this reason that the Foundation will always consider applications for funding that encourage people, especially the young, to engage in community service.

Big or small The Foundation encourages applications regardless of the level of funds sought. Stan Perron never equated the size of a gift to its significance, recognising that a smaller amount can mean as much for a particular person or organisation in need as a larger donation for someone else.

Please note: All Grants will need to satisfy an extensive process of due diligence.

Measurability and accountability matters

All successful applicants will need to show evidence that funds provided are wisely and effectively used.

Partnership funding

As a rule, especially for major Grants, the Foundation has a preference for applicants prepared to consider funding on a partnership basis. This means that the Foundation is not being relied upon as the sole funder of a project or activity but as a co-contributor. The other sources of funding may come from either private or Government sources.

Helping those who help themselves

The Foundation will not always fund the full amount requested. This could involve the Foundation taking the role as the "cornerstone" donor that enables a charity to attract other funding support. This extends to a practice of providing funds at the time of the project or program commencing rather than as an upfront payment.

Limitations

The Foundation will generally NOT fund organisations related to religious belief or political activity nor programs or activities that are clearly a core responsibility of Government.

New applicants may not be successful if they are seeking funding for similar causes, activities, health conditions or community services already being addressed by an existing Foundation Grant recipient.

Please note: While these Guidelines form the basis of a rigorous framework for the assessment of applications, the Trustees retain discretion in all decisions about the granting of Foundation funds.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19670/info

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19670/apply
Email: info@perronfoundation.org.au

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Community Grant Program - Community Growth Grant

Funding Provider
QCoal Foundation

Location
QLD

Funding Type
Cash Grant G11656

Primary Category
Community development

Eligible to
Not-for-Profit
DGR Required

Funding
$15,000

Rounds
Closes **15 Jan 2026**

Last Round
Closed **15 Jan 2025**

Purpose

The community grant program has been established to encourage community-led initiatives to improve liveability, health and education in communities throughout regional and remote Queensland.

Overview

Community Growth Grants are for grants of up to $15,000 per grant.

Awarded yearly in February for the following year. Primarily awarded to large-scale, medium to long term projects of an ongoing nature or larger scale community infrastructure.

Applications for Community Growth Grants **close on the 15 January** each year and will be awarded in February annually.

Applications can be received at any time throughout the year and assessed at the next available assessment period.

Limitations

The QCoal Foundation is only able to provide grants to not-for-profit organisations. In some cases we may refer applications from other community groups to our donor partners who may be able to assist. We are unable to provide grants to individuals.

Grants are not available for:

- Individuals
- Commercial enterprises
- Political, religious or spiritual organisations whose application relates to promotion of their beliefs ∂
- Repayment of loans
- Project contingency

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Mail, Online, Email
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G11656/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G11656/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G11656/apply
Address: PO Box 10630 Brisbane 4000 QLD
Email: grants@qcoalfoundation.org. **Phone:** 07 3002 2900

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Community Grant Program - Community Spirit Grants

Funding Provider
QCoal Foundation

Location
QLD

Funding Type
Cash Grant G11137

Primary Category
Community development

Eligible to
Not-for-Profit
DGR Required

Funding
$2,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The community grant program has been established to encourage community-led initiatives to improve liveability, health and education in communities throughout regional and remote Queensland.

Overview

The objectives of the community grant program are:

- To make meaningful and positive contributions to support the development of vibrant, liveable and sustainable regional and remote communities.
- To foster productive partnerships between QCoal Foundation and local communities and organisations that facilitate long-term, sustainable solutions to community identified needs.
- To provide a simple and transparent process for the application and receipt of project funding that benefits regional and remote communities.

Community Spirit Grants are for up to $2,000.

Closing Dates for applications for the Community Spirit Grants are:

- 15 January
- 30 April
- 31 August

They are awarded 3 times per year (February, May, September).

Short term or one-off projects that reflect the spirit and aspirations of the community.

Limitations

Eligibility

The QCoal Foundation gives preference to applications from not-for-profit organisations with Deductible Gift Recipient (DGR) status. In some cases QCoal Foundation may refer applications from other community groups to our donor partners who may be able to assist. They are unable to provide grants to individuals.

Grants are not available for:

- Individuals
- Commercial enterprises
- Political, religious or spiritual organisations whose application relates to promotion of their beliefs
- Repayment of loans
- Project contingency

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G11137/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G11137/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G11137/apply
Email: contact@qcoalfoundation.org **Phone:** 07 3002 2900

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Community Grants

Funding Provider
CFC Foundation

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G14428

Primary Category
Community development

Eligible to
- TAFE
- Not-for-Profit
- University
- Local Govt
- DGR Required

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Their mission is to make a meaningful impact on communities by promoting collaboration and supporting initiatives that drive positive development.

Overview

The Foundation is responsive to requests that contribute to increasing access to opportunities and is dedicated to supporting charities, non-profit organisations, and social enterprises that work within the four primary focus areas:

- Education
- Medical Research & Health
- Disadvantage Youth
- Arts & Culture

This grant is open on an ongoing basis and requests for funding can be sent via email for review.

Limitations

As a PAF, their primary requirement is to provide grants to Deductible Gift Recipient Item 1 charities and government entities with a charitable purpose.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G14428/info
Email: info@cfc.com.au **Phone:** +61 8 9270 5150

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Community Housing Futures - Business Advisory Program

Funding Providers
QShelter
Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Housing Queensland (Housing Queensland)
Community Housing Industry Australia Queensland (CHIA QLD)

Location
QLD

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19564

Primary Category
Community development

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Local Govt
- Business

Funding
$250,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **16 Jan 2026**

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Purpose

Eligible organisations can apply for a grant of up to $50,000 (ex GST) through this application to cover the cost of tailored assistance from the Approved Professional Advisory Panel.

Overview

Eligible organisations can apply for grants to support any growth-related activity, including but not limited to:

- Finance: project and business financial modelling, financial risk analysis, and key ratios.
- Business planning: project and business planning, preparation of business cases, forming partnerships, monitoring results.
- Property development: developing or procuring new social and affordable housing, mixed tenure, sustainable and accessible property design, urban planning, place-making.
- Risk analysis and management: understanding risks (business, financial, policy, governance etc.) and managing, monitoring, and mitigating risk.
- Partnership development: Costs associated with developing strategic and operational partnerships to deliver more housing supply.
- Growth readiness assessments: Costs associated with developing growth readiness assessments.
- Strategic asset management: Costs associated with developing or strengthening strategic asset management and strategic asset management plans (SAMP).
- Internal capability uplift: Costs associated with increasing the internal capability of CHPs and ICHOs to deliver growth in social and affordable housing.
- Feasibility: Cost associated with assessing the feasibility of proposed developments.

This stream provides grants of up to $100,000 for any growth-ready or likely to grow organisations, including projects that:

- Align with the Queensland Government's housing objectives.
- Build sustainable organisational capacity to deliver additional homes in the future.
- Support the growth of social and/or affordable housing within the next 3-5 years.

Limitations

The General grants stream is targeted to organisations that are growth-ready or likely to grow and meet the eligibility criteria.

Organisations must meet all the following criteria to be eligible for funding under this stream:

- Organisations must be a community housing provider or an Indigenous Community Housing Organisation (under the National Regulatory System for Community Housing (NRSCH), or the Queensland State Regulatory System for Community Housing (QSRSCH).
- Organisations must be delivering or intending to deliver additional housing supply in Queensland.
- Organisations must have supply growth as a strategic objective.

Organisations that were recipients of a grant during Round 1 and Round 2 of the Community Housing Futures Business Advisory Program are eligible to submit applications provided all previous acquittals have been completed.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19564/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19564/guidelines

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19564/apply
Website: https://www.communityhousingfutures.org.au/community-housing-futures/contact-us/ **Email:** communityhousingfutures@qshelter.asn.au

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Community Road Safety Education Grants

Funding Provider
Department of Transport and Main Roads (QLD)

Location
QLD

Funding Type
Cash Grant G15405

Primary Category
Community development

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- School
- Local Govt

Funding
Amount: $0 to $40,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **31 Mar 2026**

Last Round
Closed **30 Sep 2025**

Purpose

The Community Road Safety Grants (CRSG) provide an opportunity for community organisations to support local road safety initiatives that drive a change in behaviours and attitudes to road safety in local communities.

Overview

To support Queensland communities with the development and delivery of effective road safety education initiatives that support people to be safer road users.

Funding is available up to $40,000. Initiatives must be delivered within 12 months of when funding is awarded.

Two funding rounds are available throughout the year. The application submission period for each funding round is open for 6 months.

Funding rounds open in April and October. The next funding rounds will close at 5pm on 30 September 2025 and 31 March 2026.

Limitations

Eligible organisations

For your organisation to be eligible for a Community Road Safety Grant, the organisation must be one of the following:

- Incorporated or registered under an Act of Parliament with not-for-profit objectives; or
- Government entity; or
- Parents and Citizens and Parents and Friends association in partnership with schools.

Eligible organisations must also:

- have an active ABN
- have a bank account in the name of the organisation
- have the appropriate financial governance in place to deliver the grant
- have policies in place to prevent and intervene in bullying and cyberbullying among children and young people (if applicable)
- be registered with the online grants portal

Ineligible organisations

- Organisations trading for profit
- Individuals
- Proprietary limited or public companies limited by shares where the shareholders are individuals or for-profit companies.

The following items are ineligible:

- items or services purchased prior to notification of the outcome of the application
- salaries and wages of existing staff
- cash prizes
- furniture
- IT software and systems
- general maintenance of property
- facility improvements (for example bicycle training paths, sheds, fences)
- general operating or recurring costs
- vehicle purchase / lease / registration

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- grant writer fees
- contingency costs
- social events / alcohol
- feasibility study / research costs / conference attendance costs
- costs associated with fundraising or organisation promotion that does not directly link to road safety education content.
- delivery of the BRAKE or RYDA program (these programs are funded for schools under our program funding, contact the program providers directly for enrolment.)

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G15405/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G15405/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G15405/apply
Contact: Community Road Safety Grants Team
Email: roadsafetygrants@tmr.qld.gov.au **Phone:** 1300 186 159

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Community Sponsorship program

Funding Provider
WorkSafe Victoria

Location
VIC

Funding Type
In-kind Contribution U00763

Primary Category
Community development

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **13 Feb 2026**

Purpose

WorkSafe is seeking applications for community sponsorship opportunities for an event or activity that supports WorkSafe's objectives.

Overview

Through sponsorship WorkSafe aims to:

- Raise awareness of, and increase positive regard for, WorkSafe with target audiences
- Build stronger relationships with the community in support of WorkSafe's role
- Actively engage with the community to build understanding of, and support for WorkSafe's vision and mission
- Inform the community and increase knowledge about WorkSafe's strategic messages.

WorkSafe's Corporate Sponsorship portfolio comprises partnerships with AFL Victoria Country, Victorian Country Netball, Melbourne Vixens and the Western Bulldogs Community Foundation.

Due to these existing partnerships, there is limited funding available for sporting clubs and they are discouraged from applying for a community sponsorship.

WorkSafe considers applications for community sponsorship opportunities four times each year. Sponsorships are assessed against a framework to identify opportunities that best match WorkSafe's priorities.

Limitations

If you'd like to present a community sponsorship opportunity to WorkSafe, you're welcome to apply. Your application will need to include the following information:

- the purpose
- ABN number
- key date/s (please note that sponsorships with October events are discouraged from applying due to the large volume of WorkSafe events already taking place during Health and Safety Month)
- investment amount

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- alignment with WorkSafe's strategic objectives
- benefits being offered
- awareness and reach of the opportunity
- target audience for opportunity
- other sponsors
- any other relevant details

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00763/info
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00763/apply
Email: communitysponsorship@worksafe.vic.gov.au

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Community benefit fund (CBF): Minor community grants

Funding Provider
Department of Tourism and Hospitality (NT)

Location
NT

Funding Type
Cash Grant G06327

Primary Category
Community development

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Local Govt

Funding
$15,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Minor community grants aims to improve the capacity of not-for-profit organisations to provide services, leisure activities and opportunities to Territorians.

Overview

You can apply for minor community grants to fund a project in its entirety or for a portion.

Applications may also be made for multiple purposes. Preference will be given to applications that include co-contributions.

Eligible organisations can apply for amounts up to $15,000.

Funding depends on budget availability and the relative merit of applications. There is no guarantee of ongoing funding.

Minor community grants don't contain GST.

Funding rounds: Applications for funding can be lodged all year-round. There are 12 rounds per year. Rounds close on the last day of the month. Notifications of outcomes are scheduled for the 21st of the following month.

Limitations

If you want to apply for a minor community grant in the Northern Territory (NT), you must be one of the following:

- NT based non-profit community organisation
- NT regional council.

You must be incorporated under one of the following:

- Associations Act 2003
- Corporations Act 2001 (Commonwealth)
- Corporations (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander) Act 2006 (Commonwealth)
- any other Act of Parliament.

Organisations must be not-for-profit and have a physical presence in the NT.

You must be compliant with all reporting requirements relevant to the Act under which you are incorporated.

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If you are registered with the Australian Charities and Not-for-Profits Commission (ACNC) or Office of the Registrar of Indigenous Corporations (ORIC), you must be compliant with their reporting requirements.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G06327/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G06327/apply
Email: cbf.ntg@nt.gov.au **Phone:** 1300 650 153

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Connecting Communities Events

Funding Provider
Department of Primary Industries and Regions (SA)

Location
SA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G17641

Primary Category
Community development

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Business
- Local Govt
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
$5,000

Rounds
Closes **31 Jan 2026 5 pm**

Purpose

The aim of this program is to support gatherings that encourage communities to come together, share experiences, and reinforce the unity and strength of rural areas.

Overview

The Department of Primary Industries and Regions (PIRSA) is offering the Connecting Communities Events Grant as part of the Family and Business Support Program to support rural communities in South Australia affected by drought and other adversity.

Grants of up to $5,000 (GST exclusive) are available to industry, community, not-for-profit, local government and incorporated groups to host events that foster social connections and provide support during these times.

Events will provide a forum for affected community members to maintain community connections and/or build personal wellbeing and resilience skills. Examples of eligible activities include (but are not restricted to);

- Networking events
- Community festival
- Fundraising event
- Mental Health First Aid training
- Personal wellbeing and resilience activities.

Limitations

Eligible groups within South Australia include (but are not limited to):

- farmer groups, including Agricultural Bureau branches and farming systems groups
- industry organisations
- community groups such as agricultural show societies, progress associations, sports clubs, service clubs
- local government.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Mail, Email
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G17641/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G17641/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G17641/apply
Address: PIRSA Grant Management Team GPO Box 1671 Adelaide 5001 SA
Email: pirsa.grantsenquiries@sa.gov.au

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Deaf Connect Grants

Funding Provider
Deaf Connect

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G12389

Primary Category
Community development

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
Total Pool: $300,000

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Grants for community members of the Deaf community to achieve their goals, whether they be recreational, career-oriented or wellbeing focused.

Overview

Deaf Connect's Community Grants & Sponsorships Program is open to all Deaf, deaf-blind, hard of hearing community members and their allies, community groups and organisations.

Grant categories

Individuals and Groups

(BEST FOR DEAF COMMUNITY MEMBERS) The Individuals and Groups stream supports personal or community projects that can demonstrate value to the Deaf community as a whole.

Community Events

The Community Events stream provides funding or in-kind support to events delivered by or for the Deaf community, or events that want to improve their language access to be accessible to Deaf people.

Partnership Building

Partnership Building support is provided to organisations who wish to develop a long term association with Deaf Connect. Partnership arrangements will involve ongoing mutually beneficial support beyond a single project or event and will have the capacity to run over the longer term.

Service Growth

(AVAILABLE INTERNALLY TO DEAF CONNECT ONLY)

Through this category the grants program has proudly supported the development of a range of new service offerings and projects throughout Deaf Connect.

Limitations

Who can apply?

Deaf Connect Grants program is open to:

- All Deaf, deafblind, hard of hearing community members and their allies
- Community groups
- Organisations

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G12389/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G12389/apply
Website: https://deafconnect.org.au/contact-us **Email:** grants@deafsq.org.au **Phone:** 1800 893 855

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Derek's Place - Funeral or Memory Grant

Funding Provider
Derek's Place

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G12664

Primary Category
Community development

Eligible to
- Individual

Funding
$1,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Derek's Place offers grants of up to $1,000 to eligible families to assist with the cost of creating lasting memorable experiences or to ease the burden of funeral costs.

Overview

To be eligible for a Funeral or Memory Grant of up to $1,000, families must have a parent with a terminal illness and at least one child aged under 13. To complete the application form, you will need a letter from a treating doctor stating that the patient has a terminal illness and listing the names and ages of the children under 13.

Unless otherwise negotiated with Derek's Place, funds will be paid directly to service providers nominated by grant recipients.

Limitations

To be eligible for a Funeral or Memory Grant, families must have a parent with a terminal illness and at least one child aged under 13.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G12664/info
Email: info@dereksplace.org.au

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Digital Marketing Grants

Funding Provider
Little Phil Foundation

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G15832

Primary Category
Community development

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Unincorporated Assoc
- DGR Required

Funding
$30,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Little Phil Foundation has decided to assist Australian charities with two types of grants to aid with the transition to digital giving and increase supporter engagement.

Overview

The Nonprofit representative applies to the grant with a few simple questions. They do their eligibility research and reach out if they have any further questions. If approved the grant will typically cover an average of 30% of the cost of

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the procurement of the technology or solution, however the Little Phil Foundation may approve up to 50% in special circumstances. Note that these terms are subject to change and approval is at the sole discretion of the Little Phil Foundation.

Grant Option 1 - Digital Marketing and Fundraising Boost (Valued at up to $30,000) For organisations who are wishing to invest in building their digital supporters and preparing their organisation for the future of digital fundraising
Grant Option 2 - Digital Giving & Marketing DIY (Valued at up to $2,380) For organisations who are looking to adopt digital tools and technology that will assist their team and volunteers with implementing digital fundraising and marketing initiatives.

Limitations

Little Phil is on a mission to empower nonprofits around the globe, however this grant is available for those who meet the following criteria;

- Registered with the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission.
- Can afford the technology upfront and be reimbursed via the grant within 30 days of procurement.
- Operates efficiently to maximise impact.
- Inclusive of all individuals and community groups regardless of background, race, ethnicity, age, gender, religion, sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, disability, economic status and other diverse backgrounds.
- Looks to address at least 1 of the UN's 17 Sustainable Development Goals.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G15832/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G15832/apply
Email: gday@littlephil.org

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Direct Giving Progam

Funding Provider
The Hall Foundation

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G18817

Primary Category
Community development

Eligible to
Not-for-Profit
DGR Required

Funding
$2,500
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Direct Giving Program delivers targeted, practical financial relief to people experiencing immediate hardship across Australia. We work in close partnership with health professionals and community organisations to ensure support reaches those who need it most.

Overview

The Giving Program is currently closed and will reopen on Thursday, 29 January 2026.

Applications for up to $2,500 can be submitted by eligible representatives and, if approved, we fund the goods or services requested in the application via payment directly to the relevant supplier.

They focus on urgent, essential needs that maintain safety, security, and wellbeing. Typical requests include:

- Utility bills
- White goods
- Furniture
- Accessibility equipment
- Educational equipment
- Minor health-related expenses

They may consider the following in exceptional circumstances:

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- Rent assistance
- Accommodation for medical treatment
- Removalist costs
- Storage fees
- Forensic cleans
- Vehicle expenses

Each week applications are open from Thursdays at 09:30 (Sydney time) and close Tuesdays at 12:00 (Sydney time).

Limitations

The funder partners with trusted social workers, case managers or allied health professionals working in public health or registered organisations in community support settings. The program has two streams with specific eligibility for applicants:

1. Public Hospital and Health Setting Stream:

Public hospitals and community-based public health services across Australia are eligible and do not need to register with the funder before applying.

2. Community and Charity Stream:

The funder partners with community-based charities that can provide ongoing support to their clients. Your organisation is eligible if it:

1. Provides ongoing case management and support to clients,
2. Is an ACNC-registered charity with DGR Item 1 status. If your organisation hasn't partnered with the funder before, please email info@hallfoundation.org.au to request registration.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G18817/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G18817/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G18817/apply
Email: info@hallfoundation.org.au **Phone:** (02) 9127 3395

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Double the Goodness Grant

Funding Provider
Sponge Branding Agency

Location
Aus

Funding Type
In-kind Contribution U00197

Primary Category
Community development

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Business
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
$10,000
Total Pool: $20,000 (approx)

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Double the Goodness grant is an in kind contribution, for every dollar you invest in your branding or marketing services through Sponge Branding Agency, they double it, up to a maximum of $10,000.

Overview

The Sponge is a full service purposeful branding agency, with a digital tilt. They like to start with the heart of a brand, your purpose, impact and values, then work outward from that.

That usually flows in the following Impact Brand Story process:

- Defining your brand – Purpose, Values, Messaging etc
- Getting clear on your buyers – Persona Development
- Impact Model – How you do good in the world

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- Impact Brand Story – Connecting the dots between the the three in an authentic, compelling way which increases your impact and revenue
- Storytelling – Implementing your impact brand story through your brand collateral

Funding

Sponge Branding Agency launched this grant mid 2018, with the aim to give up to $20,000 a year in matching funds per year.

What do they look for?

Sponge Branding Agency will be looking to understand the following:

1. **Positive Impact**: if you are to succeed, how much difference will it make?
2. **Viability**: does what you propose make financial sense? Are we confident this is an impactful use of funds?
3. **Partnership Fit**: Are we a fit to work together? Can we have a truly collaborative working relationship?
4. **Passion**: Does what you propose spark the passion of our team? Is it something we align with in purpose and/or values? Will we have fun and feel energised working on it?
5. **Leadership Buy-in**: Is there complete buy in from your leadership team? What possible objections or rejections could be raised to the work produced?

Limitations

Payment terms

The total quoted amount reflects the actual value of the components, including the in kind service matching. Your actual investment will be 50% of this cost and will be invoiced accordingly.

50% deposit to commence, 25% at the 50% completion stage as determined by The Sponge, then balance on completion. Payment is required prior to release of the deliverables.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00197/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00197/apply
Phone: +617 3185 4070

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EastWeb Grants

Funding Provider
EastWeb Fund

Location
VIC

Funding Type
Cash Grant G00488

Primary Category
Community development

Eligible to
Not-for-Profit
DGR Required

Funding
Amount: $2,000 to $5,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

EastWeb Grants fund projects that build the capacity of communities to create long term strategies for change.

Overview

EastWeb gives small grants to projects within Victoria working with Indigenous, Asylum Seeker or Refugee communities in the areas of:

- health care;
- employment;
- education; and
- cultural heritage promotion and maintenance.

Grant size

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EastWeb make grants of between $2000 and $5000 four times a year.

Criteria

In 2024, EastWeb will be trialling some proactive granting, providing unrestricted organisational funding to organisations and groups that work in their focus areas.

Advisory Board members will be recommending and reviewing organisations to support.

To that end, if you are a DGR1 organisation (or can partner up with a DGR1 organisation) and work with First Nations people in Victoria, or refugees and asylum seekers in Victoria, send an email briefly introducing yourselves. If EastWeb think you're a good fit, they will be in touch to find out more about your organisation and what funding or other support you need.

They are especially keen to support organisations that are First Nations led, or refugee and asylum seeker led, and organisations that are youth-led.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Email
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G00488/info
Contact: EastWeb Fund
Email: eastwebadmin@gmail.com

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Empowering People Program

Funding Provider
P&N Bank

Location
WA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G10152

Primary Category
Community development

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
$15,000
Total Pool: $60,000 (approx)

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

This program helps empower individuals, couples and families who are in financial crisis or have basic needs that are not being met.

Overview

P&N Bank customers can nominate people in need or eligible not-for-profit organisations for consideration for funding support via the P&N Bank Empowerment Grants. The program is made up of two streams:

- **Empowering People:** Assisting and empowering Western Australians who are in financial crisis or have basic needs that are not being met.
- **Empowering Communities:** Assisting and empowering Western Australian not-for-profits striving for equity and those working in disability and accessibility; mental health; poverty and homelessness; and domestic violence.

P&N Bank customers can nominate people in need OR eligible not-for-profit organisations for consideration for funding support via *P&N Bank Empowerment Grants*.

Empowering People - see application form here

Formerly known as Helping &nds, this program helps empower individuals, couples and families who are in financial crisis or have basic needs that are not being met.

Nominees may be facing challenges, such as:

- Domestic and family violence
- Unexpected medical expenses after an illness diagnosis or accident
- Poverty and homelessness
- Facing financial disadvantage due to physical or mental health issues

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P&N Bank customers can nominate someone for financial assistance at any time of the year. The person you nominate to receive the support does not need to bank with us.

Empowering Communities - see application form here

This program provides funding to empower inclusive Western Australian charities and not-for-profits that strive for equity and give Western Australians facing major social issues helping hand. With a focus on:

- Diversity, equity and inclusion (e.g. gender equity, cultural equity, reconciliation, LGBTQIA+ support)
- Disability and accessibility
- Mental health
- Poverty and homelessness
- Domestic and family violence

Through our bi-annual funding rounds we assist WA not-for-profits doing great work empowering West Australians. Over the year, $60,000 in funding is available. P&N Bank customers are able to vote for shortlisted not-for-profits. Tallied votes will determine the funding the organisations will receive.

Limitations

- Anyone who has been a P&N Bank member for a minimum of 6 months can nominate in both categories.
- The individual or group you nominate does not have to be a member of P&N Bank.
- Applications for Individual/family nominations will be assessed by P&N Bank.
- Applications for Group Nominations will initially be assessed by P&N Bank quarterly, with our top ten deserving groups available for our members to vote on via the P&N Bank website.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G10152/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G10152/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G10152/apply
Phone: 13 25 77

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Energy Resilience Community Fund - Major Grants

Funding Provider
AusNet

Location
VIC

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19626

Primary Category
Community development

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Business
- Local Govt
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
Amount: $50,000 to $250,000

Rounds
Closes **30 Jan 2026**

Purpose

The Energy Resilience Community Fund (ERCF) provides grants to community and not-for-profit organisations, local councils and small businesses to help build and strengthen community energy resilience.

Overview

Funding may include:

- community hubs – ‘shower and power’ centres
- mobile assets that can be used in various locations – for example, mobile shower facilities or major generators powering sections of a main street
- community batteries that fit with our network considerations
- larger solar and storage solutions for single premises or facilities
- smaller scale generation and storage over multiple facilities, such as community organisations that support residents over several locations or buildings, or a small business wanting to support multiple members to become more energy resilient.

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Applying for a major grant is a two-stage process:

- Stage one - Initial proposals must undergo a technical review to ensure the project:
  - has been properly scoped and costed
  - is feasible and deliverable
  - has considered all technical requirements and electricity network considerations.
- Stage two – If we approve the initial proposal, we'll ask you to submit a full grant application.

Note: The revised closing date is 30 January 2026 at 5pm.

Limitations

Eligible organisations include:

- councils in our electricity distribution network for projects within our electricity distribution network
- small businesses and sole traders providing an essential service and/or acting as a resilience centre or hub for their local community during a severe weather event or prolonged power outage * Sole traders must have a valid ABN and an annual turnover of $10m or less
- community and charitable organisations including social enterprises
- community energy foundations
- applicants must be able to demonstrate the ability to deliver the project within the specified budget and timeframe
- organisations do not need to have DGR (Deductible Gift Recipient) or TCC (Tax Concession Charity) status to apply.
- if your organisation is not based in our electricity distribution network but delivers community energy resilience projects within our network, you may be eligible. Please speak with the ERCF manager before submitting an application.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19626/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19626/guidelines

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19626/apply
Email: ERCF@ausnetservices.com.au **Phone:** 0499 781 580

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Everyday Legal Grants

Funding Provider
Victoria Law Foundation

Location
VIC

Funding Type
Cash Grant G17993

Primary Category
Community development

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Local Govt
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
$10,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Everyday Legal Grants offer up to $10,000 to support civil legal projects helping community organisations develop legal information or legal education programs.

Overview

Everyday Legal Grants can be used to fund civil legal projects that:

- address a civil legal issue for a specific community, such as a resource or tool
- develop new approaches to community legal education
- deliver legal information or help to navigate the Victorian justice system.

Projects likely to be funded involve:

- one-off projects that address a legal issue fora specific community, such as development of a resource, tool or series of workshops.

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- pilot projects that offer new approaches to delivering legal information
- trialling a strategy to gain further insights in the delivery of legal information in a new way that could be replicated in other programs or services.

Funding: up to $10,000

Everyday Legal Grants are open from **1 July 2025 until funding is fully allocated**.

Limitations

Eligibility

Applications are open to:

- community legal organisations
- community organisations in partnership with a legal service.

We prioritise submissions from community legal organisations and other not-for-profit community organisations in partnership with a legal organisation.

Non-legal organisations are required to partner with an organisation with suitable legal expertise to ensure accurate legal information is provided to the intended audience.

We encourage partnerships between research organisations, courts, tribunals, statutory bodies and other community organisations to share knowledge, resources, provide guidance and expertise where there is shared interest.

We only fund organisations – individuals are not able to apply.

We focus on civil law and access to justice issues. We will consider work at the intersection of civil and criminal law, but we do not fund work exclusively on criminal law.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G17993/info

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G17993/apply
Website: https://www.victorialawfoundation.org.au/contact **Email:** grants@victorialawfoundation.org.au **Phone:** (03) 9604 8100

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Family Support Funding Program (FSFP)

Funding Provider
Department of Defence

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19732

Primary Category
Community development

Eligible to
Not-for-Profit

Funding
Amount: $20,000 to $200,000
Total Pool: $2,000,000

Rounds
Closes **31 Jan 2026**

Purpose

Through the Family Support Funding Program (FSFP) community organisations can apply for a grant to deliver support and services of value to Defence families and the community they live in.

Overview

In 2025-2027 FSFP will prioritise activities that drive progress under the Defence and Veteran and Family Wellbeing Strategy 2025 -2030 and/or the Defence Strategy for Preventing and Responding to Family and Domestic Violence 2023-2028, namely:

1. Informed engagement: families can find the information they need when they need it, so they can access available supports and make informed decisions.

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2. Supported and secure: any impacts of service and related life events are managed, through appropriate and flexible, fit for purpose policies, support, and communication.
3. Recognised and understood: there is a continued commitment to understand the needs of families, and improve policies through engagement, research and evaluation
4. Contribution to the broader community's effort in preventing family and domestic violence by promoting an understanding and awareness of family and domestic violence.

Supporting projects with positive outcomes leads to a strengthened, inclusive and socially connected Defence community as it manages the military way of life.

Projects should provide a range of high-quality and cost-effective services that link Defence families into the local community, with the potential to develop new services in response to their changing community needs. Successful recipients of an FSFP grant can include but are not limited to running events, programs and services, be a base for outreach and referral point for families to other local services, have strong working relationships with other local community services and deliver projects to help Defence communities connect and thrive.

The Australian Government has announced a total of $2 million per Financial Year for the FSFP grant funding.

The grant opportunity will run from 2 December 2025 to 31 January 2026.

The minimum grant amount is $20,000.

The maximum grant amount is $200,000.

FSFP funds are paid as a lump sum and are not indexed over the course of a Financial Year

Limitations

To be eligible you must:

- be an Australian not-for-profit organisation whose work supports families and/or communities within Australia
- be registered with the Australian Securities and Investment Cooperation or incorporated under the relevant State or Territory legislation. All charities must be registered with the Australian Charities and Not for Profit Commission have an Australian Business Number (ABN)
- have been operating for 12 months or longer
- have an account with an Australian financial institution
- be a legal entity with the capacity to enter into a legally binding agreement or contract
- Be compliant with all Defence grant reporting and acquittal requirements from any previous funding rounds

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Email
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19732/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19732/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19732/apply
Address: Defence Community Organisation FSFP Community Grants PO Box 7921 Canberra 2610 ACT
Email: defence.communitygrants@defence.gov.au **Phone:** 1800 624 608

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Farm Household Allowance Program

Funding Provider
Services Australia

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G09430

Primary Category
Community development

Eligible to
- Individual
- Business

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Farm Household Allowance Program provides farming families experiencing financial hardship with assistance through planning and training for long-term financial improvements as well as income support for up to 4 years.

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Overview

Farm household allowance (FHA) provides assistance to farming families experiencing financial hardship. This program focuses on helping farmers make important decisions to improve their long-term financial situation.

The support available includes:

- a fortnightly payment for up to 4 years in each specific 10-year period
- individual case support with a farm household case officer
- up to $10,000 in activity supplements that gives farmers an opportunity to develop skills, access training and pay for professional advice to better manage their business into the future.

The amount of FHA payable depends on your individual circumstances.

Limitations

Eligibility

To be eligible, you must:

- be a farmer or the partner of a farmer
- meet the income and assets test
- contribute labour and capital to an Australian farm, or are the partner of a farmer who does
- meet residency rules
- have had less than 4 years of FHA in the specific 10-year period.

Additionally, your farm must have significant commercial purpose. This is assessed based on:

- the purpose of your farm
- the potential profitability
- consistency of activity
- whether your farm is operated as a business
- the size, scale and permanency of your farm activity.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G09430/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G09430/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G09430/apply
Phone: 13 23 16

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Funding for charitable organisations

Funding Provider
Australian Communities Foundation

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G06224

Primary Category
Community development

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
Amount: Unknown
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Australian Communities Foundation supports a range of charitable organisations and projects each year.

Overview

As a public ancillary fund, Australian Communities Foundation represents subfunds, each with their own funding priorities and interests. The Foundation's donors are part of an engaged community of individuals, families, corporate giving groups, location-based giving circles and like-minded groups.

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As part of their donor engagement, ACF hosts a Funding Proposal Portal that allows their Donor community to identify grant opportunities aligned with their interests.

You are welcome to submit a proposal to the Funding Proposal Portal in line with the parameters set out on their website. Please read all the information in full before submitting a proposal or contacting the Grants Team.

Limitations

Please see individual organisations for grant guidelines.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G06224/info
Email: grants@communityfoundation.org.au **Phone:** (03) 9412 0412

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General Giving Grant

Funding Provider
June Canavan Foundation

Location
VIC, QLD

Funding Type
Cash Grant G12318

Primary Category
Community development

Eligible to
Not-for-Profit
DGR Required

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The June Canavan Foundation supports projects that create sustainable outcomes and allow people to help themselves in accordance with the principle of ‘a hand up, not a hand out’.

Overview

The focus areas for The June Canavan Foundation are:

- Sport
- Education
- Health
- Conservation

The JCF can also play a valuable role in growing the philanthropic sector, and in being a model and inspiration for other small to medium scale foundations. On this basis, a fifth focus area was added:

- Growing Giving

What size grants are available?

There is no set grant size, however our distributions include small grants and donations (generally $1,000 -$20,000) and large grants (generally $20,000 -$50,000). Favourable consideration will be given to funding multi-year proposals with annual review.

When can you apply?

There is no set application period. You may submit an application for funding at any time, however applications will only be considered twice yearly at bi-annual Board meetings, usually held in March and September. The cut-off date for having your application considered at the March meeting is 1 February, and for consideration at the September meeting is 1 August. Application cut-off dates may occasionally vary due to fluctuations in meeting dates, and these will be highlighted on the current application form.

Limitations

Who is eligible?

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The June Canavan Foundation has been established as a Private Ancillary Fund, which means that we can only distribute money to organisations that are endorsed by the Australian Taxation Office (ATO) as having Item 1 Deductible Gift Recipient (DGR) and Tax Concession Charity status.

We are unable to fund individuals.

Funding Benefits geographical communites which include:

- Sunshine Coast
- North East Victoria

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G12318/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G12318/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G12318/apply
Contact: Anne Gripper
Phone: 0409 813 260

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General Grant Enquiries

Funding Provider
Scanlon Foundation

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G18057

Primary Category
Community development

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Scanlon Foundation funds projects and initiatives that contribute to social cohesion across Australia. They support initiatives that enhance their vision and mission.

Overview

The Scanlon Foundation's mission is to work with communities, systems and institutions to support those who come to make Australia home. They celebrate our collective strengths and address those barriers that stand in the way of allowing everyone to contribute and participate fully in Australian life.

The Scanlon Foundation welcome grant proposals that align with our core purpose to work with systems and institutions to support people who migrate to Australia and make it their home.

Our priority is to provide direct-to-community support by funding capacity building initiatives and community created innovations or models.

They also welcome proposals that support migrants and multicultural communities to participate in and contribute to life in regional/rural areas across Australia.

Limitations

This is an Australia-wide open grant round and is available to any community organisations, associations or groups that are actively working in this space.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G18057/info
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G18057/apply
Email: foundation@scanlonfoundation.org.au

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GrainCorp Sponsorships

Funding Provider
GrainCorp

Location
VIC, NSW, QLD

Funding Type
In-kind Contribution U00416

Primary Category
Community development

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- School
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

GrainCorp's sponsorships program is designed to specifically support regional sporting clubs and community events to ensure social inclusion and positive health outcomes for our employees, customers, and broader communities.

Overview

Sponsorships are awarded as a financial contribution, in exchange for promotion of the GrainCorp brand or services. Applications will be accepted any time as it is open year-round.

Sponsorships available:

- Community events
- Sporting club and leagues

Limitations

To be eligible for sponsorship, applications must address the following guiding principles:

- Applications must be for a sporting club or community event located within an area where GrainCorp operates or region linked to grain growing activities;
- Applications must contain activation plans that recognise GrainCorp's support;
- Where possible, applications may provide engagement opportunities for GrainCorp employees; and
- Applications must align with at least one of GrainCorp's Community Foundation Pillars (refer to page 2 of the guidelines)

Every application will be assessed on the principles above, to determine whether it is a strategic fit with GrainCorp's business and broader community program. Applications must be submitted via the online portal to be considered. GrainCorp no longer accepts applications submitted over email, post or telephone.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00416/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00416/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00416/apply
Email: kyle.docherty@graincorp.com.au **Phone:** 0438 032 347

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Harcourts Foundation Grants

Funding Provider
Harcourts Foundation

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G07264

Primary Category
Community development

Eligible to
Not-for-Profit
DGR Required

Funding
$5,000 (approx)
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The purpose of the Harcourts Foundation is to provide support that helps, grows, and enriches the communities in which they operate.

Overview

Harcourts Foundation's purpose is “To provide support that helps, grows, and enriches our communities”, they have a clear focus on providing grants to reputable community-based charitable organisations which need funding for projects and initiatives designed to benefit as many people as possible.

- Because most of the funding for The Harcourts Foundation is generously provided by Harcourts offices, they will only consider applications from groups for a specific event, project, item, or initiative where Harcourts has an office.
- Priority is also given to those areas where the Harcourts office is currently a financial contributor to The Harcourts Foundation (Note: many of the offices fund and support a huge range of community initiatives through their own offices as well as through The Harcourts Foundation).
- In the event that funder receives more applications that meet the criteria than they have funds available, they will prioritise those applicants which demonstrate their grant will have the widest community impact.

All applications are to be received by the end date of each round noted below:

- Grant Round 68 - 4 November 2025 to 3 February 2026
- Grant Round 69 - 4 February 2026 to 3 May 2026
- Grant Round 70 - 4 May 2026 to 3 August 2026
- Grant Round 71 - 4 August 2026 to 3 November 2026

Limitations

Under the terms of the Trust Deed of The Harcourts Foundation and Australian taxation laws, The Harcourts Foundation can only make grants to organisations with BOTH Deductible Gift Recipient (DGR) and Tax Concession Charity (TCC) status. Accordingly, please ensure that your organization has BOTH DGR and TCC status before completing an application. (The Australian Government's Australian Business Register Online (abr.business.gov.au) enables you to search your organisation's name or ABN to see whether it is endorsed as a DGR and TCC.) Special note re DGR Status: Your organisation must be EITHER endorsed as a DGR by the Australian Tax Office (ATO) or must be specifically named in the Income Tax Assessment Act 1977 as being a DGR.

Further guidelines:

- Grant applications must be for a specific event, project, item, or initiative.
- Requests for the event, project, item, or initiative must be scheduled to occur within four months of the upcoming Grant decision meeting date (meetings are held in the month following the end of the quarter).
- Grants will not be given for items already purchased or events/initiatives/projects already held.
- If the Grant is not used for the purpose for which it was applied, they will request that you return it so they can provide it to another deserving group.
- They may ask for supporting documents such as quotes, references etc.
- If you are a branch of an organisation where another branch has been successful in achieving a Grant from us in the past, this does not mean you automatically qualify for a Grant. Each application will be considered independently based on funds available and circumstances at the time.
- If you are successful, please do not apply within the next 18 months, as they would like to assist other organisations.
- You may apply as a national or regional organisation, however your application must be for a specific community event, project, item, or initiative that fits the criteria.

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Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G07264/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G07264/apply
Contact: Emma Maloney **Address:** Harcourts Finance, Harcourts Foundation 31 Amy Johnson Place Eagle Farm 4009 QLD
Email: australia@harcourtsfoundation.org **Phone:** 07 3839 3100

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Hardship Utility Grant Scheme (HUGS)

Funding Provider
Department of Communities (WA)

Location
WA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G08386

Primary Category
Community development

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$1,060
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Hardship Utility Grant Scheme (HUGS) assists Western Australian utility customers who are in financial hardship and are unable to pay their utility bills. The purpose of HUGS is to assist customers in financial hardship with their connection to essential services.

Overview

A key principle of HUGS is that customers and utility providers share responsibility for managing situations of initial payment difficulty and financial hardship. They must work together to develop manageable payment arrangements, which will provide the greatest assistance to customers, with the expressed purpose of avoiding disconnection and preventing debt escalation.

Utility Provider Contact Details

Please contact your relevant utility provider to discuss your options to stay connected.

- **AGL:** 13 12 45
- **Alinta Energy:** 13 13 58
- **Aqwest:** (08) 9780 9500
- **Busselton Water** (08) 9781 0500
- **Horizon Power:** 1800 267 926
- **Kleenheat:** 13 21 80
- **Origin:** 13 24 61
- **Simply Energy:** 1800 094 121
- **Synergy:** 13 13 53
- **Water Corporation:** 13 13 85

If you require further assistance please contact the National Debt Helpline on 1800 007 007.

How much help can I apply for?

If you live south of the 26th parallel (south of Denham), you may be eligible for **up to $640** per financial year.

If you live north of the 26th parallel (north of and including Denham), you may be eligible for **up to $1,060** per financial year.

The amount of financial assistance through a HUGS grant must not exceed 85% of the amount outstanding on your utility account.

If you have complied with a 90-day payment arrangement with your utility provider, your utility provider has the option to recommend an additional HUGS amount of up to $50 **if** the equivalent amount is waived from your outstanding debt. This

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can only be recommended at the discretion of the utility providers, is only available once per household per financial year, and the additional amount cannot put your account balance into credit.

Limitations

Eligibility

You may be eligible if your utility provider assesses you as being in the following situation:

- you contact your utility provider to discuss your outstanding debt and you are assessed by your utility provider as being in financial hardship and not in payment difficulty;
- you have exhausted all your options with the utility provider and enter into a payment arrangement for at least 180 days to address the outstanding debt; and
- after completion of the payment arrangement, if your outstanding bill is still more than $300.

When I am not eligible to apply for HUGS?

Not all residential customers are eligible for HUGS, you may not be eligible if:

- You do not reside at the supply address;
- You have used all your grant limit for the financial year;
- You are assessed as not being in financial hardship;
- You are a customer with bottled gas;
- For Water Corporation, Busselton Water and Aquest customers, HUGS is only available for the owner-occupiers of residential properties; or
- You live in an Aboriginal community and have your water managed by the Water Corporation.

Transfer debt that is older than 12 months is not eligible from the date of the HUGS application. For example, debt that has been transferred when you moved residential address, or where you have legally consented to accepted debt from another account holder onto your account.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Phone
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G08386/info
Contact: Manager Concessions **Address:** Department of Communities Locked Bag 3 Perth 6849 WA
Email: hugs@communities.wa.gov.au

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Healthy Partnership Program - over $5000

Funding Provider
Healthway

Location
WA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G12223

Primary Category
Community development

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Business

Funding
Amount: $5,000 to Undisclosed
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The aim of the over $5,000 Healthy Partnership funding is to support sport, arts, racing and community groups to create environments that encourage good health now and into the future.

Overview

As part of the application process for over $5,000 funding, you will be required to develop and submit a Health Promotion Plan. This is an opportunity to identify what you think will work best in achieving better health outcomes within your community.

Healthway has designed a Best Practice Guide, Health Promotion Plan template, Healthy Partnership toolkit, case studies and instructional videos to assist. Applications must be received through our online application portal **at least five (5) calendar months** prior to the commencement of the project.

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The objectives of our over $5,000 Healthy Partnership Program are to:

- Educate and raise awareness about good health to support healthy choices
- Create healthy environments within organisations and venues
- Reduce the promotion of unhealthy messages or brands which do not align with good health
- Provide opportunities for participation in healthy activities particularly among Healthway's priority populations
- Build the capacity of organisations and the community to advocate for health promoting culture, norms and practices

Please note: From 1 July 2024, they will not generally fund stand-alone community, arts or sporting events.

Before applying, all applicants are encouraged to contact Healthway's Healthy Partnership Team on 133 777 or email healthway@healthway.wa.gov.au.

Limitations

Who is eligible?

Eligible organisations are defined as:

- Sporting organisations involved in a recognised sport or active recreation that can deliver health promotion outcomes
- Arts organisations involved in arts and cultural programs or activities that can deliver health promotion outcomes
- Racing organisations involved in motor car or motorcycle racing that can deliver health promotion outcomes
- Community events that can deliver health promotion outcomes through events can provide broad community participation
- Community organisations delivering health promotion outcomes through sport, recreation, arts, cultural, or racing programs, activities or facilities.

In addition, to be eligible for funding you must:

- Be an incorporated association, company, statutory body or trust
- Be ABN registered or provide an ATO 'Statement by Supplier' form
- Fulfil all previous acquittal requirements for Healthway funded programs
- Maintain a general public liability insurance policy of at least $10,000,000 for the term of the partnership
- Have appropriate Health and Safety and Risk Management policies and practices in place to deliver the project
- Comply with all State and Commonwealth Laws which apply to the project
- Not accept or have accepted any form of funding from tobacco companies or their related foundations, either directly or indirectly.

Ineligible costs

Funding from Healthway cannot be used for:

- Camps, conferences, uniforms and club owned playing equipment;
- Capital works, equipment, fundraising, purchase of infrastructure or costs associated with running an organisation;
- Boxing or any activity that allows the deliberate targeting of the head within the rules;
- The advancement or promotion of a religion or religious outlook or the recruitment of people to a religion;
- The advancement or promotion of a political organisation or political outlook;
- School activities that form part of the core curriculum and activities organised by school P&Cs;
- Overseas/interstate travel and tours, or activity occurring outside WA; and
- Auspiced funding arrangements.

Requirements for funding

Aligned to our vision of a healthy WA, to be eligible for over $5,000 Healthy Partnership funding, organisations must meet the below requirements:

1. Legally execute a Partnership Program Agreement (Agreement) that formally describes the responsibilities of the recipient of any funding from Healthway. Please review the Agreement template on our website.
2. Meet the conditions outlined in our Minimum Health Requirements Policy for all activities – These are minimum requirements of our Healthy Partnership grants.
3. Comply with our Co-Supporters Policy – There is an expectation that organisations seeking funding from Healthway are committed to achieving good health. Healthway will generally not provide any funding to organisations that have arrangements (direct or indirect) with cosupporters resulting in the promotion of unhealthy brands or messages.
4. Comply with our Healthy Food and Drink Provision Policy where applicable – Healthway requires organisations to increase healthy food and drink choices at funded events by creating settings that encourage healthy eating.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G12223/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G12223/guidelines

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Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G12223/apply
Email: healthway@healthway.wa.gov.au **Phone:** 133 777

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Healthy Partnership Program - up to $5000

Funding Provider
Healthway

Location
WA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G12222

Primary Category
Community development

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Business

Funding
$5,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The aim of the up to $5,000 Healthy Partnership program is to support sport, arts, racing and community groups to create healthy environments for our community.

Overview

Through the Healthy Partnership Program they provide funding to sport, arts, racing and community groups to create healthier communities that encourage good health now and into the future.

The Healthy Partnership Program is focused on organisations collaborating with Healthway to develop their application. In working together, we hope to combine expertise from across sport, arts, racing and community sectors with Healthway's knowledge of effective health promotion strategies to achieve health outcomes that benefit the broader community.

Requests must be received at least four (4) calendar months prior to the commencement of the project.

Please note: From 1 July 2024, they will not generally fund stand-alone community, arts or sporting events.

We encourage you to contact Healthway to discuss your application.

Limitations

Who is eligible?

Eligible organisations are defined as:

- Sporting organisations involved in a recognised sport or active recreation that can deliver health promotion outcomes
- Arts organisations involved in arts and cultural programs or activities that can deliver health promotion outcomes
- Racing organisations involved in motor car or motorcycle racing that can deliver health promotion outcomes
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- Maintain a general public liability insurance policy of at least $10,000,000 for the term of the partnership
- Have appropriate Health and Safety and Risk Management policies and practices in place to deliver the project
- Comply with all State and Commonwealth Laws which apply to the project
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- Camps, conferences, uniforms and club owned playing equipment;
- Capital works, equipment, fundraising, purchase of infrastructure or costs associated with running an organisation;
- Boxing or any activity that allows the deliberate targeting of the head within the rules;
- The advancement or promotion of a religion or religious outlook or the recruitment of people to a religion;
- The advancement or promotion of a political organisation or political outlook;
- School activities that form part of the core curriculum and activities organised by school P&Cs;
- Overseas/interstate travel and tours, or activity occurring outside WA; and
- Auspiced funding arrangements.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G12222/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G12222/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G12222/apply
Email: healthway@healthway.wa.gov.au **Phone:** 133 777

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IGA Community Chest

Funding Provider
Independent Grocers of Australia (IGA)

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G08360

Primary Category
Community development

Eligible to
Not-for-Profit

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Through IGA Community Chest and associated programs, well over $80m has been raised to help local communities.

Overview

IGA Community Chest raises funds to support local communities, charities and other worthwhile causes. It could be in response to a major event like floods or bush fires or something as simple as new soccer balls for the local under 8's.

The money is raised in a number of ways but predominately through the purchase of products with an IGA Community Chest logo on the label or ticket.

When you purchase a product with the IGA Community Chest logo printed on the label a percentage is credited to that store's IGA Community Chest account.

In most states IGA Community Chest beneficiary cheques are distributed throughout the year, meaning you can apply at any time.

How are IGA Community Chest beneficiaries chosen?

There is a tiered system for choosing beneficiaries.

- For local activities the beneficiaries are chosen by the local stores
- Regional activities they are chosen by the region or group of stores
- State beneficiaries are chosen in consultation with the State Executive and Board.

Here is a couple of tips on becoming an IGA Community Chest beneficiary:

- It is best to approach your local IGA store directly. Prepare a pitch and it may include:
    - An overview of your organisation and/or the individual that you'd like supported;
    - What support are you looking for – monies, donations of goods, providing team jumpers, holding regular fundraising at the store, group registrations at the store, etc;
    - How the donation will be used and your timing.
    - Is there anything you can offer in return to IGA?

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- Don’t forget to include your contact details.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Email, Phone
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G08360/info

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Individual grants

Funding Provider
City of Whittlesea

Location
Whittlesea

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19015

Primary Category
Community development

Eligible to
- Individual
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
$1,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **30 Apr 2026 midnight**

Purpose

Individual grants allow artists, sports people, environmental champions and emerging leaders an opportunity to elevate their interests and participation through this grant stream.

Overview

Do you need studio space? Are you representing your sport at the state or national level? Is there something you'd like to do to improve the environment in your area? Or do you want to get accreditation to complement your leadership in the community? Then consider applying for an Individual Grant.

Eligible items:

- Creative costs or expenses
- Registration fees
- Course fees delivered by a Registered Training Organisation
- Travel and accommodation - up to $500 per application
- Clothing or uniforms, up to $250 per application
- Materials and equipment, up to $500 per application

Limitations

Eligibility

- All applicants must apply at least two months prior their activity start date to allow for grant assessment and processing time. For example, if you require the grant for attendance to a leadership workshop in October, you must apply by at least the close of the August round.
- One successful application per individual per financial year.
- Parents/guardians must apply for individuals under 18 years old

Additional eligibility by category:

- Arts and culture
    - Creative performers, artists
- Community leadership
    - Attending leadership development opportunities to support their community
- Sports and recreation competitions
    - Individuals of representing at the State or National level in a sporting competition or
    - Enabling increased participation and access to local sporting clubs registered the City of Whittlesea, to support people with accessible barriers (for example, people with disability and or experiencing financial hardship).
- Sustainable environment initiatives
    - All individuals.

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Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19015/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19015/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19015/apply
Email: community.grants@whittlesea.vic.gov.au **Phone:** (03) 9217 2170

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Inland Rail Community Grants Program

Funding Provider
ARTC Inland Rail

Location
Cootamundra-Gundagai
Lockhart
Greater Hume Shire
Junee
Wangaratta
Strathbogie
Weddin
Parkes
Wagga Wagga
Temora
Benalla
Mitchell
Hilltops
Albury
Indigo
Forbes
Wodonga
Bland

Funding Type
Cash Grant G11587

Primary Category
Community development

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Local Govt
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
Amount: $1,000 to $4,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Funding will be available to short-term projects and activities that contribute to local and regional prosperity, wellbeing and sustainability, such as upgrading community facilities and equipment, implementing unique STEM projects in schools, mentoring and developing local business communities, and hosting community events.

Overview

The Inland Rail's Community Grants Program supports community-initiated projects, events or activities, which:

- are one-off and short-term
- contribute to the community's wellbeing, prosperity and/or sustainability
- focus on one or more of Inland Rail's priority areas of culture, safety, environment, recreation and, entrepreneurism
- align with the core values of Inland Rail which are future thinking, active engagement, no harm, results
- are delivered into the eligible communities on the Inland Rail alignment between Beveridge (VIC) and Parkes (NSW).

Funding amounts

Eligible organisations can apply for amounts between $1,000 and $4,000.

There will be four rounds per calendar year:

Round opens	Round closes
1 February	30 April
1 May	31 July

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1 August	31 October
1 November	31 January

Application forms must be sent to IRcommunitygrants@inlandrail.com.au (a signed, scanned copy of the application form) by 6:00pm on the due date.

Limitations

Eligibility requirements

Eligibility includes:

- organisations and community groups which are not-for-profit, legal entities which hold a current ABN
- non-incorporated community groups and clubs must be auspiced by an eligible organisation which is nominated as the legal entity on the application form
- Aboriginal Land Councils and Traditional Owner Groups in the Beveridge to Parkes alignment area
- local government entities in the Beveridge to Parkes alignment area
- organisations and community groups must be located in the eligible local government areas (nominated by Inland Rail Pty Ltd) with priority likely to be given to communities nearest the Inland Rail alignment
- applications must be made in full, be signed by an office holder of the organisation or community group and submitted by the closing date for the relevant round
- projects must be one-off, short-term activities that relate to identified priority areas and contribute to their community's wellbeing, prosperity and sustainability.

What is not eligible:

- religious, political, private individual or business events and activities
- organisations or community groups not aligned with Inland Rail values or have direct links to tobacco, illegal drugs, negative impacts on health or associated with risk-taking activities
- requests for prize money, ongoing or retrospective activities, or to cover costs associated with making an application.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Email
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G11587/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G11587/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G11587/apply
Email: IRcommunitygrants@inlandrail.com.au

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John Villiers Trust Grants

Funding Provider
The John Villiers Trust

Location
QLD

Funding Type
Cash Grant G07465

Primary Category
Community development

Eligible to
Not-for-Profit
DGR Required

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The John Villiers Trust provides grants to projects that aim to improve the lives of children and youth living within rural regional and remote Queensland.

Overview

The Trust's granting is aligned to two key strategic goals;

- Partnerships – Build partnerships and engage in collaborations to leverage our resources.
- Communities – Build strategic relationships with communities founded in our values of respect. integrity, transparency and collaboration.

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The John Villiers Trust has implemented a two-stage application process. The first step of which is to submit a brief Expression of Interest form (EOI), and if successful, a more comprehensive Grant Application by invitation.

The Board may, in its discretion, invite organisations to submit an EOI or Grant Application.

EOIs may be lodged at any time. Those wishing to apply to the Trust under the EOI process **must** contact the Trust's office via the Contact Us page on their website to discuss the proposal, eligibility requirements and timeframes.

Limitations

To be eligible to apply to The John Villiers Trust your organisation must be one of the following categories as defined by the Australian Taxation Office:

- Charity
- Charitable Institution
- Public Benevolent Institution
- Health promotion Charity

AND have Deductible Gift Recipient Status (DGR) under Item 1. We consider that you meet this criteria if your organisation has both DGR status under items 1 & 4.

Further they require eligible applicants to be registered with the Australian Charities and Not-for-Profits Commission (ACNC) and for reporting requirements to the ACNC to be up to date.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G07465/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G07465/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G07465/apply
Contact: The John Villiers Trust **Address:** 1H, 24 Macquarie Street Teneriffe 4005 Qld
Email: grants@jvtrust.org.au **Phone:** 07 3102 9588

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Joint Procurement Funded Support

Funding Provider
NSW Environment Protection Authority (EPA)

Location
NSW

Funding Type
Cash Grant G14214

Primary Category
Community development

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Local Govt

Funding
$500,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Joint Procurement Funded Support provides tailored advice and assistance to councils and regional waste groups exploring and undertaking the joint procurement of waste management services and/or waste infrastructure.

Overview

The joint procurement facilitation service was developed to:

- Ensure councils have access to value for money waste services
- Support the move to a circular economy through the delivery of strategic waste services and infrastructure.

Applicants will be able to access up to $500,000 per project through 2 funding streams to support both the planning and sourcing phases of waste management service procurement.

- Stream 1: Plan - minimum grants $10,000 up to $250,000 - see application form here
- Stream 2: Source - minimum grants $50,000 up to $500,000 - see application form here

This program is Open - ongoing until June 2027 or until funds run out. All projects must be completed by June 2027.

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Application intake dates:

Applications will be assessed quarterly. Please make sure your application is submitted before the closing date.
2025/2026 closing dates:

- Monday 1 September 2025
- Monday 1 December 2025
- Monday 9 March 2026
- Monday 8 June 2026
- Monday 7 September 2026
- Monday 7 December 2026

Limitations

Eligible organisations

Funded support is available to the following eligible organisations:

- All NSW councils*
- Regional Organisations of Councils (ROCs)
- Regional Waste Groups
- Joint Organisations (JOs)
- Voluntary Regional Waste Groups

* NSW councils remain eligible if they partner with councils outside of NSW.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G14214/info
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G14214/apply
Email: joint.procurement@epa.nsw.gov.au

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Large grants

Funding Provider
City of Whittlesea

Location
Whittlesea

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19017

Primary Category
Community development

Eligible to
- School
- Not-for-Profit
- University
- Business

Funding
$40,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **30 Apr 2026 midnight**

Purpose

The large grants offer supports to social enterprises, not-for-profit community groups, organisations and businesses to undertake activities that have a broad community benefit.

Overview

Eligible applicants are encouraged to apply for grants to deliver projects and events that have a broad community benefit in line with the Whittlesea 2040 vision:

- Connected Community through:
    - a. social cohesion
    - b. physical activity
    - c. safety in public areas and
    - d. civic participation
- Liveable Neighbourhoods:
    - a. use of town centres
    - b. access to services and facilities

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- Strong Local Economy:
    - a. increased local employment
    - b. education opportunities for all
    - c. successful and innovative local businesses
- Sustainable Environment:
    - a. valued natural landscapes and biodiversity
    - b. climate ready
    - c. leaders in clean, sustainable living
- High Performing Organisation
    - a. driving better community outcomes.

Small grants have three sub-categories; projects, events and/or festivals and building projects or capital works.

Limitations

Eligible groups or entities:

- be a registered not-for-profit classified by the Australian Tax Office
- be an incorporated group with evidence of incorporated association number,
- be a social enterprise, business or
- be a school or university.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19017/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19017/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19017/apply
Email: community.grants@whittlesea.vic.gov.au **Phone:** (03) 9217 2170

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Local Heroes - 2026

Funding Provider
Westfield

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19378

Primary Category
Community development

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
Amount: $5,000 to $20,000
Total Pool: $1,250,000

Rounds
Closes **12 Mar 2026 7pm AEDT**

Purpose

Westfield Local Heroes is a recognition and awards program that shines the spotlight on individuals in Australia and New Zealand who make a positive impact to their local community or environment.

Overview

Each year up to, up to $AUD1.25 million in 2025 is provided in community grants by Scentre Group, owner of Westfield destinations in Australia and New Zealand. Community members nominate their heroes and the funder selects three finalists for each Westfield destination to go through to the community vote. The successful hero for each of our 42 Westfield destinations is awarded a $20,000 grant for the organisation or group they represent, and each finalist receives a $5,000 grant for their organisation or group.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19378/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19378/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19378/apply
Email: westfieldlocalheroes@scentregroup.com

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Look Over the Farm Gate - Community Grants

Funding Provider
National Centre for Farmer Health

Location
VIC

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19683

Primary Category
Community development

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Business
- Local Govt
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
Amount: $1,500 to $5,000

Rounds
Opens **2 Feb 2026**

Purpose

This grants program empowers local organisations to deliver events and initiatives tailored to their unique needs.

Overview

The focus is on activities that support mental wellbeing and bring people together whether through capacity-building initiatives or other creative ideas, reflecting the diversity of the communities they serve.

Applicants should be able to demonstrate how the proposed activity will support mental health and wellbeing. Events should aim to engage a significant number of community members. A minimum of 15 attendees is suggested.

Activities must be held by 30 June 2026.

For events of particularly high impact, grants over $5,000 may be considered, please contact the funder to discuss your proposal.

Limitations

Applicants must be a member of the agriculture industry or farming community or be able to demonstrate current links to a local farming community through activities such as supply and services, community support, healthcare providers. (Essential)

Eligible applicants include, but are not limited to:

- Community or farmer groups
- Sporting clubs
- Volunteer organisations
- Service providers
- Incorporated bodies
- Private businesses
- Local government organisations
- Healthcare providers.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19683/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19683/guidelines
Email: lotfg@wdhs.net **Phone:** 03 5551 8533

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Lotterywest Grants

Funding Provider
LotteryWest

Location
WA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G09599

Primary Category
Community development

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Local Govt
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
Amount: $3,000 to $15,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Lotterywest support local and community initiatives. Lotterywest also work with communities and sectors that are developing solutions to help achieve a deeper, wider impact, or that will leave a lasting and significant community legacy.

Overview

Grants can be used to support income-generating activities if they are working towards an outcome in the Community Investment Framework and have a clear public benefit. All profits must be directed towards achieving the Community Investment Framework outcome.

There are a few constraints to what we support.

Exclusions

- Projects taking place outside Western Australia
- Retrospective, contingency or on-going operational costs
- Religious activities (although welfare and community service activities of faith-based groups can be funded)
- Competitive sporting activities
- Projects or initiatives that could/should be funded through contractual or individualised Government funding arrangements
- Replacement of assets previously funded with a Lotterywest grant
- From 1 January 2024, applications that do not reflect, or are contrary to, Lotterywest's Good Practice Requirements cannot be supported.

In addition, given Lotterywest's significant annual statutory allocation to the Department of Health and the Department's Future Health Research and Innovation Fund, support for medical and health research and its translation and/or dissemination will not be provided through Lotterywest's direct grants budget.

Grant limits

- The minimum grant request is $3,000
- Maximum $15,000 for organisations not registered for GST or that are unincorporated (unless auspiced by an eligible organisation)
- Otherwise there is no upper grant limit. Grants should be reasonable and represent value for money
- Lotterywest is a complementary grant-maker and expects others will contribute appropriately to the cost of initiatives (financially and/or in kind)
- The GST component of items purchased by the grant is not supported.

Limitations

Eligibility

You are an eligible organisation if you're:

- a not-for-profit organisation (i.e. none of the profits go to owners or shareholders); or
- a local government authority.

Smaller not-for-profits may prefer to be auspiced by an eligible organisation. Contact us for more information if you are considering this approach.

Your organisation also needs to:

- be an Australian entity and operating within Western Australia;
- not be operating on behalf of the State or Federal Government;
- have the authority to undertake the proposed grant activities; or

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- have an organisational structure that does not allow for the distribution of profit or personal gain during operation and/or in the event of wind up.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G09599/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G09599/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G09599/apply
Website: https://www.lotterywest.wa.gov.au/get-in-touch **Email:** grants@lotterywest.wa.gov.au **Phone:** 133 777

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MRC Foundation Support

Funding Provider
Melbourne Racing Club

Location
VIC

Funding Type
Cash Grant G07352

Primary Category
Community development

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
$5,000 (approx)
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The MRC Foundation is the philanthropic arm of the Melbourne Racing Club, and provides a centralised, coordinated approach to our charitable giving and community support.

Overview

The MRC Foundation provides funding and support to charitable organisations, not for profits, community groups and fundraising events through the donation of funds and in-kind support.

Charitable organisations can also partner with the MRC Foundation in the delivery of annual fundraising events and campaigns including the gala, pin and win campaign and charity race day.

Applications must meet MRC Foundation eligibility criteria and align with one of the key focus areas of support:

- Charity
    - To support local charitable organisations with a focus on enhancing people's health and alleviating disadvantage.
- Community
    - To support local community organisations through in-kind donations.
- Racing Participants
    - To fund programs and initiatives that have a positive impact on racing participant education, health and wellbeing.
- Equine Welfare
    - To support community and industry initiatives that address and improve equine welfare.

Charity funding

The MRC Foundation can assist charity partners with grants valued at up to $5,000. Please note that any funding amount or combined in-kind donation amounts (ie. cash + voucher) above $5000 will require board approval. For any requests over $5000 further information will be requested directly including recent financial records.

In-kind Fundraising Support

The MRC Foundation is able to provide in-kind fundraising support to both not for profit charitable organisations and local community groups (ie sporting clubs, schools, and community clubs). This includes a range of dining experiences and event ticketing that can be utilised for fundraising initiatives.

Limitations

Successful applications must meet MRC Foundation eligibility criteria including:

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- Be an Australian registered charity with tax deductible gift recipient status - (Eligible for charitable funding applications and in-kind fundraising support).
- Be a not-for-profit community-based organisation (Eligible for in-kind fundraising support only).
- Provide services that align with one or more of the MRC Foundation key focus areas of support - Equine Welfare, Charity, Racing Participants, Community Groups.
- Operate within or provide services to the communities served by the Melbourne Racing Club (Caulfield, Mornington, Sandown and PLG Venues).
- Be able to clearly outline how the funding or in-kind support will be utilised and the impact it will have in the community.
- Be able to provide, upon request, an annual report and/or recent financial records demonstrating the viability and financial status of the organisation seeking funds.
- Be able to report back on the outcomes of the initiative/program being funded.
- Preference is given to charitable organisations with revenue under $10 million dollars per annum.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G07352/info
Email: contact@mrc.net.au **Phone:** 1300 467 223

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Masonic Grants

Funding Provider
Freemasons Foundation Victoria

Location
VIC

Funding Type
Cash Grant G11069

Primary Category
Community development

Eligible to
Not-for-Profit

Funding
$10,000

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Freemasons Foundation Victoria will assist Masonic Orders whenever possible, in their philanthropic activities within their local community in the areas of Health & Medical Research, Community Development, Education, Youth Development Programs and Indigenous Programs.

Overview

Masonic Orders:

- Craft Lodges warranted and on the register of the United Grand Lodge of Victoria.
- Mark Lodges warranted and on the register of United Grand Lodge of Mark Master Masons of Victoria.
- Chapters warranted and on the register of Supreme Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Victoria.

Application Guidelines:

- There is a maximum of $10,000 available from FFV per Lodge per year.
- Funds raised by your Lodge could be matched on a 1 to 4 basis.
- The Foundation will not fund a project designed to benefit an individual or a family and does not support general fundraising appeals.
- Copy of minutes showing the amount being contributed and the amount requesting from the Foundation must be attached to the application.
- The Foundation reserves the right to decline an application or vary the amount applied for in accordance with the Foundations policies and guidelines.
- Current quotations must be attached to the application for any equipment purchase.
- Projects already completed, repayment of cost already incurred and the advancement of sport, recreation or social activities are not considered charitable by the Australian Tax Office and are regrettably unable to be supported within this specific program.
- FFV Masonic Grants open in July and close 31st May.

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Limitations

Please ensure that your cause is a not-for-profit organisation.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G11069/info
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G11069/apply
Email: enquiries@freemasonsfoundation.org **Phone:** (03) 8535 4780

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Mayor's Discretionary Events

Funding Provider
Cassowary Coast Regional Council

Location
Cassowary Coast

Funding Type
Cash Grant G18444

Primary Category
Community development

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
$1,200
Total Pool: $10,000

Rounds
Closes **30 May 2026**

Purpose

This fund provides up to $1,200 in assistance for emergent costs associated with community events or spontaneous projects that arise outside of regular grant cycles.

Overview

- Available year-round until funds are fully expended
- Events must be public, family-friendly, inclusive, and located within the region
- Not available for projects already funded through the Community Grants Program in the same financial year

Limitations

Eligibility

General eligibility requirements include:

- Operating within Cassowary Coast regional boundaries.
- Free of debt with the Cassowary Coast Regional Council, be financially viable.
- Have a bank account in the name of the legal entity.
- Be an incorporated not for profit organisation, or be sponsored by an incorporated organisation and have a valid public liability certificate (excluding Youth Assistance).
- Ability to obtain appropriate permits.

Ineligible items

- Business/commercial ventures
- Items or projects that are the core business or responsibility of a Government department
- Retrospective funding
- Payment of a debt
- On-going recurrent expenses i.e., rent, rates, wages, insurance
- Items such as uniforms, promotional items or merchandise

Ineligible organisations

- Government or semi-government organisations i.e., private hospitals, aged care facilities
- Public and private educational institutions Note: Schools may be eligible for RADF funding
- Unions and student guilds
- Community churches (for capital works only, which includes extensions, landscaping, building maintenance

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- Research foundations and trusts
- Professional associations
- For profit entities

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G18444/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G18444/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G18444/apply
Email: shared.communityrelationsandservices@ccrc.qld.gov.au **Phone:** 1300 763 903

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Mazda Foundation Grants

Funding Provider
Mazda Foundation

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G00599

Primary Category
Community development

Eligible to
Not-for-Profit
DGR Required

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Mazda Foundation supports a broad range of charitable projects with assistance and funding.

Overview

Mazda Foundation are dedicated to enriching Australian communities. Fostering a spirit of community involvement, the foundation supports a broad range of charitable projects with assistance and funding.

The Mazda Foundation aims to provide financial aid for community advancement, such as the improvement of education and employment skills, development of technology and the protection of the environment.

The Mazda Foundation's aims and objectives include (but are not limited to) the provision of financial aid to funds, authorities and institutions which qualify for income tax deductibility for gifts and which provide:

- assistance to young people through education and employment skills development, with particular emphasis on children from disadvantaged backgrounds. assistance in the advancement of education and achievement of excellence at all levels in the community.
- assistance in the development of technology, to help improve Australia's international competitiveness. assistance towards the maintenance and improvement of the natural environment.
- assistance to address community needs identified by the Mazda Foundation from time to time.
- assistance in research, feasibility, surveys and other background work in relation to any of the above aims and objectives.
- Substantial contributions to the Mazda Foundation have been made by Mazda Motor Corporation, Japan and Mazda Australia. Further contributions continue to be made by Mazda Australia, supported by the Mazda Dealer Network.

Any Project Notification received by the Foundation will be considered at the Foundation's Board meetings held in April and October. As such Project Notifications must be submitted for notification by 31 March and 30 September. The Foundation's Board meets approximately four times per year, and accordingly a period of some months may elapse between lodgement of a Project Notification and it being selected for funding.

Limitations

If lodging a Project Notification form, please note that:

- the project must fall within the Foundation's nominated priority area;
- the organisation must be an eligible recipient under the Income Tax Assessment Act;
- the project must be consistent with the broader aims and objectives of the Foundation (published on this website); and

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- all areas of the attached form must be completed.

The Foundation does not fund overseas projects/trips.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G00599/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G00599/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G00599/apply
Contact: Mazda Foundation
Email: info@mazdafoundation.org.au **Phone:** (03) 8540 1800

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Medium grants

Funding Provider
City of Whittlesea

Location
Whittlesea

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19014

Primary Category
Community development

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- School
- University
- Business

Funding
$20,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **30 Apr 2026**

Purpose

The medium grants offer supports to social enterprises, not-for-profit community groups, organisations and businesses to undertake activities that have a broad community benefit.

Overview

Eligible applicants are encouraged to apply for grants to deliver projects and events that have a broad community benefit in line with the Whittlesea 2040 vision:

- Connected Community through:
    - a. social cohesion
    - b. physical activity
    - c. safety in public areas and
    - d. civic participation
- Liveable Neighbourhoods:
    - a. use of town centres
    - b. access to services and facilities
- Strong Local Economy:
    - a. increased local employment
    - b. education opportunities for all
    - c. successful and innovative local businesses
- Sustainable Environment:
    - a. valued natural landscapes and biodiversity
    - b. climate ready
    - c. leaders in clean, sustainable living
- High Performing Organisation
    - a. driving better community outcomes.

Medium grants have three sub-categories; projects, events and/or festivals and building projects or capital works.

Limitations

Eligible groups or entities:

- be a registered not-for-profit classified by the Australian Tax Office
- be an incorporated group with evidence of incorporated association number,
- be a social enterprise, business or

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- be a school or university.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19014/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19014/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19014/apply
Email: community.grants@whittlesea.vic.gov.au **Phone:** (03) 9217 2170

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Mortgage Relief Loan

Funding Provider
Department of Housing and Public Works (QLD)

Location
QLD

Funding Type
Low Or No-interest Loan G05522

Primary Category
Community development

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$20,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

This loan provides short-term help to people who are having difficulties with their home loan repayments. These difficulties may be from unemployment, accident, illness or some other crisis.

Overview

The loan is interest free with no application fees or ongoing charges.

You can borrow up to $20,000, which you repay over 10 years (in addition to your home loan repayments). Repayments are assessed according to your individual circumstances.

We secure the loan by taking a registered mortgage over your home. This legal document gives a lender enforcement rights against a property to recover a loan (i.e. they can sell things you own to pay back the debt).

Note: A mortgage relief loan gives only short-term help. If you're experiencing long-term financial problems, you should seek help from a financial counsellor.

How we provide assistance

We pay the loan directly to your home lender or local council (if applicable).

You can use the loan to clear home loan arrears and council rate arrears, and subsidise your home loan repayments for up to 6 months.

While receiving mortgage relief, you need to meet a portion of your home loan repayments or, in some cases, the full repayment. When you receive the loan, contact your home loan lender to find out how much you need to pay.

If you sell your home, or refinance or renegotiate your loan, you must repay the Mortgage Relief Loan in full at that time.

Limitations

To be eligible for this loan, you must:

- be in financial hardship and in danger of losing your home
- demonstrate that you've exhausted all other options, including deferring or restructuring loan payments with your current lender
- be a permanent Queensland resident
- have enough equity in your home to provide security for the loan
- have a mortgage of less than $500,000
- be an owner–occupier wanting to maintain ownership
- not own or part-own any other real estate

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- demonstrate that the unforeseen change in circumstances has caused your home loan repayments to exceed 30% of your gross household income
- show that you've taken all reasonable steps to meet your liabilities, and that you've been making home loan repayments of more than 30% of your gross household income
- provide written authorisation for your home lender and other creditors to disclose information about your financial affairs to us. This authority continues until you repay the Mortgage Relief Loan.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Mail, Email
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G05522/info
Email: hscsloaninformation@housing.qld.gov.au **Phone:** 1300 654 322

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Multicultural Community Festivals Small Grants Program

Funding Provider
Department of Premier and Cabinet (TAS)

Location
TAS

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19812

Primary Category
Community development

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Local Govt
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
Amount: $500 to $5,000
Total Pool: $40,000

Rounds
Closes **11 Mar 2026 2pm**

Purpose

The 2025-26 Grants Program provides total funding of $40,000 to support new and emerging culturally and linguistically diverse communities to hold events in Tasmania that celebrate significant cultural traditions and bring people together to celebrate diversity.

Overview

Eligible applicants under the 2025-26 Grants Program should demonstrate how their event will achieve the following outcomes:

- Bring Tasmanians together to celebrate the cultures of our diverse communities and share traditions
- Increase understanding of the diverse cultures within the Tasmanian community
- Promote social cohesion.

Eligible applicants can apply for funding between $500 to $5,000.

If your organisation is eligible and has multiple eligible events, you can submit a separate application for each project.

Grant funding can be used for eligible direct costs of your event. Community organisations and local councils are encouraged to discuss event details before applying.

Limitations

Eligible organisations include:

- A local government authority (council).
- An incorporated not-for-profit organisation.
- A not-for-profit company registered under company law.
- Unincorporated organisations may be considered, however an Auspicing arrangement is preferred (see below for further information).

Applicants must:

- Have public liability insurance (a copy of your current public liability insurance cover must be included with the application).
- Hold a currently active Australian Business Number (ABN) or, if eligible, provide a Statement by Supplier Form from the Australian Tax Office (ATO).

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Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19812/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19812/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19812/apply
Email: grants@dpac.tas.gov.au **Phone:** 1800 204 224

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National Pies for Local Heroes Grant

Funding Provider
Tasmanian Bakeries

Location
TAS

Funding Type
Cash Grant G14368

Primary Category
Community development

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
$10,000
Total Pool: $22,000

Rounds
Closes **31 Mar 2026**

Last Round
Closed **31 Jan 2025**

Purpose

Apply now for a grant of up to $10k to support your local sporting club, community group or not-for-profit organisation.

Overview

Any registered Australian community group, sporting club or not-for-profit organisation can apply. Applications for both the $1,000 monthly grants and the $10,000 grant open at 12:00am on 1 February, 2025. The first round of monthly grants closes 11:59pm on 31 March, 2025.

Applications for subsequent rounds of monthly grants will close at 11:59pm on the last day of each corresponding month. All applications that have been received up to this time will be considered for both the monthly $1,000 grant with the exception of groups and organisations who have already been awarded a $1,000 grant.

The $10,000 grant will be selected from all grant applications received from 12:00am on 1 February, 2025 through to 11:59 on 31 March, 2026. The final round of monthly grants and the bonus grant will be decided by 14 April, 2026.

Whether you need new boots for your footy club, art supplies for your painting group, a special trip funded, or something else entirely – tell us how we can help!

Limitations

Registered Australian-based community groups and associations, sporting teams and organisations, and not-for-profit entities are eligible to apply.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G14368/info
Email: competitions@tasmanianbakeries.com.au

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No Interest Loans - Vehicles

Funding Provider
Good Shepherd Australia New Zealand

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Low Or No-interest Loan U00265

Primary Category
Community development

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$5,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Good Shepherd Australia New Zealand provide No Interest Loans (NILs) for individuals and families on low incomes with access to safe, fair and affordable credit.

Overview

No interest and no charges, EVER

Car has finally packed it in but you can't survive without it? Don't have the cash to replace it? Before you turn to a high interest lender, consider NILs for your next vehicle purchase.

Unexpected expenses are bound to pop up from time to time. NILs help you manage your money and you only pay back what you borrow, nothing more.

How does NILS work?

Submit your invoice and NILs will pay the cost of the vehicle straight to the supplier / vendor. Loans cannot be used for cash, bills or debts.

How much can I borrow?

Borrow up to **$5000** for the purchase of a vehicle linked to day-to-day essential use – a car, scooter, motorcycle or mobility scooter. (Not: Note available for e-scooters)

Limitations

You are eligible if:

- Earn less than $70,000 annual income (before tax) as a single person or $100,000 annual income (before tax) if you have a partner or children
- OR Have experienced family or domestic violence in the last 10 years
- OR Have a Health Care Card / Pension Card
- AND You can show you can afford to repay the loan

To find out if you are eligible to apply for a No Interest Vehicle Loan call 1300 645 748.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Phone
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00265/info
Phone: 1300 645 748

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Northern Territory Men's Places Grants Program

Funding Provider
Department of People, Sport and Culture (NT)

Location
NT

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19628

Primary Category
Community development

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Business
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
$20,000
Total Pool: $200,000

Rounds
Closes **1 Mar 2026 1:30 PM (ACST)**

Purpose

The Northern Territory Gender Equality Action Plan 2022-2025 identifies five focus areas to reduce gender based disadvantages and create greater opportunities for all Territorians, where everyone is treated with dignity, respect and fairness and where everyone has a voice.

Overview

There are a number of actions in the Action Plan that seek to improve the lives of Northern Territory men such as:

- Supporting events and activities that provide opportunities for greater social connection and positive mental health outcomes for women and girls, men and boys and gender-diverse Territorians.
- Partnering with organisations and communities to develop resources and health information that considers gender and encourages health seeking behaviours – including mental health.
- Promoting positive male role models, positive fathering and grandfathering to celebrate the positive impact of men on their families and communities.

To support Men's Places the Northern Territory Government will provide $100,000 per annum to support Men's Places Grants of up to $10,000 per applicant, to support a range of activities such as information sessions, skills development, health and wellbeing programs, education and peer to peer support programs, parenting programs, and equipment.

Limitations

To be eligible for funding an organisation must

- be physically located and actively operating in the NT. If your organisation is physically located and actively operating outside of the NT you must partner with an NT organisation
- have met acquittal requirements for all previous funding (this grant) and complied with all other accountability requirements
- have met acquittal requirements for previous grants from this department and complied with all other accountability requirements
- have met acquittal requirements for all previous Northern Territory Government grants and complied with all other accountability requirements
- have adequately demonstrated that the grant will not duplicate funding already provided under this or other Northern Territory Government funding sources
- have completed all required information in the application form and submitted required documentation in support of your application
- have an Australian Business Number (ABN) or, if you do not have an ABN, have a completed Statement by a Supplier form (available from the Australia Taxation Office (ATO) website)
- have public liability insurance of at least $10 million
- be registered for Goods and Services Tax if your organisation earns $75,000 or more per year

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19628/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19628/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19628/apply
Email: DPSC.OGED@nt.gov.au **Phone:** 08 8999 8879

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Not for profit water and sewerage rebate

Funding Provider
State Revenue Office Victoria

Location
VIC

Funding Type
Rebate U00131

Primary Category
Community development

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
$260
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The annual water and sewerage rebate is up to $260 a year on the fixed service charge component of water bills.

Overview

What is the rebate scheme?

The State Government funds a rebate of up to $260 a year to eligible community service organisations on the fixed service charge component of their water bill issued by their water authority.

A rebate will be allowed to eligible organisations for individual properties, provided the predominant activity at the property falls within one of these categories. This will apply whether the organisation owns the property or not. Rebates may also be available to individuals provided they are the owners of the property used predominantly by an eligible organisation.

Applying for the rebate

The application is completed online. You must then download the completed form, sign it, and submit it directly to the water authority responsible for servicing the property for which you are seeking the rebate.

Once your organisation has been certified as eligible, the appropriate rebate will be allowed each year. It is not necessary to re-apply.

The organisation receiving the rebate is responsible for notifying us if the predominant activity on the property changes. Periodic checks are made to ensure the continuing eligibility of the organisation.

Limitations

Who is eligible?

Eligible charitable purposes include services provided in the following fields:

- youth,
- education,
- religious activities,
- community,
- animal welfare,
- hospital care, and
- aged care.

What properties are eligible?

To be eligible, the property must be 'predominantly used' for one of the following purposes:

- By a charitable organisation for charitable purposes.
- By a not-for-profit organisation providing or promoting outdoor sporting, recreational, cultural or other similar outdoor activities for such purposes
- By a war veterans' organisation.
- By a public statutory body such as for a public open space or park.

'Predominantly used' means that, with permission from the property owner, an eligible organisation uses more than 50% of the property, or uses the property for more than 50% of the time, to pursue their objectives.

A rebate may apply even if your organisation doesn't own the property. Individuals may also receive the rebate if they own a property predominantly used by an eligible organisation.

Your organisation is responsible for notifying your water authority if the predominant activity on the property changes. Periodic checks are made to ensure continuing eligibility.

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Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Mail, Email, Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00131/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00131/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00131/apply
Phone: 13 21 61

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One-off Assistance grants

Funding Providers
Events Tasmania
Department of State Growth (TAS)

Location
TAS

Funding Type
Cash Grant G11732

Primary Category
Community development

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Business
- Local Govt
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
$20,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

One-off Assistance grants are available to promote winter events in regional Tasmania, increase through the non-peak tourist season, and assist to grow event expertise skills and capacity in regional Tasmania.

Overview

One-off Assistance grants of up to $20 000 are available to promote the number of winter events in regional Tasmania, increasing visitors and local community engagement through the non-peak tourist season, and assisting to grow event expertise skills and capacity in regional Tasmania.

Note: Please be advised all applicants are required to make contact with Events Tasmania on 03 6165 5022 or info@eventstasmania.com to discuss their application.

Limitations

Eligibility

Grants are available to eligible events that:

- are held outside Greater Hobart
- are held outside of the peak tourism season (winter and shoulder periods are a priority)
- deliver substantial benefits to regional Tasmania
- attract mass local community attendance, at least 5 000 intrastate visitors or at least 800 interstate visitors
- have secured significant independent funding sources.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G11732/info
Email: info@eventstasmania.com **Phone:** 03 6165 5022

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Partnerships and donations

Funding Provider
TasNetworks

Location
TAS

Funding Type
Cash Grant G06817

Primary Category
Community development

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
Amount: $0 to Undisclosed
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

They provide funding to like-minded, community-based organisations to deliver an initiative that'll make a tangible, long-term difference to the Tasmanian community.

Overview

Ambition is at the core of their Community Investment Framework, which has been designed to focus on achieving shared value outcomes that address social and environmental issues in our community.

Focus Areas are:

- Life on Land
- Building Resilient Communities
- Clean and Affordable Energy

Proposals that are considered:

- Create a meaningful difference in the Tasmanian community in at least one of our focus areas. View our Community Investment Toolkit for more information on our focus areas.
- Deliver tangible, long-term benefits as a direct result of the partnership
- Are consistent with our unwavering commitment to safety and the environment
- Are innovative and show thought leadership
- Directly support an Australian registered charity, or not-for-profit organisation
- Support our purpose of powering a bright future.

Limitations

We won’t support:

- Any initiative , or organisation without a presence in Tasmania
- Proposals relating to sponsorship of activities outside of Tasmania
- Commercial projects, events, enterprises or individuals
- Provision of free or discounted electricity, electrical infrastructure, equipment or any other core product
- Any initiative involving high levels of risk or with poor safety or environmental performance
- Any project, event or organisation that could be considered inconsistent with our purpose, vision or role in the Tasmanian community
- Overtly political or religious organisations

They receive many requests a year and are unable to accept all requests, even if they meet our assessment guidelines.

Along with the above criteria, we consider a number of internal factors when reviewing applications, including the resources required to deliver the partnership, opportunities for community engagement, alignment with business priorities and the compatibility of other funding partners.

We carefully assess each request against our criteria and it can take up to 4 weeks for us to process your application and get back to you. If we need more detail about your proposal, we’ll contact you using the information you provide

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G06817/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G06817/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G06817/apply

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Permit/Plug/Play Program

Funding Provider
Transport for NSW

Location
NSW

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19724

Primary Category
Community development

Eligible to
Local Govt

Funding
$500,000
Total Pool: $10,000,000

Rounds
Closes **30 Jan 2026 5pm**

Purpose

Funding of up to $500,000 for councils to streamline approval processes and internal workflows and invest in enabling place infrastructure to reduce the cost and complexity of delivering street-based events.

Overview

The Permit/Plug/Play Program (the Program) is a $10 million grant initiative that will provide successful council applicants with up to $500,000 in funding to reduce the cost and complexity of delivering street-based activations by streamlining approval processes and internal workflows and investing in enabling place infrastructure.

The Program objectives are to:

- Reform internal workflows to streamline required approvals for temporary road closure enabled events.
- Reduce the cost of delivering street-based events and temporary road closures for event proponents.
- Focus investment on strategic locations for maximum impact.
- Support collaborative engagement with community and event proponents to improve communication and processes for street-based event delivery.
- Deliver enhanced cultural, economic, and social benefits through street-based events.

Limitations

Applications are open to all NSW councils, the Lord Howe Island Board, and the Unincorporated Far West Region to apply for funding.

Eligible applicants are invited to submit one application for funding up to $500,000 (no GST payable).

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19724/info

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19724/apply
Email: revitalisation@transport.nsw.gov.au

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Place Activation Grant

Funding Provider
Nillumbik Shire Council

Location
Nillumbik

Funding Type
Cash Grant G18259

Primary Category
Community development

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Business
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
$4,500
Total Pool: $20,000

Rounds
Closes **31 May 2026**

Purpose

Placemaking Grants aim to assist individuals and groups with the delivery of placemaking activities in Nillumbik.

Overview

Grants of up to $4,500 from a pool of $20,000 are available to assist with the delivery of placemaking activities in Nillumbik.

The objectives of this grant are to support and encourage placemaking activities that:

- drive a strong social impact for the community
- improve the physical environment of the area
- support new activities in a public space and demonstrates public value
- support low cost, innovative place activations that encourage improvements to local townships
- enhance a sense of belonging, identify and purpose within community
- bring tourism and economic benefit
- demonstrate broad community connectivity and participation
- contribute to the health and wellbeing of the community
- provide options for accessibility and consider inclusion within the community
- demonstrate environmental practices and initiatives
- deliver successful, safe and compliant activities.

Limitations

Eligibility

To be eligible for consideration, applicants **MUST**:

- be a not-for-profit incorporated organisation that lives, works, studies, volunteers or plays in Nillumbik (or be auspiced by a not-for-profit incorporated organisation if applicants are unincorporated, an individual or a local commercial business)
- hold a minimum of $10 million public liability insurance
- have satisfactorily acquitted all outstanding grants previously awarded by Nillumbik Shire Council.

Funds must be spent by 1 June 2026.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G18259/info

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G18259/apply
Email: grants@nillumbik.vic.gov.au

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Rapid Response Grants

Funding Provider
Fairfield City Council

Location
Fairfield

Funding Type
Cash Grant G09670

Primary Category
Community development

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
$4,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Rapid Response grants are for emerging needs that require a quick response.

Overview

Rapid Response grants are for emerging needs that require a quick response.

It's important to speak to Council's Community Projects and Partnerships Officer - Community Safety and Impact at clubgrants@fairfieldcity.nsw.gov.au A link to the funding application will then be provided.

Open: All year round

Limitations

Eligibility

Who is eligible?

- Applicants must be an incorporated not-for-profit organisation based and operating within the Fairfield Local.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Email, Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G09670/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G09670/guidelines
Email: clubgrants@fairfieldcity.nsw.gov.au **Phone:** 9725 0222

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Regional Economic Development (RED) Grants - Gascoyne

Funding Providers
Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development (WA)
Gascoyne Development Commission

Location
WA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19425

Primary Category
Community development

Eligible to
- TAFE
- Not-for-Profit
- University
- Business
- Local Govt

Funding
$250,000
Total Pool: $5,000,000

Rounds
Closes **9 Jan 2026**

Purpose

The Regional Economic Development Grants (RED Grants) program is a State Government initiative that is investing $55.85 million over nine years in locally driven projects to stimulate economic growth and development in regional Western Australia.

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Overview

Delivered locally by the State's nine Regional Development Commissions, up to $250,000 is available for individual projects that contribute to increasing or sustaining jobs, expanding or diversifying industry, developing skills or capability, increasing business productivity and attracting new investment to the regions.

The grants will boost investment in local regional projects that contribute to population and economic growth initiatives and innovation pilots, and importantly, are driven by the community.

The RED Grants for the Gascoyne are delivered by the Gascoyne Development Commission with support from the Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development (DPIRD).

Limitations

Eligibility

To be eligible for RED Grant funding an applicant must:

- be a legal entity capable of entering into a legally binding and enforceable financial assistance agreement (Grant Agreement) with the Western Australian State Government;
- have an Australian Business Number (ABN);
- have an account with an authorised deposit-taking institution (an Australian financial institution or bank) registered with the Australian Prudential Regulation Authority.

Who is not eligible?

You are not eligible to apply if you are:

- A State or Federal Government Agency.
- Government Trading Enterprise (GTE)
- School;
- Hospital.
- A Trustee that is not empowered through the Trust Deed to enter into an agreement with the State Government to receive funding.

What is not eligible?

Items or activities that are not eligible for funding include:

- Retrospective payments or expenditure incurred prior to execution of a RED Grants funding agreement.
- Ongoing costs incurred after the initiative is completed (e.g. operating and maintenance costs).
- Existing staff salaries for core business activities.
- Operational overheads (such as rent, insurance, telephone etc.).

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19425/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19425/guidelines

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19425/apply
Email: courtney.whitehead@gdc.wa.gov.au **Phone:** 0467 905 262

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Regional Economic Development (RED) Grants - Wheatbelt

Funding Providers
Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development (WA)
Wheatbelt Development Commission (WA)

Location
WA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19421

Primary Category
Community development

Eligible to
- TAFE
- Not-for-Profit
- University
- Local Govt
- Business

Funding
$150,000
Total Pool: $5,000,000

Rounds
Closes **9 Jan 2026**

Purpose

The RED Grants Program provides funding to support locally driven projects that will contribute to economic growth in regional communities.

Overview

The nine Regional Development Commissions (RDCs) will deliver and implement funding rounds for the RED Grants Program within their region. The Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development (DPIRD) will oversee delivery of the overall Program.

The RED Grants Program provides funding to support locally driven projects that will contribute to economic growth in regional communities.

The objectives of the RED Grants Program include:

- sustainable jobs;
- expanding or diversifying industry;
- developing skills or capabilities;
- attracting new investment in the region;
- increasing productivity

Eligible applicants can apply for up to $150,000 for individual projects.

Limitations

Eligibility

To be eligible for RED Grant funding an applicant must:

- be a legal entity capable of entering into a legally binding and enforceable financial assistance agreement (Grant Agreement) with the Western Australian State Government;
- have an Australian Business Number (ABN);
- have an account with an authorised deposit-taking institution (an Australian financial institution or bank) registered with the Australian Prudential Regulation Authority.

Who is not eligible?

You are not eligible to apply if you are:

- A State or Federal Government Agency.
- Government Trading Enterprise (GTE)
- School;
- Hospital.
- A Trustee that is not empowered through the Trust Deed to enter into an agreement with the State Government to receive funding.

What is not eligible?

Items or activities that are not eligible for funding include:

- Retrospective payments or expenditure incurred prior to execution of a RED Grants funding agreement.
- Ongoing costs incurred after the initiative is completed (e.g. operating and maintenance costs).
- Existing staff salaries for core business activities.

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- Operational overheads (such as rent, insurance, telephone etc.).

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19421/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19421/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19421/apply
Email: grants@wheatbelt.wa.gov.au **Phone:** (08) 9622 7222

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Regional Precincts and Partnerships Program (rPPP) - Stream One: Precinct Development and Planning

Funding Provider
Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communications, Sport and the Arts

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G13362

Primary Category
Community development

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- University
- State Govt
- Local Govt

Funding
Amount: $500,000 to $5,000,000
Total Pool: $80,000,000

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The rPPP Precinct development and planning offers grants up to $5 million to develop a precinct idea through to investment-ready stage in partnership with local stakeholders to benefit regional communities.

Overview

The program will run over 3 years from 2023-24 to 2025-26. It will focus on a partnership approach, bringing together governments and communities to plan and deliver regional precincts that are tailored to local needs and have a shared vision in how the precinct connects to the region. Partners can be from government, First Nations groups, community organisations, regional universities or private enterprise.

Regional precincts or ‘places with a purpose’ are user-defined geographic areas with a specific shared need or theme. Regional precincts may include business districts, neighbourhoods, activity centres, commercial hubs or community and recreational areas. They will be located in renewal areas and growth areas in regional centres, regional corridors, regional cities, as well as smaller town centres that serve as service hubs in more remote communities.

There are two streams of the regional Precincts and Partnerships Program which are delivered as two separate grant opportunities:

- **Stream one - Precinct development and planning: to activate partnerships and to deliver an investment-ready precinct plan**
- Stream two - Precinct delivery: to deliver a specified project or projects as part of a precinct.

The objective of stream one is to activate partnerships to jointly deliver precinct plans.

The intended outcomes of stream one are to:

- establish partnerships comprised of relevant government entities, community organisations and businesses that have a shared vision for a regional precinct
- deliver precinct plans that are tailored to their local contexts and based on community feedback and engagement
- support precinct plans to become investment ready
- contribute to the Australian Government’s current policy priorities, including but not limited to Closing the Gap, transition to a net zero economy, Australia’s emission reduction goals, social and affordable housing, and National Cultural Policy.

What do you get?

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Grants of between $500,000 and $5 million.

Who is this for?

State and Territory governments, local governments, regional universities, not-for-profit organisations, including indigenous organisations.

You can use this grant funding to cover costs incurred that are directly related to your agreed project including:

- partnership establishment and operational costs
- labour expenditure and on-costs
- contract expenditure
- travel expenditure.

Limitations

You can apply if you:

- have an Australian business number (ABN) or Office of the Registrar of Indigenous Organisations (ORIC) registration

and are one of the following entity types:

- an Australian State/Territory Government agency or body
- an Australian local government agency or body
- a Regional University which may be for-profit
- an incorporated not-for-profit organisation. As a not-for-profit organisation you must demonstrate your not-for-profit status through one of the following:
    - current Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission's (ACNC) registration
    - state or territory incorporated association status
    - constitutional documents and/or Articles of Association that demonstrate the not-for-profit character of the organisation.

You can't apply if you are:

- an organisation, or your project partner is an organisation, included on the National Redress Scheme's list of Institutions that have not joined or signified their intent to join the Scheme
- an employer of 100 or more employees that has not complied with the Workplace Gender Equality Act (2012)
- a for-profit organisation (unless you are a regional university)
- any organisation that is not included in section 4.1 of the Guidelines.

Your project must:

- be in regional, rural or remote location, delineated as entirely outside the Australian Bureau of Statistics' Greater Capital City Statistical Areas (GCCSA) - see the mapping tool on the Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communications and the Arts website
- be aimed at delivering a precinct plan that is tailored to local contexts and based on community feedback and engagement
- be aimed at establishing partnerships comprised of relevant government entities, community organisations and businesses that have a shared vision for a regional precinct
- not have received Commonwealth funding to undertake the same activities
- have a minimum expenditure of $500,000.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G13362/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G13362/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G13362/apply
Email: RegionalPrecincts@industry.gov.au **Phone:** 13 28 46

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Regional Precincts and Partnerships Program (rPPP) - Stream Two: Precinct delivery

Funding Provider
Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communications, Sport and the Arts

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G13361

Primary Category
Community development

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- University
- State Govt
- Local Govt

Funding
Amount: $5,000,000 to $50,000,000
Total Pool: $320,000,000

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The rPPP Precinct delivery grant offers grants up to $50 million to deliver infrastructure projects within regional precincts in partnership with local stakeholders to benefit regional communities.

Overview

The program will run over 4 years from 2023-24 to 2026-27. It requires a partnership approach to deliver investment in regional Australia. It will bring together governments and communities to plan and deliver multi-purpose regional precincts that are place-based, tailored to local needs and have a shared vision in how that precinct connects to the region. Partners can be from government, First Nations groups, community organisations, regional universities or private enterprise.

Regional precincts or ‘places with a purpose’ are user-defined geographic areas with a specific shared need or theme. Regional precincts may include business districts, neighbourhoods, activity centres, commercial hubs or community and recreational areas. They will be located in renewal areas and growth areas in regional centres, regional corridors, regional cities, as well as smaller town centres that serve as service hubs in more remote communities.

There are two streams of the regional Precincts and Partnerships Program which are delivered as two grant opportunities:

- Stream one - Precinct development and planning: to activate partnerships and to deliver an investment- ready precinct plan
- **Stream two - Precinct delivery: to deliver a specified project or projects as part of a precinct.**

The objective of stream two is to work with partners to support the delivery of precincts that will provide targeted benefits related to productivity, equity, and resilience for regional, rural and remote areas across Australia.

The intended outcomes of stream two are to:

- deliver project/s that form part of a precinct or foundational infrastructure that activates a precinct
- develop and deliver regional precincts comprised of multiple infrastructure components, which provide benefits related to productivity, equity and resilience
- contribute to the Australian Government’s current policy priorities, including but not limited to Closing the Gap, transition to a net zero economy, Australia’s emission reduction goals, social and affordable housing, and National Cultural Policy.

What do you get?

Grants of between $5 million to $50 million.

Who is this for?

State and Territory governments, local governments, regional universities and not-for-profit organisations, including indigenous organisations.

You can use this grant funding to cover costs incurred that are directly related to your agreed project including:

- materials for construction
- lease of plant and equipment
- labour
- labour on-costs and administrative overheads
- contract expenditure

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- relevant travel.

Limitations

You can apply if you have:

- an Australian business number (ABN) or Office of the Registrar of Indigenous Organisations (ORIC) registration

And are one of the following entity types:

- an Australian State/Territory Government agency or body
- an Australian local government agency or body
- a Regional University which may be for-profit
- an incorporated not-for-profit organisation. As a not-for-profit organisation you must demonstrate your not-for-profit status through one of the following:
    - current Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission's (ACNC) registration
    - state or territory incorporated association status
    - constitutional documents and/or Articles of Association that demonstrate the not-for-profit character of the organisation.

You can't apply if you are:

- an organisation, or your project partner is an organisation, included on the National Redress Scheme's list of Institutions that have not joined or signified their intent to join the Scheme
- an employer of 100 or more employees that has not complied with the Workplace Gender Equality Act (2012)
- a for-profit organisation (unless you are a regional university)
- any organisation not included in section 4.1 of the Guidelines.

Your project must:

- be in regional, rural or remote location, delineated as entirely outside the Australian Bureau of Statistics' Greater Capital City Statistical Areas (GCCSA) - see the mapping tool on the Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communications and the Arts website
- be aimed at delivering one or more specific projects as part of a precinct
- work with partners to support the delivery of precinct projects or foundational infrastructure, which provide benefits related to productivity, equity and resilience
- not have received Commonwealth funding to undertake the same activities
- have a minimum expenditure of $5 million.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G13361/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G13361/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G13361/apply
Email: RegionalPrecincts@industry.gov.au **Phone:** 13 28 46

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Rental Bond Loan

Funding Provider
Department of Housing and Public Works (QLD)

Location
QLD

Funding Type
Low Or No-interest Loan U00062

Primary Category
Community development

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

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Purpose

A Bond Loan is an interest-free loan to cover your rental bond when moving into private rental accommodation. The loan is up to a maximum of 4 weeks rent, and must be repaid.

Overview

A **Bond Loan** is an interest-free and fee-free loan to cover the rental bond when you move into private rental accommodation.

The loan amount is a maximum of 4 weeks rent and must be repaid.

Bond loans are available to eligible people only. Check your eligibility.

Bond loans are automatically approved for people experiencing domestic, family and sexual violence who have provided information about their circumstances.

Bond Loan Plus is an interest-free and fee-free loan to cover the rental bond plus an amount equal to 2 weeks rent for the property you want to rent.

The loan amount is a maximum of 6 weeks rent and must be repaid.

To find out more, talk to your local Housing Service Centre.

If you have been affected by the weather events, do not apply online but talk to your nearest Housing Service Centre to find out more and apply.

Limitations

Eligibility for a Bond Loan

Check your eligibility for a Bond Loan or Rental Grant here

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00062/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00062/apply
Email: ICCHousingEnquiries@smartservice.qld.gov.au **Phone:** 13 74 68

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Resource Recovery Community Grant

Funding Provider
Ballina Shire Council

Location
Ballina

Funding Type
Cash Grant G13343

Primary Category
Community development

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
Total Pool: $50,000

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Ballina Shire Council's Resource Recovery Community Grant program provides financial assistance to encourage and assist individuals, organisations, and community groups in the implementation of waste minimisation and resource recovery for the benefit of our community.

Overview

Council will consider the following guidelines to determine if the project or initiative aligns with Council's resource recovery strategic objectives and offers value for money for the community:

- Must be conducted within the Ballina Local Government area.
- Aligns with Council's resource recovery strategic objectives to improve community waste minimisation, reduce waste to landfill and/or recover resources.

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- Effectively creates community awareness/messaging to increase waste minimisation and resource recovery behaviour within the community.
- Demonstrates clear and identified community need/support.
- Defined project plan with outcomes and timeline.
- Proponent has an appropriate level of resources/relevant experience to support project delivery.
- A realistic and evidence-based budget providing value for money.
- Purchasing of any tools, equipment or resources will remain for community benefit at the end of the project.

The program is open to applicants year-round, however only one application per individual, community group or organisation will be considered per year. Please allow up to six weeks for the assessment process.

$50,000 per annum is allocated toward community resource recovery initiatives from the Resource Recovery budget.

Limitations

Eligibility:

Individuals, organisations and community groups are encouraged to apply for financial support from Council to conduct resource recovery initiatives within the Ballina Shire.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G13343/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G13343/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G13343/apply
Email: resourcerecovery@ballina.nsw.gov.au **Phone:** 6686 1287

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Road Safety Program - Small Grants

Funding Provider
Transport Accident Commission (VIC)

Location
VIC

Funding Type
Cash Grant G13031

Primary Category
Community development

Eligible to
- School
- Not-for-Profit
- University
- Local Govt
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
$5,000

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Small Grants are designed to support community-led initiatives that respond to a current road safety issue or need.

Overview

The objectives of the Strategy are to:

- Ensure all Victorians are safe and feel safe on and around our roads
- Halve road deaths and progressively reduce serious injuries by 2030
- Embed a culture of road safety within the Victorian community

What funding is available?

Funding of up to $5,000 (ex. GST) is available.

Timing

The Small Grants are open year round, with applications assessed and funding awarded tri-monthly until the allocated budget is exhausted (per financial year). Funded initiatives are to be delivered within six months.

Limitations

To be eligible for funding, applicant must be financially viable and one of the following:

- Incorporated association

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- Not-for-profit
- Charity
- Community trust
- Social enterprise
- Educational/learning organisation
- Local Government Authority (LGA)

In addition, the proposed project cannot have been previously funded by the TAC, and planned project activities must be undertaken in Victoria.

Who is not eligible to apply?

The following groups are not eligible to apply for funding:

- Individuals
- Organisations that are primarily for-profit, including businesses
- State government departments/ organisations

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G13031/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G13031/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G13031/apply
Email: rsgrants@tac.vic.gov.au

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SBS Foundation - Community Service Announcements

Funding Provider
SBS Foundation

Location
Aus

Funding Type
In-kind Contribution G05108

Primary Category
Community development

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
Amount: Undisclosed
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

SBS provides a limited amount of free airtime on its platforms for community information announcements and community promotional material, known as community service announcements (CSAs) on its television broadcast channels.

Overview

SBS allocates free airtime to Australian charities, community organisations and other relevant entities to promote services or events of a social, cultural, welfare, educational or beneficial nature aligned to the SBS Charter. The selection and placement of CSAs is governed by the SBS Code of Practice (SBS Code), Section 4.3.

Limitations

Who can apply?

- Australian charities, community organisations and other relevant entities, who are not paying clients

A CSA can't be a:

- Political matter
- Social, religious or any other matter that SBS considers to be controversial or potentially divisive to the community
- Promotion of a commercial entity/individual

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online

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Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G05108/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G05108/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G05108/apply
Contact: SBS Foundation
Email: csa@sbs.com.au

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Scottish Cultural and Heritage Grant

Funding Provider
Victorian Scottish Heritage Cultural Foundation

Location
VIC

Funding Type
Cash Grant G14422

Primary Category
Community development

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
Amount: $500 (approx) to $3,000 (approx)
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Scottish Foundation seeks to promote Scottish cultural heritage within and alongside Victoria's rich and culturally diverse community of today.

Overview

Organisations, groups and individuals can apply for up to $10,000 for one-off projects. Most grants are between $500 and $3000.

Applications are considered at the next meeting of the Foundations Board which meets quarterly.

Limitations

Applications for funding are welcomed from individuals, groups and organisations that:

- are not-for-profit
- are the ones actually running the project or activity
- undertake their primary activities in Australia.

Applications from organisations must include the following information:

- materials such as letters (that supports the case for funding) and background materials (such as annual report, newsletters, bulletins) that help the Foundation's board gain a better understanding of the applicant
- a statement that the organisation has not-for-profit status
- a statement of willingness to accept the Foundation's standard grant conditions such as those of reporting and evaluation
- evidence of current status of insurance – public liability and/or professional indemnity.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Mail, Email
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G14422/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G14422/apply
Address: PO Box 3500 Middle Camberwell 3124
Email: info@vshcf.com.au

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Sheargold Foundation Grants

Funding Provider
Sheargold Foundation

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G10218

Primary Category
Community development

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- DGR Required

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The foundation makes grants across a range of charitable activities.

Overview

The Sheargold Foundation strives to pinpoint charitable organisations with clear objectives, a fervent aspiration to create an impact, and a close resonance with their mission and values. Their involvement extends beyond mere backing; they seek to leverage the expertise and experience of their board members to aid the charities they endorse.

Grants are made in two ways:

1. In response to applications and/or an expression-of-interest.
2. In response to a need or opportunity pro-actively identified by the Foundation's Board.

Email your completed application form to foundation@sheargoldgroup.com or post it to P.O BOX 6423, French's Forest NSW 2086

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G10218/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G10218/apply
Address: Sheargold Family Foundation PO Box 6423 Frenchs Forest 2086 NSW
Email: foundation@sheargoldgroup.com

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SilverChef Grants Program

Funding Provider
Silverchef

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G15460

Primary Category
Community development

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
$5,000
Total Pool: $80,000

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The SilverChef Community Grants Program is open to registered charities and not-for-profits that use hospitality or food service to support disadvantaged communities.

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Overview

Four grants worth $5,000 each are awarded each quarter globally. To be eligible, applicants should receive limited funding from other sources, have a clear and specific need for commercial kitchen equipment, and have been a registered charity or NFP for a minimum of 12 months.

Each $5,000 grant is a 75:25 mix of equipment and cash, as follows:

- Equipment - a minimum of $3,750 (75%) must be redeemed against equipment.
- Cash - Once the grant recipient has selected their equipment, they can have the outstanding portion of the grant in cash, up to a maximum of $1,250.

Each quarter they award four grants of $5,000 each. The four funding rounds occur as follows:

- Round 1: Applications open 1 July - 30 September
- Round 2: Applications open 1 October - 31 December
- Round 3: Applications open 1 January - 31 March
- Round 4: Applications open 1 April - 30 June

Limitations

The SilverChef Community Grants Program is open to registered charities and not-for-profits that use hospitality or food service to support disadvantaged communities.

Eligible applicants means Australian registered charities and not-for-profit corporations that:

- have been registered and operating for not less than 12 months; and
- are in the business of using hospitality or food services to help disadvantaged members of the Community; and
- have a clear and specific need for commercial kitchen equipment.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G15460/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G15460/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G15460/apply
Email: grants@silverchef.com.au

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Small grants

Funding Provider
City of Whittlesea

Location
Whittlesea

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19013

Primary Category
Community development

Eligible to
- School
- Not-for-Profit
- University
- Business

Funding
$5,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **30 Apr 2026**

Purpose

The small grants offer supports to social enterprises, not-for-profit community groups, organisations and businesses to undertake activities that have a broad community benefit.

Overview

Eligible applicants are encouraged to apply for grants to deliver projects and events that have a broad community benefit in line with the Whittlesea 2040 vision:

- Connected Community through:
    - a. social cohesion
    - b. physical activity
    - c. safety in public areas and
    - d. civic participation

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- Liveable Neighbourhoods:
    - a. use of town centres
    - b. access to services and facilities
- Strong Local Economy:
    - a. increased local employment
    - b. education opportunities for all
    - c. successful and innovative local businesses
- Sustainable Environment:
    - a. valued natural landscapes and biodiversity
    - b. climate ready
    - c. leaders in clean, sustainable living
- High Performing Organisation
    - a. driving better community outcomes.

Small grants have three sub-categories; projects, events and/or festivals and building projects or capital works.

Limitations

Eligible groups or entities:

- be a registered not-for-profit classified by the Australian Tax Office
- be an incorporated group with evidence of incorporated association number,
- be a social enterprise, business or
- be a school or university.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19013/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19013/guidelines

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19013/apply
Email: community.grants@whittlesea.vic.gov.au **Phone:** (03) 9217 2170

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Snow Foundation Individual Grants

Funding Provider
The Snow Foundation Limited

Location
ACT

Funding Type
Cash Grant G08964

Primary Category
Community development

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$2,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Snow Foundation offer small grants to individuals in need to assist with equipment or therapies.

Overview

Key focus areas:

- Health – disability, end-of-life care, addiction, youth mental health prevention, Indigenous health
- Economic Justice and Safety - homelessness, domestic violence
- Education and Employment – employment pathways, life skills, scholarships, advocacy and awareness of social issues
- Sector Capacity - philanthropy, for-purpose

Grants of up to $2,000 and can be provided for equipment and therapies for people living in the Canberra region.

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Limitations

Referring organisations must first call the Foundation on (02) 6175 3333 to discuss their client's requirements. If eligible to apply after the initial phone discussion you will be provided with the appropriate link to the application form.

Quotes from service providers or suppliers should be included in your application.

All forms must either be submitted by or include a reference/referral from a community service organisation or a Medical Practitioner.

Examples include – Occupational Therapists, Physiotherapists, Pediatricians, Education Professionals, Speech Pathologists, Psychologists, Allied Health Professionals, Social Workers.

Grant Round is Open all year (subject to volume)

Applicants should know the outcome of their application within 4 weeks of submission

Please note that if your application is successful, the funds are not transferred to the individual, they are sent to the provider of the goods/service.

Eligibility

- The Snow Foundation offers grants for equipment or therapies for anyone living in the Canberra Region.
- Quotes from service providers or suppliers should be included in your application.
- All forms must either be submitted by or include a reference/referral from a community service organisation or a Medical Practitioner.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Email, Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G08964/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G08964/guidelines
Email: enquiries@snowfoundation.org.au **Phone:** 02 6175 3333

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Sponsorship

Funding Provider
Virgin Australia

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G17881

Primary Category
Community development

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Sponsorship provides Virgin Australia the opportunity to support organisations who align with their purpose, mission and values, and who make a significant contribution to the community.

Overview

Please note that due to the high volume of requests they receive each week, unfortunately they are unable to respond individually to each application.

Virgin Australia will be in contact with you within four to six weeks if they wish to discuss your application further. However, if you have not heard from them within six weeks, please note that, regrettably, your request has not been accepted.

Sponsorship organisations will align with one of the following categories:

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- AFL & AFLW
- Youth & Family
- Inclusion
- Community relief.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G17881/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G17881/apply
Website: https://www.virginaustralia.com/au/en/help/contact-us/

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Sponsorship requests

Funding Provider
Department of Premier and Cabinet (QLD)

Location
QLD

Funding Type
In-kind Contribution U00160

Primary Category
Community development

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Business
- Local Govt
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Sponsorship is available to businesses, associations, local councils and not-for-profits to deliver significant initiatives and events.

Overview

The Queensland Government provides sponsorship towards significant events and initiatives that provide positive and tangible benefits to communities across the state.

Sponsorship is available to businesses, incorporated associations, local councils and not-for-profit organisations. Sponsorship cannot be provided to individuals.

Limitations

Applications are only accepted online and should be submitted at least **eight months** prior to the event, noting it can take **four months** to receive a formal outcome to your application.

Dependent on the level of funding support requested, this extended timeframe enables adequate consultation and assessment and, where agreement is formed, ensures the partnership can be mutually beneficial.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00160/info
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00160/apply
Email: sponsorship@premiers.qld.gov.au **Phone:** 07 3003 9200

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Sponsorships

Funding Provider
RAC WA

Location
WA

Funding Type
In-kind Contribution U00493

Primary Category
Community development

Eligible to
- TAFE
- School
- Not-for-Profit
- University
- Individual
- Business
- Local Govt
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

RAC WA seek to support initiatives that align with our vision for a safer, sustainable and better connected future for Western Australians.

Overview

RAC give back to their members and the WA community by supporting small and large scale initiatives that address the issues they feel passionately about.

- Safe: Safer mobility is vital to the wellbeing of Western Australians. Think safer roads, speeds, vehicles and people to save lives and reduce serious injuries.
- Sustainable: Sustainable mobility meets the social, environmental and economic needs of current and future generations. Think low emission vehicles and initiatives for cleaner, healthier air.
- Connected: Connected mobility supports vibrant and liveable communities. Think well-planned communities and transport that connect people and places.

To see if your initiative aligns with RAC WA's sponsorship program complete the sponsorship enquiry form.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00493/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00493/apply
Email: sponsorship@rac.com.au **Phone:** 9436 4411

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Stronger Communities Programme

Funding Provider
Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communications, Sport and the Arts

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19430

Primary Category
Community development

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Local Govt

Funding
Amount: $2,500 to $20,000
Total Pool: $22,650,000

Rounds
Closes **15 Jan 2026**

Purpose

The Stronger Communities Programme provides each of the 151 Federal electorates with $150,000 to fund small capital projects. Federal Members of Parliament (MPs) identify potential projects and invite applications from their electorate.

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Overview

Up to $20,000 of funding is available to deliver small infrastructure projects.
The Stronger Communities Programme (the program) supports the Australian Governments commitment to deliver social benefits in communities across Australia by funding projects in each of the 151 Federal electorates. The program provides grants for community projects to strengthen and benefit local communities and is part of the Governments 2024-25 budget initiatives.

The program falls under the Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communications and the Arts portfolio budget performance measure for Outcome 3, strengthening the sustainability, capacity and diversity of Australias cities and regions including northern Australia, including through facilitating local partnerships between all levels of government and local communities; through investment in infrastructure and measures that stimulate economic growth; and providing grants and financial assistance.

The objective of the program is to deliver infrastructure projects that provide social benefits for local communities, by supporting one or more of the following:

- support or encourage interstate or international tourism
- support or celebrate Indigenous Australians
- commemorate Australians killed or injured in war or who contributed to Australias war efforts
- support veterans and defence force members and their families and communities
- support the participation and settlement of newly arrived (i.e. within the last 5 years) immigrants who are not citizens
- support the acquisition or deployment of greenhouse gas emissions mitigation measures
- support the dignity of persons (including children) with disabilities by enhancing their access to public infrastructure
- support access for children to public infrastructure which enables interstate or overseas travel, accommodation, or education or health care infrastructure or services
- address gender inequality or discrimination in access to public infrastructure or sport
- provide medical services or facilities, or services or facilities incidental to the provision of medical services
- provide benefits to a specific cohort or cohorts of students
- enable or foster the use of electronic communications.

The intended outcomes of the program are to:

- encourage and support participation in local projects
- improve local community participation
- contribute to vibrant and viable communities.

Community consultation is a critical element of the program. In consultation with their community, each MP must identify potential applicants and projects in their electorate and invite them to apply for a grant. We will assess invited applications against the programs eligibility and assessment criteria through a closed non-competitive process.

For this round, grant funding will be up to 100% of eligible project costs for all eligible applicants, except for local governing bodies. Grant funding for local governing bodies will be up to 50% of eligible project costs. This means local governing bodies must provide at least 50% of the eligible project costs in matched funding contributions.

Limitations

To be eligible you must:

- be invited to apply by your MP
- have an Australian Business Number (ABN) and be one of the following entities:
    - an incorporated not for profit entity, such as:
        - Police and Citizen Youth Clubs
        - childcare centres
        - surf clubs
        - local aged care bodies
        - Parents and Citizens, Parents and Friends groups and equivalent bodies
        - a Commonwealth, state or territory government agency or entity that is a fire service, rural fire service, country fire authority, state emergency service or similar.
        - non-distributing co-operatives
        - companies limited by guarantee
        - Australian Indigenous corporations
        - religious organisations incorporated under legislation.
    - an incorporated trustee on behalf of a trust with responsibility for a community asset or property. You will be required to provide relevant trust documents
    - a local governing body as defined by the Local Government (Financial Assistance) Act 1995.

You can apply if you are one of the following entities:

- an incorporated not for profit entity, such as:

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- Police and Citizen Youth Clubs
- childcare centres
- surf clubs
- local aged care bodies
- Parents and Citizens, Parents and Friends groups and equivalent bodies
- a Commonwealth, state or territory government agency or entity that is a fire service, rural fire service, country fire authority, state emergency service or similar.

- non-distributing co-operatives
- companies limited by guarantee
- Australian Indigenous corporations
- religious organisations incorporated under legislation.
- an incorporated trustee on behalf of a trust with responsibility for a community asset or property. You will be required to provide relevant trust documents
- a local governing body as defined by the Local Government (Financial Assistance) Act 1995.

For the purpose of this program, we also consider the following organisations to be local governing bodies:

- Anangu Pitjantjatjara, Maralinga, Gerard, Nepabunna and Yalata local governing bodies in SA
- Cocos (Keeling) Islands Shire Council
- Lord Howe Island Board
- Norfolk Island Regional Council
- The Outback Communities Authority
- The Shire of Christmas Island
- The Silverton and Tibooburra villages in NSW
- The Trust Account in the NT
- ACT Government.

As a not-for-profit organisation you must demonstrate your not-for-profit status through one of the following:

- state or territory incorporated association registration number or certificate of incorporation, e.g. clubs and other associations
- current Australian Charities and Not for profits Commission's (ACNC) registration, e.g. for organisations registered as a charity
- constitutional documents that demonstrate the not-for-profit character of the organisation
- legislation that demonstrates the not-for-profit nature of the organisation, e.g. religious organisations incorporated under legislation.

You can't apply if you are:

- a for profit organisation
- an individual
- a partnership
- a Regional Development Australia Committee
- a university, technical college or school
- a hospital
- a Commonwealth, state or territory government agency or body (including government business enterprises) unless listed in section 4.1
- an organisation, or your project partner is an organisation, included on the National Redress Scheme's website on the list of 'Institutions that have not joined or signified their intent to join the Scheme'

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19430/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19430/guidelines
Email: enquiries@industry.gov.au **Phone:** 13 28 46

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Stronger Together - Safe Places for Faith Communities Program

Funding Provider
Multicultural NSW

Location
NSW

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19808

Primary Category
Community development

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
Amount: $5,000 to $250,000
Total Pool: $5,000,000

Rounds
Closes **30 Jan 2026**

Purpose

The NSW Government has committed $15 million to support the safety and security of places of worship and other places where faith communities gather regularly with $5 million available in this round.

Overview

The Safe Places for Faith Communities Grants provides funding for places of worship and other eligible places where faith communities gather regularly.

The program aims to enable faith communities to:

- Come together safely to profess, practice and maintain their faith and religious heritage
- Reduce the risk of harm to people or damage to property
- Build community resilience, wellbeing and cohesion.

The grant amount available for application is $5,000 to a maximum of $250,000, exclusive of GST.

Grant funding is provided as a one-off payment. The funding is non-recurrent. The project must be completed, and funds expended, by 30 June 2027.

Limitations

To be eligible for grant funding under the Safe Places for Faith Communities Program, applicants must:

- Be a non-profit sharing organisation
    - The organisation must show that it manages and has the legal and institutional authority to implement funded security measures at the place of worship or eligible place for which the grant funding is to be used
- Show the need for the grant
    - For grant funding requests of up to $50,000 (‘Pathway A’) where an evidence based security risk assessment is NOT required
    - For grant funding requests of $50,000 or more (‘Pathway B’), an evidence-based security risk assessment IS required as supporting documentation to the grant application
- Show how the project will achieve one or more of the intended grant program outcomes
- Outline how the program outcomes will be measured and reported
- Be located within New South Wales
- Outline how the proposal is cost effective and viable with an accurate and balanced budget
- Confirm other funding sources that are contributing to the total event budget
- Confirm past and current funding sources for the past three years
- Show co-contributions towards the project
- Have acquitted all prior grants that are due for acquittal
- Have all appropriate insurances and licences
    - Including, but not limited to, Public Liability Insurance, Workers Compensation Insurance and Volunteers Insurance
- Submit an application using the Multicultural NSW SmartyGrants portal before the closing date
- This information is in the grant guidelines and application form
- Show they have the capacity to start the project within 12 weeks of executing the grant agreement
- Deliver the project within the delivery timeframe for the grant. This information is in the grant guidelines and application form
- Acknowledge Multicultural NSW and NSW Government funding in any notice, publication or report relating to the funding measures or activities.

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Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19808/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19808/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19808/apply
Email: safeplacesgrants@multicultural.nsw.gov.au **Phone:** 02 8255 6779

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The Gwen & Edna Jones Foundation

Funding Provider
The Gwen & Edna Jones Foundation

Location
VIC

Funding Type
Cash Grant G00775

Primary Category
Community development

Eligible to
Not-for-Profit
DGR Required

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

To benefit charitable purposes in Western District of Victoria.

Overview

The Foundation supports projects that generally adhere to our mission statement. The overriding purpose of the Foundation is to provide benefits to humanity, but in doing so it is important that areas of particular interest to the founders, Misses Gwen and Edna Jones, are taken into consideration. Such areas include, but are not limited to:

- Health, welfare and education of the incapacitated, impoverished, young or aged
- Advancement of science and education
- Provision of cultural and recreational facilities for the public
- Providing opportunities for advancement for rural persons

The Foundation prefers to support projects that benefit communities located in the Western District of Victoria.

After reading all of the information provided here, if you are unsure whether you may qualify for a grant you should forward a letter to the Foundation, detailing the project for which you seek funding. The Foundation will then advise you whether your project will be considered and you will be requested to provide additional information.

There are no formal closing dates for applications. The Board of the Foundation meets quarterly and will discuss all applications within 12 weeks of receipt.

Limitations

The Foundation will not fund:

- Research projects
- Individuals
- Commercial activities
- Political activities
- Projects it considers does not meet its ethical standards
- Cash prizes or gifts
- Travel expenses and employee wages (except as part of a larger approved project)
- Recurrent costs of an established program
- Sponsorship

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Mail, Email
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G00775/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G00775/guidelines

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Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G00775/apply
Address: PO Box 677 WARRNAMBOOL 3280 VIC
Email: SLafferty@mhfg.com.au **Phone:** (03) 5562 3544

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Transport Access Regional Partnerships (TARP) grants

Funding Provider
Transport for NSW

Location
NSW

Funding Type
Cash Grant G10118

Primary Category
Community development

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- State Govt
- Business
- Local Govt

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Transport Access Regional Partnerships Grants Program (TARP program) supports initiatives to improve services and outcomes for transport disadvantaged groups in the community.

Overview

This program aims to improve social outcomes for transport disadvantaged sections of the community by providing better access and more transport options.

The funding is for shorter term projects, ongoing funding is not guaranteed.

- The development of potential transport services where there are no other options and clear need is evident
- The provision of subsidy programs for targeted to specific transport disadvantaged groups
- The building of community capacity to manage transport challenges
- The provision of essential information.

The following is considered when deciding whether or not an initiative will be included in the TARP program:

- Funding for projects is available on a trial or 'seeding' basis i.e. recurrent funding is not available through this program.
- In most cases, funded projects will need to demonstrate they can become self-sustaining.
- Projects should aim to make better use of existing transport resources.
- Consideration will be given to projects that provide information, transport related capacity building, subsidies or trial services.
- The program cannot fund the purchase of vehicles.

Partnerships with other organisations are encouraged - for example initiatives that include state agencies, local councils, transport operators and/or community organisations.

Limitations

Eligibility

Eligible organisations include non-profit community based organisations, incorporated associations, local councils, statutory agencies and current Australian Business Number (ABN) holders.

Other groups or individuals are free to propose projects either directly to Transport for NSW, or to an eligible organisation in their region.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G10118/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G10118/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G10118/apply
Email: tarpgrants@transport.nsw.gov.au **Phone:** 0438 499 614

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Unincorporated groups grants

Funding Provider
City of Whittlesea

Location
Whittlesea

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19016

Primary Category
Community development

Eligible to
Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
$1,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **30 Apr 2026 midnight**

Purpose

If you are a newly established group and not yet incorporated, this grant may assist with costs towards public liability and incorporation costs.

Overview

Eligible items:

- Public Liability Insurance to cover organisation/group
- Incorporation costs
- Materials and equipment to support organisation set-up
- Group promotion and member recruitment
- Costs for regular meeting venues
- Costs to set up a webpage
- Facilitators to support development of strategic plans, governance systems
- Costs for activities associated with starting up a social/business enterprise.

Limitations

Eligibility:

- The group has been meeting on a regular basis for at least six months at the time of application
- The group has a minimum of six members
- A minimum of 50% of members reside in the City of Whittlesea
- The group is established in the City of Whittlesea
- The group has Rules of Association of a Statement of Purpose or a Mission Statement
- Unincorporated groups can only apply once for this grant

What won't be funded:

- Groups of a political nature
- Groups already incorporated
- Incomplete applications
- Costs for meeting venues that are located in:
    - A place promoting gambling and serve alcohol or a
    - Council owned venue

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19016/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19016/guidelines

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19016/apply
Email: community.grants@whittlesea.vic.gov.au **Phone:** (03) 9217 2170

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Urban Precincts and Partnerships Program - Steam 1: Precinct development and planning (uPPP)

Funding Provider
Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communications, Sport and the Arts

Location
NSW
TAS
VIC
QLD
NT
ACT
SA
WA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G14855

Primary Category
Community development

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- University
- State Govt
- Local Govt

Funding

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The urban Precinct Development and Planning (Stream One) funding opportunity provides funding to develop a precinct idea through to investment-ready stage.

Overview

The rationale for Stream One is to recognise that financial constraints can inhibit great concepts being explored further and developed into realistic, well designed and planned projects.

For the purposes of Stream One, the project is considered to be a plan for the entire precinct, even if you are only considering future investment in one element of the precinct. This contrasts with Stream Two, where the project is one or more elements of a precinct.

The objective of Stream One is to activate partnerships to jointly deliver plans, designs or business cases for multi-purpose precincts comprised of multiple infrastructure components.

The intended outcomes of Stream One are to:

- establish partnerships comprised of relevant government entities, community organisations and businesses that have a shared vision for an urban precinct
- deliver precinct plans that are tailored to their local contexts and based on community feedback and engagement
- support precinct plans to become investment ready.

Limitations

To be eligible you must:

- have an Australian Business Number (ABN) or Office of the Registrar of Indigenous Organisations (ORIC) registration

and be one of the following entities:

- an Australian state/territory government agency or body
- an Australian local government agency or body as defined in section 14
- a University which may be for-profit as defined in section 14
- an incorporated and not-for-profit organisation.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G14855/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G14855/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G14855/apply

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Phone: 13 28 46

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Urban Precincts and Partnerships Program - Steam 2

Funding Provider
Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communications, Sport and the Arts

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G14856

Primary Category
Community development

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- University
- State Govt
- Local Govt

Funding
Amount: $5,000,000 to $50,000,000

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The urban Precincts and Partnerships Program - Stream Two gives partnerships up to $50 million in funding to deliver elements of a precinct.

Overview

This funding opportunity is for Stream Two of the urban Precincts and Partnerships Program.

The Precinct Delivery funding opportunity provides funding to deliver one or more elements of a precinct. This could include enabling public infrastructure (roads, pathways, underground infrastructure), open spaces between elements, or a particular building/s that is the catalyst for, or complements, other investment within a precinct.

For Stream Two, the project is considered to be one or more elements of a precinct. This funding opportunity will provide funding for the delivery of projects, rather than entire precincts. This contrasts with Stream One, where the project is considered to be the planning and development of the whole precinct.

The objective of Stream Two is to support the delivery of multi-purpose precincts, comprised of multiple infrastructure components.

The intended outcomes of Stream Two are to:

- deliver projects that form part of a precinct or foundational infrastructure that activate a precinct
- support the delivery of urban precincts that are tailored to their local contexts and based on a shared vision.

Limitations

To be eligible your project must:

- be ready to commence construction with a business case, design, consultation and approvals already completed
- be aimed at meeting the objectives of the funding opportunity, as outlined in Section 2
- have at least $5 million in eligible expenditure.

Eligible activities must directly relate to the project and may include projects that will develop or improve an urban multi-purpose precinct including:

- upgrade or extension of existing infrastructure to enhance a precinct
- construction of new infrastructure
- procurement of suitable equipment and infrastructure.

The Minister may also approve other activities which are linked to the objectives and outcomes of the Program.

To be eligible you must:

- have an Australian Business Number (ABN) or Office of the Registrar of Indigenous Organisations (ORIC) registration and be one of the following entities:
    - an Australian State/Territory Government agency or body
    - an Australian local government agency or body as defined in section 14 of the guidelines
    - a University which may be for-profit as defined in section 14 of the guidelines

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• an incorporated not-for-profit organisation.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G14856/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G14856/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G14856/apply
Phone: 13 28 46

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Utility Relief Grant Scheme (mains and non-mains)

Funding Provider
Department of Health (VIC)

Location
VIC

Funding Type
Cash Grant G02814

Primary Category
Community development

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$1,300 (approx)
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Concessions on utility bills are available for low-income Victorians experiencing unexpected hardship.

Overview

The department and other agencies offer a variety of concessions and benefits to eligible cardholders to assist low-income Victorians during financial hardship. If you have a relevant concession card, you may be eligible for one of these concessions:

Utility relief grant scheme (non-mains) - non-mains utility relief is available to Victorians on very low incomes who have experienced unexpected hardship.

Utility relief grant scheme - relief grants for paying overdue energy or water bills are available to low-income Victorians experiencing unexpected hardship.

Limitations

You must hold at least one of the following concession cards:

- Pensioner Concession Card
- Health Care Card
- Veterans' Affairs Gold Card.

The grant is available to renters and homeowners.

Grant Criteria

You can only apply for a grant on an active account.

You must show that you have no way of paying the account without assistance, and

You must meet one of the following criteria:

- You or someone in your house has experienced family violence.
- You have had a recent decrease in income, for example, lost your job.
- You have had high unexpected costs for essential items.
- The cost of shelter is more than 30% of your household income.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Phone
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G02814/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G02814/guidelines

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Contact: Department of Health and Human Services
Phone: 1800 658 521

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Veteran Community Grant

Funding Provider
Department of People, Sport and Culture (NT)

Location
NT

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19318

Primary Category
Community development

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Business
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
$15,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **31 May 2026**

Purpose

This grant round provides short-term funding to help enterprises, veteran organisations, and community groups create and promote projects, events or activities that support members and families of the Northern Territory veteran community.

Overview

The Veteran Community grant provides up to $15,000 to eligible organisations and community groups.

Funding supports activities that:

- improve veterans' physical or emotional wellbeing
- foster community building and social connections for veterans
- are accessible to a broad number of veterans.

Applications are now open and close 31 May 2026, or earlier if funds are fully allocated.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19318/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19318/apply

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Veteran Wellbeing Grants (VWG) Program

Funding Provider
Department of Veterans' Affairs

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19763

Primary Category
Community development

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- State Govt
- Business

Funding
$200,000
Total Pool: $3,834,000 (approx)

Rounds
Closes **5 Feb 2026**

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Purpose

The VWG Program provides funding for ex-service organisations (ESOs) to undertake projects and activities that sustain or enhance health and social wellbeing, build community capacity, potentially expand on existing projects and raise awareness of important issues faced by the veteran community.

Overview

The objectives of the program are to:

- maintain and improve the independence and quality of life for members of the veteran community by providing funding for activities and projects that sustain or enhance health and social wellbeing
- deliver activities and projects to the veteran community that build community capacity for the future that is not already provided by Commonwealth or state funding
- expand on existing activities and projects offered to veterans in new regions within Australia or in the development of new activities and projects that will be offered in more than one location
- raise awareness of the important issues faced by the veteran community.

Funding and categories

The Australian Government has announced a total of up to $3.777 million (GST exclusive) for the VWG Program for the 2024–25 financial year. There is no set proportion of the $3.777 million allocated per stream. Applications will be considered under grant categories: Stream A Small Grants (up to a maximum of $50,000 per grant) and Stream B Large Grants (from $50,001 to a maximum of $150,000 per grant).

Stream A small grants

Under Stream A, grants up to $50,000 per grant are available for small-scale, local and community-based practical projects and activities that support safe, accessible environments for veterans and families to enable social connection and positive engagement to improve wellbeing.

Stream B large grants

Under Stream B, grants from $50,001 to $200,000 are available for large projects and activities that deliver practical wellbeing support services and activities of broad-scale benefit to veterans and families in the community.

Limitations

Eligibility

To be eligible, an organisation must either be an ESO (ex-service organisation) or be a non-ESO in a consortium with at least one ESO, and be an eligible entity type (see section below).

To be considered an ESO, you MUST meet all of the ESO definition criteria in section 4.1 of the guidelines. You may be asked to provide evidence that you meet all of the requirements.

Being a veteran-related organisation that provides a service or activity for veterans does not constitute that you meet all the requirements of being considered an ESO. These organisations are encouraged to apply in a consortium arrangement with an ESO. ESOs are encouraged to bring forward applications that are in partnership with other ESOs and/or veteran organisations to leverage opportunities.

To to be eligible to apply you must be either:

- an ex-service organisation (ESO) applying in your own right
- an ESO applying as the lead member of a consortium
- a non-ESO applying as the lead member of a consortium with at least one ESO

and be one of the following legal entity types:

- Company
- Cooperative
- Incorporated Association
- Indigenous Corporation
- Statutory Entity.

Applications from Trustees on behalf of a Trust and consortia are acceptable, as long as:

- at least one of the members is an ESO
- the lead applicant has an eligible entity type as per the list above
- the lead applicant is solely accountable to the Commonwealth for the delivery of grant activities.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19763/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19763/guidelines

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Veterans SA Capacity Building Grant Fund

Funding Providers
DefenceSA
Veterans SA

Location
SA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19060

Primary Category
Community development

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
$7,000
Total Pool: $50,000

Rounds
Closes **15 May 2026**

Purpose

The Veterans SA Capacity Building Grant Funding offers support to eligible ex-service organisations to help them improve their governance and strengthen their capacity building skills.

Overview

Applicants can seek grants of up to $7,000 (ex GST) for projects that help strengthen the governance of ex-service organisations to lead, develop, support and advocate for their communities.

A maximum of $50,000 (ex GST) in grant funding is available for distribution in the 2025-2026 financial year.

Examples of eligible projects include:

- leadership and governance training for board or committee members
- temporary project staff salaries or consultant costs to assist in developing a plan or strategy (e.g. strategic plan, communication/social media strategy)
- training and skills development (e.g. grant writing skills, volunteer management training, financial management training)
- development of a website or app to make services more accessible to the community.
- professional mediation services for members
- purchase of equipment that supports service delivery or community engagement (e.g. portable marquees, audio-visual equipment, tools for community projects).

Limitations

Eligibility

Grants are available for projects or initiatives that are aimed at building capacity, knowledge and skills within the community, but do not create an ongoing need for funding.

Funding can be used for eligible expenses that directly relate to coordination, management and delivery of the project within South Australia.

Organisations are eligible to apply if they are:

- Non-government, not-for-profit and

incorporated under the *Associations Incorporation Act 1985*; or

- a Statutory Authority established through an Act; or
- registered with the Australian Charities and Not-for-Profit Commission
- registered with the Australian Charities and Not-for-Profit Commission with a comparable legal status.

In addition, applicant organisations must:

- have a registered Australian Business Number (ABN)
- have met requirements for any previous grants received from Veterans SA, such as acquitting or reporting on grants.

Organisations not meeting these requirements, such as unincorporated organisations, may partner with a lead applicant which meets eligibility requirements.

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Applications must be authorised by an appropriate executive member of the organisation. Incomplete applications may not be accepted.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19060/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19060/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19060/apply
Email: vsafundapplications@sa.gov.au **Phone:** 08 7133 9333 (Option 1)

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Veterans SA Commemorative Service Grant Fund

Funding Providers
Veterans SA
DefenceSA

Location
SA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G11803

Primary Category
Community development

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
$2,000
Total Pool: $20,000

Rounds
Closes **31 May 2026**

Last Round
Closed **31 May 2025**

Purpose

Applicants can seek grants of up to $2,000 (ex GST) for expenses that directly relate to the coordination, management and delivery of commemorative services within South Australia.

Overview

A maximum of $20,000 (ex GST) in grant funding is available for distribution in the 2025-26 financial year.

Examples of eligible expenses include:

- venue (hire fees)
- equipment and furniture hire (AV, lighting, marquees, chairs)
- catering (up to $300)
- security
- advertising and marketing such as flyers, booklets and posters
- bus hire for transporting attendees to and from commemorative services.

Note: South Australian RSL sub-branches are encouraged to apply to the RSL SA State Branch for funding to deliver Anzac Day services.

Limitations

To be eligible for funding, ex-service organisations must:

- be non-government, not-for-profit and
    - incorporated under the *Associations Incorporation Act 1985*, or
    - a Statutory Authority established through an Act, or
    - registered with the Australian Charities and Not-for-Profit Commission

In addition, applicant organisations must:

- have an active, registered ABN
- have met all requirements for any previous grants received from Veterans SA, such as acquitting or reporting on grants.

Organisations not meeting these requirements, such as unincorporated organisations, may apply through an auspice arrangement with a lead organisation that meets eligibility requirements.

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An auspice organisation is an eligible entity that manages the grant on behalf of another group; it receives the funds and is legally responsible for delivering the project as agreed.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G11803/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G11803/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G11803/apply
Email: vsafundapplications@sa.gov.au **Phone:** (08) 7133 9333

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WA Volunteer Service Awards

Funding Provider
Department of Communities (WA)

Location
WA

Funding Type
Award A00844

Primary Category
Community development

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
$0
Total Pool: $0

Rounds
Closes **27 Feb 2026 5pm**

Purpose

The WA Volunteer Service Awards are an opportunity to thank and acknowledge volunteers who give their time and talents to support their communities.

Overview

The WA Volunteer Service Awards recognise and celebrate years of voluntary service. Western Australian volunteers who have volunteered for five years or more can be nominated for the below service years:

- 5 to 9 years of voluntary service
- 10 to 19 years of voluntary service
- 20 to 29 years of voluntary service
- 30 to 39 years of voluntary service
- 40 to 49 years of voluntary service
- 50 to 59 years of voluntary service
- Lifetime of voluntary service (60 plus years of volunteering).

Nominations can be made in two ways using the online form:

- **Volunteer-involving organisations** cansubmit the nomination on behalf of their volunteers; or
- **Individuals** who are currently volunteering can self-nominate.

Nominations for the program must be submitted before 5:00pm on Friday 27 February 2026. Certificates of recognition will be distributed during National Volunteer Week in May 2026.

Limitations

To be eligible, nominees must meet all the following criteria:

- current resident of Western Australia
- current volunteer
- voluntary service must meet Volunteering Australia's definition of volunteering, in that 'Volunteering is time willingly given for the common good and without financial gain'
- the volunteering contribution benefits Western Australian communities
- at the time of nomination, the nominee is of good standing and does not have any convictions, pending convictions or charges (within or outside Western Australia) that may impact on the reputation of the nominating organisation or the State Governments Awards Program.

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Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/A00844/info
Email: WAVolunteerServiceAwards@communities.wa.gov **Phone:** 1800 176 888

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WA Volunteer of the Year Award - 2026

Funding Provider
Volunteering WA

Location
WA

Funding Type
Award A00841

Primary Category
Community development

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Business

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **20 Feb 2026**

Purpose

The WA Volunteer of the Year Awards recognise and celebrate the outstanding contribution of Western Australian volunteers, volunteer involving organisations, corporate volunteering programs, and volunteer managers at work within our community.

Overview

Award Categories include:

- Excellence in Volunteer Management
- Inclusive Volunteering Award
- Lifetime Contribution to Volunteering
- Young Volunteer of the Year
- Corporate Volunteering Impact Award
- Community Volunteer Organisation of the Year
- RAC WA Volunteer of the Year

Nominations are now open and close on 20 February 2026 at 5pm.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/A00841/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/A00841/guidelines
Website: savannah@volunteeringwa.org.au **Phone:** 08 9482 4333

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Western Australian of the Year Awards

Funding Provider
Celebrate WA

Location
WA

Funding Type
Scholarship S05714

Primary Category
Community development

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **1 Mar 2026**

Purpose

The Western Australian of the Year Awards recognise and celebrate outstanding contribution to our state by those born and bred in Western Australia, or those who have chosen to make Western Australia their home.

Overview

The Awards celebrate excellence in business leadership, social entrepreneurship and innovation; improving the profile of WA arts and culture; inspirational role models in the Aboriginal community; positive social, scientific and economic impact; achievement in sport; and improving the lives of young Western Australians and the community as a whole. The seven categories that you can nominate are listed below.

Awards Categories

The Awards are presented in seven categories:

Wesfarmers Aboriginal Award

Presented in celebration of excellence in professional and/or personal achievements at a state, national or international level, contributing to the Western Australian community and recognition as an inspirational role model in the Indigenous community.

Crown Arts & Culture Award

Presented in celebration of excellence in achievement and/or significant contribution at a state, national or international level to the development, promotion and profiling of arts and culture disciplines in Western Australia.

The Chamber of Minerals & Energy Business Award

Presented in celebration of excellence and outstanding ethics in business leadership, social entrepreneurship or innovation at a state, national or international level, resulting in major positive social or economic impact in Western Australia

Alcoa Community Award

Presented in celebration of excellence in commitment to, and contribution towards, improving the quality of lives in the Western Australian community, at a state, national or international level.

Woodside Energy Professions Award

Presented in celebration of excellence resulting in major social, scientific or economic impact at a state, national or international level.

Channel 7 Sport Award

Presented in celebration of excellence in achievement, development or promotion of sport at a state, national or international level, with a focus on contribution to the Western Australian community.

BHP Youth Award

Presented in celebration of excellence in leadership, mentoring or artistic pursuits at a state, national or international level amongst 18 to 30 year olds, positively impacting the lives of Western Australians.

Limitations

How to Nominate

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The online process is very simple and will take just a few minutes. Nominators may make a self-nomination, or nominate on behalf of someone else providing they give their permission. You may submit multiple nominations for different nominees. Before you begin to fill in the form, please have the following information prepared:

- Contact details and permission from your nominee
- The categories (listed above) you wish to nominate them for
- Up to 250 words summarising how your nominee has achieved excellence in their category or categories
- Up to 250 words summarising how your nominee has contributed to our community
- Referee's details, should you wish to supply a referee for your nomination

Nominate online now, by March 2026 or, if you require any assistance with this form, please contact Veronica Farag on (08) 9482 3122 or email veronica@swm.com.au.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Email, Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05714/info
Email: celebratewa@celebratewa.com.au **Phone:** (08) 9324 5000

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Construction Visa Subsidy Program

Funding Provider
Department of Training and Workforce Development (WA)

Location
WA

Funding Type
Subsidised Goods And Services U00415

Primary Category
Construction

Eligible to
Business

Funding
$10,000

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The State Government is investing in initiatives to ensure locals are training for jobs for the future, but there is a need to retain skilled migrants in WA and for interstate and overseas workers who have the skills needed by WA businesses today.

Overview

The new **Construction Visa Subsidy Program** (CVSP) is supporting Western Australian construction businesses to fill the demand for a skilled workforce.

The program will provide grant payments of up to $10,000 to support skilled migration visa pathways for workers and help offset expenses such as migration agent fees, visa application fees and relocation costs.

Milestone payments

Employers

Eligible employers can receive payments of up to $10,000 per skilled migrant at three milestone points:

- **Milestone 1** - $2,000
- **Milestone 2** - $4,000
- **Milestone 3** - $4,000

Offshore skilled migrants

Eligible skilled migrants who apply for their visa offshore, will receive payments of up to $10,000 at two milestone points:

- **Milestone 1** - $5,000
- **Milestone 2** - $5,000

Onshore skilled migrants

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Eligible skilled migrants who are already onshore when the CVSP commences, will receive payments that have been reduced to reflect the lower costs incurred by onshore applicants:

- **Milestone 1** - $2,500
- **Milestone 2** - $2,500

Limitations

Eligibility for Employer Sponsored Stream

To be eligible for the CVSP employers must:

- sponsor a skilled migrant in one of the following visa subclasses - 482, 494 or 186; and
- be headquartered and undertaking building and construction work in Western Australia, in an eligible occupation(opens in a new tab).

Eligibility for the State Nominated Stream
To be eligible for the CVSP independent skilled migrants must be:

- granted a visa through the WA **State Nominated Migration Program** (SNMP) in one of the following visa subclasses – 190 or 491;
- employed by a business headquartered and undertaking building and construction work in WA; and
- working in an eligible occupation.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00415/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00415/guidelines
Website: https://migration.wa.gov.au/contact

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Celebrate Together Grants - Large grants

Funding Providers
Multicultural Affairs SA
Department of the Premier and Cabinet (SA)

Location
SA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19704

Primary Category
Culturally and Linguistically Diverse (CALD) people

Eligible to
Not-for-Profit

Funding
Amount: $5,001 to $30,000

Rounds
Closes **22 Feb 2026**

Purpose

The Celebrate Together Grants provide one-off funding to eligible multicultural organisations to host festivals and events that celebrate cultural diversity.

Overview

A major festival or event that will attract significant attendance, celebrate and showcase the culture and customs of your organisation's community, and encourage participation of the wider South Australian community.

Matched Funding

Applications must have matched funding. Applicants requesting a Large Grant, of more than $5,000, must contribute at least one dollar for every dollar of South Australian Government funding, up to a maximum amount of $30,000 for a major festival or event.

Limitations

Who is eligible?

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To be eligible for funding, multicultural organisations must:

- be non-government, not-for-profit and
    - incorporated under the Associations Incorporation Act 1985, or
    - an Australian Public Company Limited by Guarantee under the Corporations Act 2001, or
    - a Statutory Authority established through an Act, or
    - registered with the Australian Charities and Not-for-Profit Commission
- have a registered Australian Business Number (ABN)
- provide satisfactory evidence that their core purpose is to deliver initiatives, services or support for culturally and linguistically diverse communities in South Australia
- be South Australian based.

Who is not eligible?

The following are ineligible for funding:

- non-multicultural organisations
- organisations that have outstanding obligations for previously awarded grants
- educational institutions or related representative bodies, e.g. schools and/or their parents' associations, universities and for-profit childcare centres
- individuals or organisations applying on behalf of an individual
- for-profit organisations or private companies
- Commonwealth, state or local government department and agencies
- organisations that have been incorporated for less than one year
- organisations in receipt of existing 3 year Election Commitment Multicultural Affairs event funding
- unincorporated Associations.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19704/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19704/guidelines

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19704/apply
Email: multiculturalaffairs@sa.gov.au **Phone:** 1300 239 468

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Community Grants Program (CGP) - Community Capacity Building (up to $5000)

Funding Providers
Department of Creative Industries, Tourism and Sport (WA)
Office of Multicultural Interests (WA)

Location
WA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G08224

Primary Category
Culturally and Linguistically Diverse (CALD) people

Eligible to
Not-for-Profit

Funding
Amount: $0 to $5,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Community Capacity Building funding is available for initiatives that aim to strengthen the skills and abilities of communities to take leading roles in the development of their community, and that respond to specific needs and issues identified by the community.

Overview

Capacity building initiatives aim to strengthen the skills and abilities of CaLD communities to take leading roles in the development of their community. These initiatives respond to specific needs and issues identified by the community.

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Activities that may be supported by a Community Capacity Building grant include, but are not limited to:

- participation in established community based activities
- development of community capacity building activities
- skills development and training activities
- development of organisational governance and operational planning activities.

Limitations

Eligibility

Applicant organisations must be either a CaLD community association or a CaLD community service organisation.

Definition of a CaLD community association

To be classified as a culturally and linguistically diverse (CaLD) community association, the association must demonstrate and provide evidence that they meet the following criteria:

- The association is incorporated under the Western Australia Associations Incorporation Act 2015.
- The objectives of the association (in the association's Constitution or Rules) clearly state that it is specifically established to represent and promote the interests of a CaLD community with a shared country/ continent of ancestry, ethnicity, culture, language or religion.
- The Management Committee or Board of the association predominately reflects the intended CaLD community and is elected by members of that community to represent the community.
- The association's membership comprises individuals or other groups representative of that CaLD community.

Definition of a CaLD community service organisation

To be classified as a culturally and linguistically diverse (CaLD) community service organisation, the organisation must demonstrate and provide evidence that they meet the following criteria:

- The association is incorporated under the Western Australia Associations Incorporation Act 2015, or is a not-for-profit organisation based in Western Australia.
- The objectives of the organisation (in the organisation's Constitution or Rules) clearly state that it is specifically established for and its core business and focus is to either: provide support and deliver services and programs to CaLD communities; or
- represent and advocate for the interests of CaLD communities.
- The organisation has ongoing operational resourcing and employs paid staff.
- The Management Committee or Board and staffing profile of the organisation reflects CaLD communities, and it has a commitment to workforce training in cultural competency.
- The organisation has internal policies and procedures that demonstrate a commitment to multiculturalism and cultural diversity. An organisation that engages with CaLD communities as an incidental service is not eligible. Auspice arrangements are not accepted for applications to the Strategic Projects category.

Who is not eligible?

- Local*, State and Commonwealth Government agencies.
- Unincorporated not-for-profit organisations.
- Commercial or for-profit organisations.
- Educational institutions/agencies including schools, universities and TAFE colleges.
- Individuals.
- Political organisations.

* OMI may accept applications from appropriate regional organisations or regional local government authorities where there is no other suitable organisation to apply.

Funding cannot be considered for activities that:

- have already taken place
- would be more appropriately supported through an alternative funding source
- are solely for fundraising activities
- are taking place outside of Western Australia
- are primarily of a religious nature
- celebrate national days, independence days or commemorative events.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Email
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G08224/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G08224/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G08224/apply

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Contact: Grants Administrator
Website: www.omi.wa.gov.au/ **Email:** grants@omi.wa.gov.au **Phone:** (08) 6552 1603

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Community Grants Program (CGP) - Festivals

Funding Providers
Department of Creative Industries, Tourism and Sport (WA)
Office of Multicultural Interests (WA)

Location
WA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G08223

Primary Category
Culturally and Linguistically Diverse (CALD) people

Eligible to
Not-for-Profit

Funding
$10,000
Total Pool: $1,000,000

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Festivals funding is available for CaLD community groups and organisations for significant events that celebrate the cultural identity of CaLD communities and encourage participation of the whole community.

Overview

This program is part of the the Office of Multicultural Interests (OMI) Community Grants Program (CGP) with a total annual budget of $1,000,000.

The program supports CaLD community-led activities that:

- celebrate and promote WA's cultural diversity
- build the capacity of individuals, families and communities to contribute to the civic and economic life of the State
- improve the accessibility and effectiveness of services.

Festivals funding stream

This funding supports CaLD communities to host public events that provide a range of cultural experiences and activities that celebrate the cultural identity of their community.

The festival must be free or low cost, delivered as a singular or contained event, and able to attract participation and attendance of the wider community.

For funding requests over $5,000, the application must demonstrate that the event has been delivered before with attendances of 5000 or more.

The Festivals funding guidelines and application form provide information about what can be supported, timeframes for application submission and how to apply.

Eligible costs

- Short-term staffing costs.
- Advertising, publicity, promotion, marketing, printing and publishing.
- Venue hire, equipment hire and cleaning.
- Administration (e.g. telephone, postage and stationery expenses).
- Transport costs (e.g. bus hire or public transport costs for local travel within Western Australia).
- Document preparation or printing.
- Provision of interpreting and translating services.
- Contribution towards catering and food costs up to a maximum 10% of the OMI grant.

Limitations

Eligibility:

Applicant organisations must be either a CaLD community association or a CaLD community service organisation.

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Definition of a CaLD community association

To be classified as a culturally and linguistically diverse (CaLD) community association, the association must demonstrate and provide evidence that they meet the following criteria:

1. The association is incorporated under the Western Australia Associations Incorporation Act 2015.
2. The objectives of the association (in the association's Constitution or Rules) clearly state that it is specifically established to represent and promote the interests of a CaLD community with a shared country/ continent of ancestry, ethnicity, culture, language or religion.
3. The Management Committee or Board of the association predominately reflects the intended CaLD community and is elected by members of that community to represent the community.
4. The association's membership comprises individuals or other groups representative of that CaLD community.

Definition of a CaLD community service organisation

To be classified as a culturally and linguistically diverse (CaLD) community service organisation, the organisation must demonstrate and provide evidence that they meet the following criteria:

1. The association is incorporated under the Western Australia Associations Incorporation Act 2015, or is a not-for-profit organisation based in Western Australia.
2. The objectives of the organisation (in the organisation's Constitution or Rules) clearly state that it is specifically established for and its core business and focus is to either:
    1. provide support and deliver services and programs to CaLD communities; or
    2. represent and advocate for the interests of CaLD communities.
3. The organisation has ongoing operational resourcing and employs paid staff.
4. The Management Committee or Board and staffing profile of the organisation reflects CaLD communities, and it has a commitment to workforce training in cultural competency.
5. The organisation has internal policies and procedures that demonstrate a commitment to multiculturalism and cultural diversity.

An organisation that engages with CaLD communities as an incidental service is not eligible.

Unincorporated CaLD community and not-for-profit groups based in Western Australia may apply under the auspices of an eligible organisation able to accept legal and financial responsibility for the project. Please see the Auspice Guidelines on the 'Community Grants Program' page at www.omi.wa.gov.au

Who is not eligible?

- Local*, State and Commonwealth Government agencies
- Unincorporated not-for-profit organisations
- Commercial or for-profit organisations
- Educational institutions/agencies including schools, universities and TAFE colleges
- Individuals
- Political organisations.

* *OMI may accept applications from regional local government authorities or appropriate regional organisations where there is no other suitable organisation to apply.*

Costs that cannot be supported:

- Existing, ongoing or recurrent organisational costs (e.g. salaries, fees and lease or rental payments).
- Venue hire for the applicant organisation's own venue.
- Purchase of capital equipment (e.g. computers, photocopiers and vehicles).
- Capital works (e.g. purchase of land or buildings, repairs, extensions, renovations or maintenance).
- Accommodation costs.
- Conference attendance costs.
- Research related items.
- Interstate or overseas travel (inbound or outbound, including airfares).
- The cost of prizes or gifts.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Email
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G08223/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G08223/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G08223/apply
Email: grants@omi.wa.gov.au **Phone:** (08) 6552 1603

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Community language schools funding program

Funding Provider
Department of Education (VIC)

Location
VIC

Funding Type
Cash Grant G00418

Primary Category
Culturally and Linguistically Diverse (CALD) people

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- School

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Annual funding is available through our community language school funding program. The funding is designed to support the delivery of language programs.

Overview

The program can cover costs such as:

- teacher salaries
- curriculum resources
- rent and other costs

Accreditation and funding

To apply for funding under this program, community language schools must apply for accreditation.

Accreditation is usually granted for up to three years, after which time schools must apply to be reaccredited.

Per capita funding is only provided on behalf of eligible school-aged students and preschool-aged children (who will turn four years of age by 30 April of the year they are enrolled).

Contact community.languages@edumail.vic.gov.au to find out how to apply for accreditation.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Mail
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G00418/info
Email: community.languages@education.vic.gov.au

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Expand Together Grants

Funding Providers
Multicultural Affairs SA
Department of the Premier and Cabinet (SA)

Location
SA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19485

Primary Category
Culturally and Linguistically Diverse (CALD) people

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit

Funding
$100,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **31 Jan 2026**

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Purpose

The grants provide one-off funding to eligible multicultural organisations to expand their capacity by upgrading community facilities or purchasing equipment to meet the needs of culturally and linguistically diverse communities.

Overview

Expand Together Grants of up to $100,000 are available to multicultural organisations for projects to be delivered over 12 months.

There are four categories under the Expand Together Grants.

1. Equipment Grant up to $50,000
2. Infrastructure Grant up to $50,000
3. Equipment Grant between $50,001 - $100,000
4. Infrastructure Grant between $50,001 - $100,000

There are matched funding requirements for applicants requesting more than $50,000.

Limitations

To be eligible for funding, multicultural organisations must:

- be non-government, not-for-profit and
    - incorporated under the Associations Incorporation Act 1985, or
    - an Australian Public Company Limited by Guarantee under the Corporations Act 2001, or
    - a Statutory Authority established through an Act, or
    - registered with the Australian Charities and Not-for-Profit Commission with a comparable legal status
- have a registered Australian Business Number (ABN)
- provide satisfactory evidence that their core purpose is to deliver initiatives, services or support for culturally and linguistically diverse communities in South Australia
- be South Australian based.

Multicultural Affairs (DPC) will only accept one application per organisation for the Expand Together Grants. Organisations with regional offices can submit one application per regional office.

Key multicultural service providers, who have a direct responsibility working with culturally and linguistically diverse communities, can apply up to two times as a lead agency in partnership with one or more multicultural community organisations.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19485/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19485/guidelines

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19485/apply
Email: multiculturalaffairs@sa.gov.au **Phone:** 1300 239 468

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Kaleidoscope Initiative Training

Funding Provider
Australian Red Cross

Location
WA

Funding Type
Subsidised Goods And Services U00380

Primary Category
Culturally and Linguistically Diverse (CALD) people

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

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Purpose

The Kaleidoscope Initiative provides free five-day Workplace Readiness Training and a 12-week one-on-one Mentoring Program for migrants of any visa background wanting to reconnect with their chosen field in WA.

Overview

The Kaleidoscope Initiative aims to reduce your employment barriers and improve your employment opportunities by preparing you for Australian workplaces and helping you to unlock industry networks.

Kaleidoscope's Workplace Readiness Training is a five-day development program that will boost your job readiness and employability by giving you the tools you need to seek, secure and maintain professional jobs in Australia.

Places are available now for the Workplace Readiness Training in 2025 and 2026. If you would like to find out more please contact

Limitations

To be suitable and eligible for the Kaleidoscope Initiative, you must be:

- a migrant of any visa background#living in Australia for less than 10 years
- • Currently reside in Western Australia
- entitled to work and study in Australia
- confident in written and spoken English
- unemployed or underemployed, or not employed in your formal profession.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00380/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00380/apply

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Kaleidoscope Mentoring Program

Funding Providers
Department of Training and Workforce Development (WA)
Evolve Network

Location
WA

Funding Type
Workplace Support U00756

Primary Category
Culturally and Linguistically Diverse (CALD) people

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
Total Pool: Unknown

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Kaleidoscope Initiative aims to reduce your employment barriers and improve your employment opportunities by preparing you for Australian workplaces and helping you to unlock industry networks.

Overview

The Kaleidoscope Initiative provides free five-day Workplace Readiness Training and a 12-week one-on-one Mentoring Program for migrants of any visa background wanting to reconnect with their chosen field in WA.

Kaleidoscope's Workplace Readiness Training is a five-day development program that will boost your job readiness and employability by giving you the tools you need to seek, secure and maintain professional jobs in Australia.

Participants who complete all five days of the Workplace Readiness Training become eligible for the Kaleidoscope Mentoring Program (KMP).

If you would like to find out more please contact them.

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Limitations

To be suitable and eligible for the Kaleidoscope Initiative, you must be:

- A migrant of any visa backgroundliving in Australia for less than 10 years;
- Currently reside in Western Australia;
- Entitled to work and study in Australia;
- Confident in written and spoken English;
- Unemployed or underemployed, or not employed in your formal profession.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00756/info

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Multicultural Community Fund

Funding Provider
Multicultural Affairs SA

Location
SA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19529

Primary Category
Culturally and Linguistically Diverse (CALD) people

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Local Govt

Funding
Total Pool: $5,000,000

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Multicultural Community Fund helps expand and improve infrastructure to support South Australia's multicultural communities.

Overview

The fund aims to create accessible, inclusive and welcoming community facilities across South Australia, where people can connect and celebrate culture.

Funding will prioritise those most in need of support to build and strengthen their community connections.

The fund supports projects such as:

- new builds - constructing new facilities
- upgrades and extensions - major renovations, redevelopments or extensions to existing community facilities
- outdoor spaces - developing or upgrading owned and secured outdoor community or cultural spaces.

Limitations

To be eligible, applicants must:

- Be based in South Australia
- Be a not-for-profit multicultural community organisation or a local council
- Hold an Australian Business Number (ABN), and
- Have a bank account held in the organisation's name.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19529/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19529/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19529/apply
Email: MulticulturalCommunityFund@sa.gov.au **Phone:** 08 8429 3200

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Multicultural Grants Program - Quick Response

Funding Provider
Department of People, Sport and Culture (NT)

Location
NT

Funding Type
Cash Grant G17911

Primary Category
Culturally and Linguistically Diverse (CALD) people

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
$2,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **1 May 2026**

Purpose

The aim of MGP Quick Response is to provide funding to assist with unplanned events or changing circumstances.

Overview

This scheme provides funding to assist with:

- unplanned events or
- changing circumstances.

Projects that will be considered are assessed on how well they meet the following criteria:

- Assist the community's knowledge and appreciation of different cultures
- foster opportunities for multicultural communities to maintain, develop and express their cultural and linguistic diversity
- are accessible and can be attended by the broader Northern Territory community.

Organisations can apply for a maximum of 2 grants under this scheme each financial year. Funding of up to $2,000 is available per application under this scheme.

Limitations

Funding is available to not for profit organisations only.

To be eligible for funding an organisation must

- be operating as a not for profit organisation
- be physically located and actively operating in the NT

Types of organisations that are eligible for funding include

- Not-for-profit and/or charitable incorporated multicultural community organisations
- Not-for-profit and/or charitable incorporated multicultural community organisations that are in partnership with other organisations to deliver a project
- Not-for-profit unincorporated multicultural community organisation that has an auspice organisation that has agreed to administer the grant
- Other incorporated, not-for-profit and/or charitable organisations where a proposed project meet the grant aim and criteria

Individuals, government, local government councils and private for-profit groups are not eligible for funding assistance through this program.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G17911/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G17911/guidelines
Email: DPSC.MulticulturalAffairs@nt.gov.au **Phone:** 08 8999 3894

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Multicultural Inclusion Grant

Funding Provider
Health and Community Services Directorate (ACT)

Location
ACT

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19782

Primary Category
Culturally and Linguistically Diverse (CALD) people

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Business

Funding
$6,000
Total Pool: $197,000

Rounds
Closes **24 Feb 2026**

Purpose

This program aims to fund projects that celebrate cultural diversity and enhance social cohesion in the ACT.

Overview

This grant is for projects and events in the ACT that celebrate:

- cultural diversity
- social cohesion.

The grant promotes:

- community participation
- cultural diversity
- inclusion in the ACT.

A grant of up to:

- $3,000 for a cultural celebration
- $6,000 for a community program.

Limitations

Organisations can apply if they:

- operate in the ACT
- are a non-government, legally incorporated entity, or supported by an incorporated auspicing organisation
- are a registered not-for-profit or a charitable organisation
- have no overdue acquittals
- have the right insurance to cover your activity.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19782/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19782/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19782/apply
Email: CSDGrants@act.gov.au

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Multicultural Infrastructure and Security Program

Funding Provider
Department of Premier and Cabinet (VIC)

Location
VIC

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19328

Primary Category
Culturally and Linguistically Diverse (CALD) people

Eligible to
Not-for-Profit

Funding
$400,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **5 Jan 2026**

Purpose

The Program will support Victoria's multicultural and multifaith community organisations to maintain and upgrade their community facilities and create a safe and secure place to celebrate and share their history and traditions.

Overview

The MISP acknowledges the importance of upgrading and securing community infrastructure that will support Victoria's diverse multicultural and multifaith communities to:

- celebrate and share their culture, history and traditions
- build community connections and networks to participate in society
- help communities to access social and cultural opportunities
- improve the security of community facilities

Up to $400,000 is available for Victorian multicultural and multifaith community organisations to support maintenance works, renovations, and security upgrades to their community facilities.

Organisations can apply for infrastructure activities for existing community facilities, including:

- maintenance
- upgrades
- renovation
- physical security
- security planning
- outdoor areas
- fixed assets
- project management.

Limitations

To apply for MISP, your organisation must meet all organisation eligibility criteria:

- Your organisation must be a multicultural or multifaith community organisation
- Your organisation must be an incorporated legal entity under one of the following:
    - the Associations Incorporation Reform Act 2012 (Vic) registered with Consumer Affairs Victoria
    - the Corporations Act 2001 (Cth) registered with the Australian Securities and Investments Commission (ASIC)
    - an Act of Parliament. You must provide a copy of the Act with your application
- Your organisation must have a current ABN matching the organisation's name in your application
- Your organisation must be a not-for-profit demonstrated under one of the following:
    - registered with the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission (ACNC)
    - registered as an incorporated association with Consumer Affairs Victoria (CAV)
    - registered as a company limited by guarantee with the Australian Securities and Investments Commission (ASIC)
    - a social enterprise with a clearly stated purpose or mission related to supporting Multicultural communities in Victoria. Social enterprises must attach their constitution, rules, or governance documents with their application.
    - Note: incorporated legal entities are considered not-for-profit entities.
- Your organisation must not be the responsibility of another ministerial portfolio (such as health, education, and sport and recreation)

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- Your organisation must be up-to-date with all requirements for grants your organisation currently has from Multicultural Affairs
- Your organisation must not have any active multicultural infrastructure grants managed by Multicultural Affairs.
- Your organisation must provide evidence that it can meet the cash contribution requirement to complete the project.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19328/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19328/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19328/apply
Email: multicultural.infrastructure@dpc.vic.gov.au

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WA Multicultural Awards

Funding Provider
Department of Creative Industries, Tourism and Sport (WA)

Location
WA

Funding Type
Award A00830

Primary Category
Culturally and Linguistically Diverse (CALD) people

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual

Funding
Total Pool: Unknown

Rounds
Closes **11 Jan 2026**

Purpose

The 2026 Western Australian Multicultural Awards recognise individuals and organisations for their outstanding contributions to multiculturalism and culturally and linguistically diverse (CaLD) communities in Western Australia.

Overview

The 2026 Western Australian Multicultural Awards will be held at the Ritz-Carlton Perth on Thursday 12 March 2026.

Nominations can be made across 10 award categories that celebrate multiculturalism in WA:

1. Premier's Public Sector Award
2. Outstanding Individual Achievement Award
3. Youth Award
4. Community Service and Support Awards
5. Business Award
6. Local Government Award
7. Artist of the Year Award
8. Sportsperson of the Year Award
9. Laksiri Jayasuriya Lifetime Community Service Award
10. Sir Ronald Wilson Leadership Award

Limitations

Who can submit a nomination?

- Nominations are invited from any member of the Western Australian community.
- Self-nominations for individual categories are not accepted. Please check the eligibility criteria for each award.

Who can be nominated?

- Nominations must meet the eligibility requirements and selection criteria for the category.
- You can nominate the same person or organisation for more than one category, but they can only receive one award.
- Past winners of a Multicultural Award are eligible for an award in the same category, but not for the same project.

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- In the individual categories, nominees will not be eligible for awards recognising achievements that were directly related to their employment in the public sector.
- The Office of Multicultural Interests may move a nomination into another category if deemed more appropriate.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Email, Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/A00830/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/A00830/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/A00830/apply
Email: harmony@omi.wa.gov.au **Phone:** 61 8 6552 7300

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Game on for Change - Expanding Reach (Medium) and Whole-of Action (Large)

Funding Provider
Department of Creative Industries, Tourism, Hospitality and Sport (NSW)

Location
NSW

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19706

Primary Category
Domestic and family violence

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- University
- Business
- Local Govt
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
Amount: $75,001 to $450,000

Rounds
Closes **4 Mar 2026 1:00 pm**

Purpose

The Game on for Change - Preventing Domestic, Family and Sexual Violence through Sport Program aims to empower all levels of the sporting sector to play a leading role in the prevention of domestic, family and sexual violence.

Overview

Program objective

- Identifying and scaling up evidence-based prevention initiatives, whilst testing and evaluating new approaches to build the evidence base and foster safe, respectful and inclusive environments.
- Establishing and/or strengthening partnerships between the sport and primary prevention sector to build shared capacity, align efforts, and embed prevention practices across sporting environments.
- Ensuring prevention initiatives in sport are inclusive and responsive to diverse lived experiences, recognising how intersecting identities influence participation, safety and access to support.

'Expanding Reach' (Medium)

- Supports medium-scale projects that extend impact beyond a single organisation or group.
- This tier is designed, but not limited to, initiatives that engage additional or multiple groups within the same club or association and/or increase reach into new clubs or settings such as by delivering in new locations.

'"Whole-Of" Action' (Large)

- Supports large-scale projects delivered across an entire sporting code or local government area.
- This tier is designed, but not limited to, initiatives that either engage multiple groups within multiple clubs or settings or engage a single group across every club within the code's or organisation's remit.

Limitations

Who can apply:
- Incorporated, community-based or not-for-profit organisation.
- NSW based professional sporting organisations competing in a national or state competition.
- Local government authority in New South Wales.
- Regional Joint Organisation of councils, the Lord Howe Island Board and the Unincorporated Far West groups.

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- Private enterprise (company established under the Corporations Act 2001 (Cth), incorporated association established under the Associations Incorporation Act 2009 (NSW) or incorporated limited partnership established under the Partnership Act 1892 (NSW).
- an Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Corporation registered under the Corporations (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander) Act 2006 (Cth).
- a Local Aboriginal Land Council (LALC) under the Aboriginal Land Rights Act 1983 (NSW).
- an Australian university either located in NSW or with campuses located in NSW.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19706/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19706/guidelines

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19706/apply
Email: grantsunit@sport.nsw.gov.au **Phone:** 13 13 02

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Game on for Change - Local Impact (Small)

Funding Provider
Department of Creative Industries, Tourism, Hospitality and Sport (NSW)

Location
NSW

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19707

Primary Category
Domestic and family violence

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- University
- Local Govt
- Business
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
Amount: $15,000 to $75,000

Rounds
Closes **18 Feb 2026 1:00 pm**

Purpose

The Game on for Change - Preventing Domestic, Family and Sexual Violence through Sport Program aims to empower all levels of the sporting sector to play a leading role in the prevention of domestic, family and sexual violence.

Overview

Program objective

- Identifying and scaling up evidence-based prevention initiatives, whilst testing and evaluating new approaches to build the evidence base and foster safe, respectful and inclusive environments.
- Establishing and/or strengthening partnerships between the sport and primary prevention sector to build shared capacity, align efforts, and embed prevention practices across sporting environments.
- Ensuring prevention initiatives in sport are inclusive and responsive to diverse lived experiences, recognising how intersecting identities influence participation, safety and access to support.

Local Impact' (Small)

- Supports small-scale projects delivered at the local level.
- This tier is designed, but not limited to, projects that make change at the local level, generally working with one club or organisation.

Limitations

Who can apply:

- Incorporated, community-based or not-for-profit organisation.
- NSW based professional sporting organisations competing in a national or state competition.
- Local government authority in New South Wales.
- Regional Joint Organisation of councils, the Lord Howe Island Board and the Unincorporated Far West groups.
- Private enterprise (company established under the Corporations Act 2001 (Cth), incorporated association established under the Associations Incorporation Act 2009 (NSW) or incorporated limited partnership established under the Partnership Act 1892 (NSW).

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- an Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Corporation registered under the Corporations (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander) Act 2006 (Cth).
- a Local Aboriginal Land Council (LALC) under the Aboriginal Land Rights Act 1983 (NSW).
- an Australian university either located in NSW or with campuses located in NSW.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19707/info
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19707/apply
Email: grantsunit@sport.nsw.gov.au **Phone:** 13 13 02

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The Leaving Violence Program

Funding Provider
Commonwealth Department of Social Services

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G18244

Primary Category
Domestic and family violence

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$5,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Leaving Violence Program supports people leaving a partner who uses violence with financial and other supports. This program has replaced the Escaping Violence Payment.

Overview

The Leaving Violence Program supports people leaving a partner who uses violence with financial and other supports. This can be a risky time. The Program is available to eligible victim-survivors regardless of gender or visa status.

The Program is delivered through the National Program and 4 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander-led service providers based in the Broome WA, Cairns QLD, Darwin NT and Dubbo NSW regions.

Eligible victim survivors can access up to 12 weeks of support that includes:
- financial support of up to $5,000 (with up to $1,500 via bank transfer and up to $3,500 in goods and services);
- risk and needs assessments;
- safety planning;
- referral services to other supports that can help such as counselling, legal assistance, specialist family and domestic violence case management, financial counselling for support with debts, and other community support services.

Limitations

To be eligible for support through the Leaving Violence Program, you must meet **all** of the below eligibility criteria:
- be a victim-survivor experiencing Intimate Partner Violence;
- have left or have a plan to leave a violent Intimate Partner Relationship;
- have changed, or have been planning to change, how or where you live in the past 12 weeks because of the violence. This can, for example, be that you:
    - have left your shared home, or
    - partner has left or been made to leave your shared home and you have stayed in the home, or
    - have a plan or want help to make a plan, to leave a partner who uses violence and change your living arrangement;
- be 18 years or older;
- reside in Australia and have a current address; (at the time of application as an Australian citizen, permanent resident, or temporary visa holder);
- be experiencing financial stress;

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- have not been supported through the Leaving Violence Program, Escaping Violence Payment (EVP) trial, or the Temporary Visa Holders Experiencing Violence Pilot in the last 12 months.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G18244/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G18244/apply
Phone: 1800 253 283

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Energy Innovation Fund - Innovation Ecosystem Grant

Funding Provider
Environment, Planning and Sustainable Development Directorate (ACT)

Location
ACT

Funding Type
Cash Grant G14204

Primary Category
Economic development

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- University
- Business

Funding
Amount: $30,000 to $300,000
Total Pool: $3,250,000

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The purpose of the Energy Innovation Fund is to drive the development of a vibrant, sustainable, export-oriented energy transition industry in the Territory to create jobs and grow and diversify the ACT economy.

Overview

This funding stream includes two sub-categories of support:

- Innovation Clusters: we welcome proposals to facilitate collaboration and investment opportunities in developing energy innovation sub-sectors and clusters in the ACT.
- Business Accelerator: funding support for technological or product-based innovation based in the ACT to scale up to Australia and markets beyond.

Funding stream 3 (Innovation Ecosystem Grant) will remain open at all times. Focus areas for funding support will be updated on the ACT's Everyday Climate Choices website, with a deadline each quarter for proposals to be assessed.

Funding

A total of up to $3.25 million is available to support innovation ecosystems building in the ACT over 5 years.

Organisations can apply for funding between $30,000 and $300,000 (excluding GST) per grant. The same application can only be made once each year, unless invited to resubmit by the assessment panel.

Scope

The funding scope for stream 3 is consistent with the funding scope provided at Appendix A in the guidelines.

Innovation Clusters: Building on the ACT's thriving knowledge economy and a strong renewables presence, the ACT Government invites proposals to expand the ACT's energy transition innovation ecosystem and strengthen the energy innovation industry capability.

Business Accelerator: The ACT Government invites innovative proposals from businesses that support the development of a pioneering and nation-leading electrification industry in the ACT, with export potential.

Limitations

General eligibility criteria

A lead organisation seeking a grant under the Energy Innovation Fund must:

- Have an Australian Business Number (ABN).

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- Hold all insurances required by law, including $10 million public liability insurance and workers compensation, or be prepared to acquire these if successful in gaining an Energy Innovation Fund grant.
- Be an ACT based organisation, OR the majority of the proposed funded activities must occur within the ACT.
- Have demonstrated satisfactorily acquitted or meeting outstanding grant milestones, reporting requirements, and obligations, including financial acquittals for previous Energy Innovation Fund funding.
- Be able to demonstrate a contribution towards the ACT's target of net zero emissions by 2045.
- Be registered for the Goods and Services Tax (GST) if applicable (if turnover is greater than $150,000 per annum).
- Businesses that support First Nations communities and people experiencing and people experiencing vulnerability will be regarded positively. Registered Indigenous businesses are particularly encouraged to apply.

Who is not eligible to apply?

The following are not eligible to receive funding under the Energy Innovation Fund:

- Organisations who are unsuccessful in securing a grant during the same calendar year, for the same project.
- A Commonwealth, state or territory government agency.
- Universities and other research institutions are only eligible if they partner with a business, with an independent ABN, as the lead applicant. **Universities and other research institutions may not apply as the lead applicant, except under stream 2: Policy Challenge Grant.*

Applicants must disclose any legal proceedings or investigation deemed relevant to the grant, including litigation, arbitration, mediation or conciliation that are taking place, pending or (to the best of the applicant's knowledge, after having made proper enquiry) threatened against the applicant or a related body corporate (as defined in the Corporations Act).

Applicants are not eligible if:

- the Territory determines that any information provided by the applicant regarding legal proceedings or investigations materially impacts their suitability as a grant recipient
- the organisation and individual shareholders of the organisation are subject to any insolvency event.
- the applicant or organisation are named on the Australian Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade sanctions list

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G14204/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G14204/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G14204/apply
Email: EPSDD.EnergyInnovationFund@act.gov.au

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Energy Innovation Fund - Policy Challenge Grant

Funding Provider
Environment, Planning and Sustainable Development Directorate (ACT)

Location
ACT

Funding Type
Cash Grant G14203

Primary Category
Economic development

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- University
- Business

Funding
Amount: $20,000 to $500,000
Total Pool: $3,750,000

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The purpose of the Energy Innovation Fund is to drive the development of a vibrant, sustainable, export-oriented energy transition industry in the Territory to create jobs and grow and diversify the ACT economy.

Overview

The Policy Challenge Grant supports the advancement in ACT's energy transition policy.

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EPSDD will welcome applications from the business sector, regulatory experts, as well as think tanks and research institutions that focus on the stated policy challenge.

Successful applications will be supported with funding to test new ideas that respond to the policy challenge. The expected outcomes from funding stream 2 (Policy Challenge Grant) are:

- Incentivising research-innovation-policy partnerships and collaborative proposals between research and industry.
- Accelerating the ACT's energy transition.

This years theme for funding includes:

- Theme 1: Optimising the orchestration of consumer energy resources
- Theme 2: Pathways to repurpose gas infrastructure and explore green gas use

Applications for the Policy Challenge Grant are also open year round, however the grant theme will change every year. Applications for the grant under the current theme close on **31 December 2025**. See the funders website for further details.

Funding

Up to $3.75 million is available to support solutions addressing the energy transformation policy challenges in the ACT.

Organisations can apply for funding between $20,000 and $500,000 (excluding GST) per grant. The same application can only be made once each year, unless invited to resubmit by the assessment panel.

Scope

Grants will provide support for proposals consistent with the funding scope provided at Appendix A in the guidelines. Further detail on the prescribed policy challenge will be made available on the ACT's Everyday Climate Choices website.

The grants will support the development of projects including policy white papers, new business solutions, or new regulatory sandboxing trials tailored to address the ACT's specific energy transition needs.

Limitations

Eligibility

- Businesses with expertise in the energy transition, with an independent ABN.
- Universities, think tanks and other research institutions with expertise in the energy transition. Partnership with businesses is particularly encouraged.

General eligibility criteria

A lead organisation seeking a grant under the Energy Innovation Fund must:

- Have an Australian Business Number (ABN).
- Hold all insurances required by law, including $10 million public liability insurance and workers compensation, or be prepared to acquire these if successful in gaining an Energy Innovation Fund grant.
- Be an ACT based organisation, OR the majority of the proposed funded activities must occur within the ACT.
- Have demonstrated satisfactorily acquitted or meeting outstanding grant milestones, reporting requirements, and obligations, including financial acquittals for previous Energy Innovation Fund funding.
- Be able to demonstrate a contribution towards the ACT's target of net zero emissions by 2045.
- Be registered for the Goods and Services Tax (GST) if applicable (if turnover is greater than $150,000 per annum).
- Businesses that support First Nations communities and people experiencing and people experiencing vulnerability will be regarded positively. Registered Indigenous businesses are particularly encouraged to apply.

Who is not eligible to apply?

The following are not eligible to receive funding under the Energy Innovation Fund:

- Organisations who are unsuccessful in securing a grant during the same calendar year, for the same project.
- A Commonwealth, state or territory government agency.
- Universities and other research institutions are only eligible if they partner with a business, with an independent ABN, as the lead applicant. **Universities and other research institutions may not apply as the lead applicant, except under stream 2: Policy Challenge Grant.*

Applicants must disclose any legal proceedings or investigation deemed relevant to the grant, including litigation, arbitration, mediation or conciliation that are taking place, pending or (to the best of the applicant's knowledge, after having made proper enquiry) threatened against the applicant or a related body corporate (as defined in the Corporations Act).

Applicants are not eligible if:

- the Territory determines that any information provided by the applicant regarding legal proceedings or investigations materially impacts their suitability as a grant recipient
- the organisation and individual shareholders of the organisation are subject to any insolvency event.

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- the applicant or organisation are named on the Australian Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade sanctions list

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
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Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G14203/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G14203/apply
Email: EPSDD.EnergyInnovationFund@act.gov.au

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Energy Innovation Fund - Technology Demonstration Grant

Funding Provider
Environment, Planning and Sustainable Development Directorate (ACT)

Location
ACT

Funding Type
Cash Grant G14201

Primary Category
Economic development

Eligible to
Business

Funding
Amount: $50,000 to $1,000,000
Total Pool: $10,000,000

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The purpose of the Energy Innovation Fund is to drive the development of a vibrant, sustainable, export-oriented energy transition industry in the Territory to create jobs and grow and diversify the ACT economy.

Overview

The ACT is an internationally recognised destination for world-class renewable energy research and innovation. It is an incubator for energy technologies, from software management systems for renewable energy assets, to distributed energy resources (DER), virtual power plants (VPP), energy storage and grid integration, renewable hydrogen, 'sector coupling' and electrification. These strengths are supported by the ACT's excellent research and development capabilities.

Funding stream 1 (Technology Demonstration Grant) will support energy innovation projects, through technology research, development and demonstrations, that have relevance and applicability to the ACT's energy transformation as well as potential for export.

The expected outcomes from funding stream 1 are to enhance:

- Energy transition innovation technologies with the potential to export outside the ACT
- The acceleration of research, development, and commercialisation of critical renewable energy and enabling technologies
- Translating research into commercial applicaitons
- Incentivising collaboration across industry and research organisations
- The growth and development of the ACT renewable energy sector

Funding

A total of up to $10 million for Stream 1 is available over 5 years. Organisations can apply for funding between $50,000 and $1,000,000 (excluding GST) per grant. The same application can only be made once each year, unless invited to resubmit by the assessment panel.

Funding stream 1 aims to provide early-stage funding to businesses within the ACT to support new and emerging technologies, ventures, and activities consistent with the funding scope provided at Appendix A of the guidelines.

Funding will focus on commercially oriented energy transition innovation, while remaining technology agnostic. The Fund is open to innovative proposals from companies irrespective of the energy subsector they represent.

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Examples could include but are not limited to: emerging storage technologies; innovative electricity demand-side solutions; or innovative business models for zero emissions transport.

Funding stream 1 will remain open at all times for submissions, with a deadline each quarter for proposals to be assessed.

Limitations

Eligibility

A lead organisation seeking a Technology Demonstration Grant must:

- Be able to achieve all project milestones within three years of commencement.
- Be able to demonstrate the minimum 1:1 matched co-contribution. While co-contributions can include in-kind contributions, higher cash contributions will be viewed favourably during assessment.

General eligibility criteria

A lead organisation seeking a grant under the Energy Innovation Fund must:

- Have an Australian Business Number (ABN).
- Hold all insurances required by law, including $10 million public liability insurance and workers compensation, or be prepared to acquire these if successful in gaining an Energy Innovation Fund grant.
- Be an ACT based organisation, OR the majority of the proposed funded activities must occur within the ACT.
- Have demonstrated satisfactorily acquitted or meeting outstanding grant milestones, reporting requirements, and obligations, including financial acquittals for previous Energy Innovation Fund funding.
- Be able to demonstrate a contribution towards the ACT's target of net zero emissions by 2045.
- Be registered for the Goods and Services Tax (GST) if applicable (if turnover is greater than $150,000 per annum).
- Businesses that support First Nations communities and people experiencing and people experiencing vulnerability will be regarded positively. Registered Indigenous businesses are particularly encouraged to apply.

Applications / Guidelines

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QSBC Regional Place Activation Program

Funding Providers
Renew Australia
Queensland Small Business Commissioner (QSBC)

Location
Barcaldine
Douglas
Cassowary Coast
Isaac
Hinchinbrook
Livingstone
Charters Towers
Banana
Winton
Mount Isa

Funding Type
In-kind Contribution U00483

Primary Category
Economic development

Eligible to
Business

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
not defined

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Purpose

The Queensland Small Business Commissioner (QSBC) has partnered with Renew Australia to offer a space activation program tailored for towns across regional and remote Queensland.

Overview

Councils with a population of less than 50,000, who are members of the Small Business Friendly Program were encouraged to apply to participate in this program, with the Renew Australia costs funded by the QSBC.

The following Councils were selected as the first cohort in the Regional Place Activation Program, which launched in August 2024:

- Cassowary Coast Regional Council
- Livingstone Shire Council
- Mt Isa City Council
- Hinchinbrook Shire Council

A further 6 Councils will be participating in cohort 2 of the Regional Place Activation Program, which launched in November 2024.

- Banana Shire Council Renew Banana Shire
- Barcaldine Regional Council Renew Barcaldine Region
- Charters Towers Regional Council Renew Charters Towers
- Douglas Shire Council Renew Tropical Douglas
- Isaac Regional Council Renew Isaac
- Winton Shire Council Renew Winton.

How it works

The program will involve collaborating with property owners to offer local creative small businesses and entrepreneurs rent free access to vacant commercial spaces in main streets and town centres. The overarching goal is to foster the evolution of local small businesses and cultivate more vibrant and active precincts.

The selected Councils will undertake a do-it-yourself (DIY) space activation initiative using the Renew Australia affiliate model and accompanying services. Councils will have access to licence agreements and operational, reporting and insurance support. This package includes a Micro Affiliate Membership, program training and ongoing guidance from the Renew Australia team.

Limitations

Creative Queensland small businesses in the Cassowary Coast, Hinchinbrook, Livingstone and Mount Isa council areas are invited to apply. Applications will remain open throughout the program.

Creative Queensland small businesses in the Banana, Barcaldine, Charters Towers, Douglas, Isaac and Winton council areas were invited to apply in December 2024.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00483/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00483/apply
Email: QSBC@renewaustralia.org

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Regional Economic Development (RED) Grants - Goldfields-Esperance

Funding Providers
Goldfields-Esperance Development Commission
Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development (WA)

Location
WA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19404

Primary Category
Economic development

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- University
- Local Govt
- Business

Funding
$250,000

Rounds
Closes **9 Jan 2026**

Purpose

The Regional Economic Development (RED) Grants Program is a State Government initiative investing $50.58 million in funding over 9 years (2018-19 to 2026-27) in local projects to stimulate economic growth and development in regional Western Australia.

Overview

Delivered locally by the Goldfields-Esperance Development Commission (GEDC), up to $250,000 is available for individual projects that promote sustainable jobs and workforce solutions, productivity, skills and capability building, as well as stimulating new investment and industry diversification across the region.

The grants boost investment in regional projects that contribute to population and economic growth initiatives and innovative pilots, and importantly, are driven by the community.

Applications for funding are assessed on a competitive basis, considering their alignment with the GEDC's strategic regional priorities and clear demonstration of economic diversification and employment outcomes, including the following REDs objectives:

- sustainable jobs
- expanding or diversifying industry
- developing skills or capabilities
- attracting new investment in the region
- increasing productivity

Limitations

Eligibility

To be eligible for RED Grant funding an applicant must:

- be a legal entity capable of entering into a legally binding and enforceable financial assistance agreement (Grant Agreement) with the Western Australian State Government;
- have an Australian Business Number (ABN);
- have an account with an authorised deposit-taking institution (an Australian financial institution or bank) registered with the Australian Prudential Regulation Authority.

Who is not eligible?

You are not eligible to apply if you are a:

- State or Federal Government Agency;
- Government Trading Enterprise (GTE);
- School; or
- Hospital.
- A Trustee that is not empowered through the Trust Deed to enter into an agreement with the State Government to receive funding.

Items or activities that are not eligible for funding include:

- Retrospective payments or expenditure incurred prior to execution of a RED Grants funding agreement.

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- Ongoing costs incurred after the initiative is completed (e.g. operating and maintenance costs).
- Existing staff salaries for core business activities.
- Operational overheads (such as rent, insurance, telephone etc.).

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19404/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19404/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19404/apply
Email: grants@gedc.wa.gov.au **Phone:** 9080 5000

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Regional Economic Development (RED) Grants Scheme - South West

Funding Providers
South West Development Commission (WA)
Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development (WA)

Location
WA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19422

Primary Category
Economic development

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- University
- Local Govt
- Business

Funding
$150,000
Total Pool: $5,000,000

Rounds
Closes **9 Jan 2026**

Purpose

The RED Grants program is a State Government initiative that invests in community driven projects that contribute to economic growth and development in regional Western Australia.

Overview

The grants will support individual projects that promote sustainable jobs, partnerships, productivity, skills and capability, as well as stimulate new investment and industry diversification.

Eligible applicants can apply for RED Grants funding of up to $150,000 for individual projects in Round 8.

Objectives and Scope

The RED Grants Program provides funding to support locally driven projects that will contribute to economic growth in regional communities.

The objectives of the RED Grants Program include:

- sustainable jobs;
- expanding or diversifying industry;
- developing skills or capabilities;
- attracting new investment in the region;
- increasing productivity

Limitations

Eligibility

To be eligible for RED Grant funding an applicant must:

- be a legal entity capable of entering into a legally binding and enforceable financial assistance agreement (Grant Agreement) with the Western Australian State Government;
- have an Australian Business Number (ABN);

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- have an account with an authorised deposit-taking institution (an Australian financial institution or bank) registered with the Australian Prudential Regulation Authority.

Who is not eligible?

You are not eligible to apply if you are:

- A State or Federal Government Agency.
- Government Trading Enterprise (GTE)
- School or
- Hospital.
- A Trustee that is not empowered through the Trust Deed to enter into an agreement with the State Government to receive funding.

Items that are **not** eligible for funding include:

- Ongoing costs incurred after the project is completed (e.g. operating and maintenance costs)
- Retrospective payments or expenditure incurred prior to execution of a RED Grants agreement.
- Existing staff salaries.
- GST payments.
- Operational overheads (such as rent, insurance, telephone etc.).

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19422/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19422/guidelines

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19422/apply
Email: grantscoordinator@swdc.wa.gov.au **Phone:** 9792 2000

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Special Entertainment Precinct Kickstart Grant Program - Round 2

Funding Provider
Create NSW

Location
NSW

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19521

Primary Category
Economic development

Eligible to
Local Govt

Funding
Amount: $20,000 to $250,000

Rounds
Closes **13 Apr 2026**

Purpose

Special Entertainment Precincts (SEPs) have been developed by the NSW Government as a tool for local councils to help unlock the potential of their night-time economies, encourage live performance and support vibrant going-out precincts.

Overview

The purpose of the Program is to encourage councils to take up and implement trial SEPs across NSW and integrate the Purple Flag principles for excellence in night-time precinct management into the creation of sustainable and successful SEPs. It will also support actions under the NSW 24-Hour Economy Strategy to foster collaboration and create vibrant, diverse and coordinated precincts.

The objectives of the Program are to:

- support councils to establish sustainable and successful SEPs
- support actions under the NSW 24-Hour Economy Strategy to foster collaboration and create vibrant, diverse and coordinated precincts
- support streamlined and strategically placed night-time economy growth
- support safe, accessible and well-managed night-life precincts.

A total of $1,250,000 (excluding GST) in FY 2025/26 has been committed for this Program.

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The amount available for each eligible council is:

- $20,000 to $200,000 (excluding GST) for the purpose of establishing a SEP/s; and an additional
- $10,000 to $50,000 (excluding GST) for the purpose of investigating Purple Flag accreditation including the costs of preparing a Purple Flag self-assessment report (unless a council already has an existing Purple Flag accreditation that covers a boundary within the proposed SEP/s)

The Program will be open from 10 November 2025 to 13 April 2026, or may close earlier if the Program funding is fully exhausted prior to this date.

Limitations

To be eligible for the Program, applicants must:

- be a local council in NSW who has not previously received funding from the NSW Government to establish a SEP; and
- have a Council resolution to:
    - establish the SEP/s, which must identify a specific location and boundary for the SEP/s; and
    - commit to establishing a Special Entertainment Precinct Working Group (PWG); and
    - investigate Purple Flag accreditation for the same boundary as the proposed SEP/s in the project period; unless a council already has an existing Purple Flag accreditation that covers a boundary within the proposed SEP/s and

To demonstrate that the SEP/s align with council's strategic policies, applicants must align with at least one of the following:

- an adopted Night-Time Economy strategy; or
- another strategic council document that references the night-time economy as a key objective, priority, pillar or action; or
- resolved to prepare a night-time economy strategy and have other demonstrated strategic context including a visitor economy strategy or plan or economic development strategy or plan.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19521/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19521/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19521/apply
Email: SEPs@24houreconomy.nsw.gov.au

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Tiny Towns Fund

Funding Provider
Department of Jobs, Skills, Industry and Regions (DJSIR) (VIC)

Location
VIC

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19614

Primary Category
Economic development

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Local Govt
- Business
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
Amount: $5,000 to $50,000

Rounds
Closes **5 Feb 2026 4:00 pm**

Purpose

The new Tiny Towns Fund will support local communities to deliver quality tourism and community facility projects, such as splash parks and bike trails, playgrounds, community hall and library upgrades, public art and more.

Overview

The Tiny Towns Fund responds to the needs of local people and aims to increase liveability, opportunity and prosperity in small towns in Victoria.

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The fund will:

- support economic development within small towns as places where local businesses can thrive
- address gaps in community infrastructure and facilities in Victoria's smallest communities
- build community pride and enhance living, working, socialising and recreation in small towns
- strengthen social cohesion and support the increased participation in community life and community inclusion of all residents, including Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Victorians, people living with disability, LGBTQIA+ communities and people from culturally and linguistically diverse (CALD) backgrounds and isolated communities
- increase the capacity of community groups and local organisations to provide leadership and connect, service and engage residents in small towns.

Limitations

Applicant organisations must:

- hold an Australian Business Number (ABN)
- be an eligible legal entity type as list below; and
- operate in a Victorian location (irrespective of where the applicant is based).

Eligible applicants include:

- an Incorporated not-for-profit association
- a Victorian local government
- a Crown land Committee of Management
- a Victorian Alpine Resort
- Australian public companies limited by guarantee whose governing rules demonstrate a not-for-profit purpose
- an indigenous organisation incorporated under the *Corporations (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander) Act 2006*
- an industry association or business chambers; or
- a co-operative, registered in Victoria under the Co-operatives National Law.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19614/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19614/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19614/apply
Website: https://www.rdv.vic.gov.au/about-us/contacts-and-assistance **Phone:** 1800 878 969

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Aboriginal Languages Educational Scholarship Program

Funding Provider
Aboriginal Languages Trust

Location
NSW

Funding Type
Scholarship S05758

Primary Category
Education

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
Amount: $1,000 to $50,000
Total Pool: $300,000

Rounds
Closes **23 Jan 2026 5:00 PM**

Purpose

The purpose of the ALT Educational Scholarship Program is to revive, grow and nurture Aboriginal Languages across NSW by supporting individuals who are undertaking training or education related to learning or teaching Aboriginal Language.

Overview

The purpose of the ALT Educational Scholarship Program is to:

- support Aboriginal individuals undertake their Languages training and education to grow the number of Aboriginal Languages speakers, educators and teachers across NSW Communities

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- undertake research to strengthen the use and practice of Aboriginal Languages within NSW Aboriginal Communities, whilst valuing Aboriginal ways of knowing, being and doing and ensuring Community has sovereignty over Language research outcomes.

There are three tiers of funding are:

Tier 1 – Community and NSW TAFE Scholarship - $1,000 - $9,999

To grow the number of Aboriginal Language speakers, by providing financial assistance (grant) to Aboriginal individuals to enable them to access, attend and complete courses that develop their understanding and interest in Aboriginal Languages.

Tier 2 – Undergraduate and Master's Scholarship - $10,000 - $24,999

To nurture and strengthen Aboriginal Languages Knowledge, practice and qualifications of Aboriginal Languages across the NSW Aboriginal Languages Community, by financially assisting Aboriginal individuals, to undertake tertiary level Language studies.

Tier 3 – Research Scholarship - $25,000 - $50,000

To financially assist Individuals to enable them to successfully complete recognised and supported research, to build and strengthen Aboriginal Languages capacity, education, practice and Knowledge, whilst decolonising academia and valuing Aboriginal ways of knowing, being and doing. (Research outcomes must be published by grantee and free to use and access by all NSW Aboriginal Language Organisations and the wider NSW Aboriginal Community).

Limitations

Eligible applicants must meet each of the following criteria:

Tier 1 Scholarship

- Identifies and is recognised by their Community as an Aboriginal person
- A NSW Resident
- Enrolled in an Aboriginal Language Course (or module(s)) at an ALT recognised Aboriginal Community Languages Organisation or NSW TAFE

Tier 2 Scholarship

- Identifies and is recognised by their Community as an Aboriginal person
- A NSW Resident
- Enrolled in an Undergraduate or Master's degree or studying Postgraduate Module(s)

Tier 3 Scholarship

- Identifies and is recognised by their Community as an Aboriginal person
- A NSW Resident
- Enrolled in a PhD or Doctorate in NSW relating to Aboriginal Languages research or Engaged by an ALT recognised Aboriginal Languages Community Organisation to undertake Aboriginal Languages research (for Community-led research projects - not delivered by a Tertiary Institution)

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
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Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Scholarships

Funding Provider
CPA Australia

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Scholarship S05353

Primary Category
Education

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **31 Dec 2025**

Last Round
Closed **31 Dec 2024**

Purpose

The scholarship aims to help recipients to meet the educational requirements for CPA status, and demonstrate their commitment to learning to potential employers.

Overview

CPA Australia offers up to five (5) scholarships annually for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. The scholarship will assist recipients with financial support to assist them in meeting the educational requirements needed to attain CPA status. Scholarship recipients will receive complimentary enrolment for CPA Program subjects not yet undertaken, and one waived CPA Australia Associate (ASA) membership fee for three (3) consecutive years of membership.

Applications Open: 1 January to 31 December

Applications Close: Once allocation is exhausted for the year.

Limitations

To be eligible for the scholarship, applicants must:

- be aged 18 years or over;
- be assessed or have been assessed as eligible to join CPA Australia at Associate level. To be eligible to join as Associate member, you must have completed a CPA Australia-Accredited Course* or be assessed as meeting all of the Foundation competency requirements (including those meeting requirements all Foundation requirements through the Experience-Based Pathway); and
- be an Australian resident for tax purposes and residing in Australia for the duration of the scholarship.

To complete the CPA Program and gain full membership status, applicants must hold as a minimum, an Australian bachelors degree or equivalent that is accredited by CPA Australia, or an overseas bachelors degree that CPA Australia has assessed as being comparable to an Australian bachelors degree. Applicants may need to complete additional accredited units to meet Associate membership requirements. Applicants can apply to join CPA Australia as an Associate member before satisfying the degree requirements for full membership.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05353/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05353/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05353/apply
Email: MemberService@cpaaustralia.com.au

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Addressing Critical Psychology - Postgraduate Psychology Incentive Program Round 3

Funding Provider
Department of Health, Disability and Ageing

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19835

Primary Category
Education

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- State Govt
- University
- Business
- Local Govt
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
Total Pool: $16,052,300

Rounds
Closes **11 Mar 2026 2pm**

Purpose

The Postgraduate Psychology Incentive Program aims to support higher education providers who have created additional postgraduate psychology places in courses which lead to general registration and can lead to relevant areas of practice endorsement.

Overview

Funding under the program will be available over 4 grant rounds, with one round opening each financial year from 2023-24 to 2026-27. Eligible organisations will be required to apply for each individual round as they become available.

The grant opportunity will be available over four separate grant rounds (with one opening each financial year) and will provide up to $61,408,297.50 (GST inclusive) over four years (2023-24 to 2026-27).

Round 3 (of this grant opportunity) will provide up to $16,052,300 (GST inclusive) in 2025-26 to higher education providers to support additional postgraduate psychology places in courses which lead to general registration and areas of practice endorsement.

The purpose of this grant opportunity is to create a scalable, sustainable measure to build capacity within higher education providers to grow the postgraduate qualified psychology workforce to alleviate pressure in the system.

The objectives of the grant opportunity are to:

- support higher education providers creating additional postgraduate places in relevant psychology courses
- allow more students to study postgraduate psychology, and
- boost the psychology training pipeline by training more students that can go on to work in the mental health sector upon graduation.

The intended outcomes of the grant opportunity are:

- to increase the availability of postgraduate places in relevant courses to support students to complete the training pathway and obtain general registration, and
- provide interim actions to immediately address some of the known bottlenecks in the postgraduate psychology training pathway.

Limitations

To apply for funding under this grant opportunity you must:

- have an Australian Business Number (ABN)
- be registered for the purposes of GST
- have an account with an Australian financial institution
- be an Australian higher education provider registered with TEQSA and approved to:
    - offer Commonwealth Supported Places and
    - offer postgraduate psychology courses which lead to general registration and can lead to the following areas of practice endorsement (as outlined on the Psychology Board of Australia website):
        - clinical neuropsychology
        - clinical psychology
        - community psychology
        - counselling psychology
        - health psychology
        - educational and developmental psychology

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- forensic psychology
- organisational psychology
- sport and exercise psychology

- be one of the following entity types:
  - Indigenous Corporation (registered under the Corporations (Aboriginal and /or Torres Strait Islander) Act 2006)
  - company
  - corporate Commonwealth entity
  - non-corporate Commonwealth statutory authority
  - corporate state or territory entity
  - non-corporate state or territory entity
  - non-corporate state or territory statutory authority
  - cooperative
  - incorporated association
  - other incorporated entity
  - statutory entity
  - partnership, and
  - unincorporated association.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19835/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19835/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19835/apply
Email: Grant.ATM@health.gov.au **Phone:** 1300 484 145

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Australian Lending Rights Scheme

Funding Provider
Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communications, Sport and the Arts

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G17406

Primary Category
Education

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Business

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **31 Mar 2026**

Purpose

To make payments to eligible Australian creators and publishers on the basis that income is lost from the availability of their books for use in public lending libraries.

Overview

Public Lending Right (PLR) and Educational Lending Right (ELR) are Australian Government programs that compensate Australian creators and publishers in recognition of income lost through free multiple use of their books in public and educational lending libraries. These programs support the enrichment of Australian culture by encouraging the growth and development of Australian writing.

A creator or a publisher must register and submit title claims within five years from the year of publication. Books are surveyed in a sample of either public lending libraries (PLR) or school, TAFE and university libraries (ELR).

Important changes:

- ebook and audiobook title claims can be submitted for Lending Rights.

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Limitations

Eligible creators are:

- authors, editors, illustrators, translators and compilers
- Australian citizens, wherever they reside, or non-citizens who normally reside in Australia (eligibility ceases if residency in Australia ceases)
- those who receive on-going royalties from the sale of their book.

Eligible publishers are:

- companies whose business consists wholly or substantially of the publication of books and who regularly publish in Australia—'regularly publish' is defined as at least once in the preceding three year period
- non-profit organisations that publish to further their aims or objectives
- self-publishing creators.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G17406/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G17406/apply
Address:
Email: lendingrights@arts.gov.au **Phone:** 1800 672 842

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BHI TQEH Research Scholarships

Funding Provider
The Hospital Research Foundation Group

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Scholarship S05737

Primary Category
Education

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$8,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **30 Jan 2026**

Purpose

Through teaching and research affiliations with all South Australian universities, the BHI provides valuable basic and clinical research training opportunities.

Overview

THRF Group's funding is supporting the following research scholarship categories:

- Vacation Scholarships of up to $200/week for a maximum of eight (8) weeks
- Honours Scholarships of $5,000 for one (1) year
- Masters by Coursework of $5,000 per year for up to two (2) years
- Top-up for Higher Degree by Research students of an additional $8,000 per year for either a PhD (up to 3.5 years) or Masters (2 years).

Limitations

Applicants must:

- be enrolled in or be accepted for enrolment in an HDR program at a university in South Australia, commencing in 2026 and no later than 1st July 2026
- have applied for or been awarded a competitive university HDR scholarship (the "Base" scholarship)
- undertake most (no less than 70%) of their HDR candidature at TQEH precinct be supervised in their HDR candidature under the primary supervision of a BHI-affiliated research supervisor and
- possess study rights via:
    - Australian citizenship or
    - Permanent residency in Australia granted by 31st October 2025 or

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- a valid student visa.

Applicants are ineligible if any of the following apply:

- They have completed a degree at the same or higher level
- They are receiving salary to undertake the proposed study, or are in receipt of any other supplementary stipend/ support funding in addition to a "base" competitive HDR scholarship, including (but not limited to) an existing BHI Top-up scholarship, via the CALHN Clinician PhD Pathway, Westpac Scholarship or other supplementary scholarship. If in doubt, please seek advice about your eligibility prior to application.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05737/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05737/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05737/apply
Email: savelives@hospitalresearch.com.au

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Building Blocks Grants - Planning

Funding Provider
Department of Education (VIC)

Location
VIC

Funding Type
Cash Grant G11386

Primary Category
Education

Eligible to
- School
- Not-for-Profit
- Local Govt

Funding
Amount: $1 to $150,000

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

This stream provides grants for planning and pre-construction work that creates additional kindergarten places for 3 and 4-year-olds across Victoria.

Overview

This stream provides grants for planning and pre-construction work that creates additional kindergarten places for 3 and 4-year-olds across Victoria.

This might include designing, developing the scope or calculating construction costs of the project. This grant is for applicants who will be applying for a Building Blocks – Capacity Building grant once planning is complete.

A Planning Grant means you can:

- plan a project, or pipeline of projects, to help provide the kindergarten places needed to meet demand for the roll-out of Three and Four-Year-Old Kindergarten and/or Pre-Prep
- better prepare applications for Building Blocks grants that will help deliver your projects.

Being awarded a Planning Grant is not a pre-requisite to apply for other Building Blocks grants.

Planning grants must:

- be completed within 12 months of Common Funding Agreement (CFA) execution. This means that successful planning grant applicants have 12 months to complete their infrastructure planning processes, including identifying projects to apply for a Building Blocks construction grant.
- be used to plan for a project located in Victoria that is, or will be, licensed to provide a funded Three and Four-Year-Old Kindergarten program, and must offer, or intend to offer, both programs. This can be sessional or integrated with long day care.
- demonstrate how the proposed project(s) will create additional kindergarten capacity, or maintain service continuity of existing capacity, in line with the demand of Three and Four-Year-Old Kindergarten, and/or Pre-Prep, at a community and local government level. Projects should align to demand, as identified in the relevant KISP or demonstrate alignment with supporting the roll-out of Pre-Prep.

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- all applications must address unmet demand as identified in the relevant Kindergarten Infrastructure and Services Plan (KISP). KISPs will be updated as part of the Best Start, Best Life program and, while this process is underway, respond to criteria based on the information currently available to you.

Limitations

Your organisation can apply if it is:

- a Victorian local government (council)
- a not-for-profit community organisation that is a legal entity (for example an incorporated association, incorporated cooperative or Indigenous corporation)
- a Victorian non-government school registered with the Victorian Registration and Qualifications Authority or Catholic Education Commission of Victoria.

For-profit organisations cannot apply for any grant streams within Building Blocks.

What cannot be funded?

- costs already incurred
- site preparation, including clearing or demolition (these may be funded by a subsequent Building Block Grant)
- construction and commissioning (these may be funded by a subsequent Building Blocks Grant)
- landscaping and car parking (these may be funded by a subsequent Building Blocks Grant)
- site acquisition and lease costs
- ongoing administration or operational costs

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G11386/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G11386/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G11386/apply
Email: building.blocks@education.vic.gov.au **Phone:** (03) 7022 0850

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Building Fund for Non-Government Schools - Independent

Funding Provider
Department of Education (VIC)

Location
VIC

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19638

Primary Category
Education

Eligible to
School

Funding
$6,000,000
Total Pool: $450,000,000

Rounds
Closes **9 Feb 2026**

Purpose

The Building Fund for Non-Government Schools helps build and upgrade independent schools.

Overview

The Government has committed $450 million to help build and upgrade low-fee catholic and independent schools across the state. This funding will be allocated over 4 grant rounds, across four years (2023-24 to 2026-27) for independent schools.

The 450 million funding commitment will be divided across four project categories:

- building new schools or new campuses in areas of Victoria experiencing significant enrolment demand
    - from $50,000 to $6 million
- expanding capacity at existing schools in areas of Victoria experiencing significant enrolment demand
    - from $50,000 to $3.6 million
- upgrading facilities in existing schools according to need (including the replacement of existing relocatable classrooms)

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- from $50,000 to $2.4 million
- planned removal of asbestos and/or cladding
  - up to $2.4 million
  - Note: For applications seeking only to remove asbestos and/or cladding there is no minimum grant amount. See section 3.4 of the guidelines for more information.

Schools are required to co-contribute at least 20 per cent of the overall fund value, over the life of the Program. The following will not be considered in calculating co-contributions for projects:

- in-kind support
- land value (or land costs for new schools)
- other State or Commonwealth Government grants (this may be allowed in exceptional circumstances upon submission of suitable evidence from the sector body).

Limitations

An existing non-government school must:

- be registered with the Victorian Registration Qualifications Authority (VRQA)
- be a member, or prospective member, of the relevant Block Grant Authority

To be considered for funding, new non-government schools must:

- Be able to demonstrate that it has applied to be registered with VRQA and has some certainty of successful establishment, operation and governance, in line with the relevant sector body's requirements; and
- Provide evidence of having achieved registration with VRQA within 18 months of receiving the funding.

See the guidelines for additional eligibility requirements.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19638/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19638/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19638/apply
Email: vsba@education.vic.gov.au

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Commonwealth Teaching Scholarships

Funding Provider
Department of Education

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Scholarship S05745

Primary Category
Education

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$40,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **12 Jan 2026 5.00pm AEDT**

Purpose

The Commonwealth Teaching Scholarships Program provides up to $40,000 to new undergraduate and up to $20,000 to new postgraduate teacher education students.

Overview

In return for a scholarship, recipients need to teach in government schools or government-run early learning settings after finishing their degree.

Scholarships are available over five rounds from 2024 to 2028 with up to 1,000 scholarships per year to be offered.

Apply for an undergraduate scholarship here

Apply for a postgraduate scholarship here

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Limitations

To apply for a Commonwealth Teaching Scholarship, you must be living in Australia, and be:

- an Australian citizen
- a permanent resident
- a holder of a permanent humanitarian visa; or
- a New Zealand citizen living in Australia.

Additionally, you must:

- be commencing an Australian accredited teaching degree
- be starting your degree in the first semester or first study period of the year you apply for a scholarship (Round 1 - 2024 (closed), Round 2 - 2025 (closed), Round 3 - 2026, Round 4 - 2027, Round 5 - 2028)
- study full-time for the duration of your scholarship funding (determined by the length of your degree)
- be willing to commit to teach in a government school or government-run early learning setting in Australia after you graduate.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05745/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05745/guidelines
Email: TeachingScholarships@education.gov.au

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Community Bank Scholarships

Funding Providers
Bendigo and Adelaide Bank
Bendigo Bank
Community Enterprise Foundation

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Scholarship S05245

Primary Category
Education

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Community Bank Scholarships is helping young Australians reach their academic goals by assisting with the cost of pursuing their education. One of the leading privately funded scholarship programs in Australia, the program offers a range of options to assist students studying with Secondary or Tertiary studies.

Overview

Community Bank scholarships are available at varying times throughout the year.

They have more than 300 Community Bank branches around Australia. Many branches offer scholarships for local students. The scholarships aim to assist those who need help in pursuing further education.

Each Community Bank has their own eligibility criteria, so it is important to view these before making an application.

Programs open anywhere from August through to December each year. Please check to see if there is a program open near you.

Limitations

Eligibility Criteria:

See individual scholarship programs for specific qualification criteria and eligibility locations.

Application closing dates vary depending on Scholarship program.

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Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05245/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05245/apply
Phone: 1300 304 541.

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Community languages schools - Establishment grant

Funding Provider
Department of Education (NSW)

Location
NSW

Funding Type
Cash Grant G08082

Primary Category
Education

Eligible to
- School
- Not-for-Profit

Funding
$2,500
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **30 Apr 2026**

Last Round
Closed **30 Apr 2025**

Purpose

This one-off establishment grant of $2,500 helps organisations that are setting up language classes for the first time. It helps new community languages schools in their first year.

Overview

A once only grant of $2,500 is provided to eligible community organisations applying for funding to operate community language classes for the first time. The establishment grant is provided to assist community organisations to maintain and increase their enrolments.

Grants are available in any one funding year. Unsuccessful applicants may apply the following year. Organisations requesting an establishment grant are required to contact the Community Languages Program Education Officer to discuss the establishment of the community language school before applying for a grant. They are advised to do this before commencing classes.

To be eligible for an establishment grant a community organisation must meet the eligibility conditions and indicate that languages classes have been operating for at least two months using a teaching program. Where the community is small and/or isolated and or requirements cannot be met immediately, the school must work with a Program Education Officer towards meeting requirements in the first year.

You must apply online by 30 April each year.

Limitations

Who can apply?

You may receive an establishment grant if your community language school:

- is located more than two kilometres away from any other community language school which teaches the same language
- has been operating for at least two months using a teaching program
- normally has a minimum of 20 school-aged students enrolled. (Schools outside a metropolitan area with less than 20 students may be eligible for funding in some circumstances.)
- is open to school students from Kindergarten to Year 12, regardless of their language background
- holds classes outside school hours for at least 35 weeks of the year
- provides a minimum of two hours per week face-to-face language teaching based on a sound educational program.

If your community is small or isolated and cannot meet teacher or syllabus requirements immediately, you may be granted an exemption for up to 12 months. During this time your school can work with a program education officer to try to meet these requirements.

Your community language school must show:

- it is an organisation with ‘incorporated association' status

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- it has the correct insurances
- it has followed the correct steps for setting up a school.

Other important points:

- If your organisation receives an establishment grant, you cannot apply for a per capita grant in the same calendar year
- You may not be eligible for funding for your new school if there is another community language school that teaches the same language within two kilometres. Check your local area for other community languages schools.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G08082/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G08082/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G08082/apply
Email: commlang@det.nsw.edu.au **Phone:** (02) 7814 2528

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Creative Learning

Funding Provider
Department of Creative Industries, Tourism and Sport (WA)

Location
WA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19623

Primary Category
Education

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- School
- Individual
- Local Govt
- Business
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
$120,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds

Opens **10 Feb 2026** Closes **26 Mar 2026 Residencies**

Opens **28 Apr 2026** Closes **11 Jun 2026 Residencies**

Last Round
Closed **4 Dec 2025**

Purpose

The Creative Learning program offers funding to support creative learning projects and the development of creative learning practices in schools.

Overview

The program invites Western Australian schools, creatives, and organisations to partner, connect and learn about creative processes.

The 3 program categories, Partnerships, Collaborations and Residencies, support activities utilising arts-based practice to engage students in their learning beyond arts curriculum areas. These activities do not replace the learning in the arts curriculum subject areas.

Categories:

Partnerships - Grants between $80,000 and $120,000 per annum to deliver 2-year creative learning programs that enhance students' and educators' creative learning capabilities in and through the arts.

Collaborations - Grants of up to $60,000 for projects and/or programs designed to connect Western Australian arts organisations and creative practitioners with schools.

Residencies - Grants of up to $20,000 for projects involving artists-in-residence in school environments, with the activity including approximately 25 days of engagement per school, of which a minimum of 15 days must include direct engagement with students.

Limitations

There are specific eligibility requirements for each stream:

Partnerships - Open to Western Australian local governments, Western Australian based not-for-profit arts and/or cultural organisations or institutions with a demonstrated history working in creative learning.

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This funding cannot support core activity of Arts Organisation Investment Program (AOIP) funded recipients and Major Performing Arts companies.

Please note: this program excludes state operated arts and cultural institutions.

Residencies - Open to all Western Australian-based primary and secondary government and non-government schools, including Catholic and independent schools, teaching artists and creative practitioners, groups including unincorporated bodies, individuals informally collaborating, arts and/or cultural organisations, local government authorities, not-for-profit community organisations and/or not-for-profit community service organisations.

Collaboroations - Open to Western Australian-based arts and culture organisations, teaching artists and creative practitioners, local government authorities, schools, not-for-profit community organisations and/or not-for-profit community services organisations

If you are applying for any of these grants on behalf of Aboriginal people you must provide evidence of significant Aboriginal involvement in the conception, development of and participation in the activity.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19623/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19623/apply
Email: creativelearning@dlgsc.wa.gov.au **Phone:** 08 6552 7400

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Early Learning Languages Australia (ELLA) program funding

Funding Provider
Department of Education (QLD)

Location
QLD

Funding Type
In-kind Contribution G07929

Primary Category
Education

Eligible to
School

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The payment supports eligible preschools in disadvantaged areas to purchase one or more tablet devices to be used specifically for the Early Learning Languages Australia (ELLA) program at their preschool.

Overview

ELLA is a fun, digital, play-based language learning program for children in preschool. It is delivered through applications (‘apps’) on tablet devices. ELLA apps have been specifically designed for preschool children and align with the Early Years Learning Framework (EYLF).

What do you get?

- Access to seven apps in your preschool's choice of language
- A Liaison Officer who is available to support your preschool in implementing ELLA, and a responsive helpdesk available 9am - 4pm (AEST) weekdays
- Printable resources to support language activities
- Educational reporting and 'I can' statements that can be used to share children's learnings with families
- Background language and cultural information on the language your preschool has chosen
- Regular newsletters to keep you informed and provide tips on how to make the most of ELLA Professional learning

Please note this application form is only for new preschools to the program.

Limitations

Eligibility

To be eligible to participate in the ELLA program your service needs to be a preschool, kindergarten or childcare centre approved to operate by the relevant regulatory authority. Your preschool must also meet the following requirements:

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- offer a preschool/kindergarten program that is provided primarily to children in the year before full-time school; only children enrolled in a preschool/kindergarten program are eligible to use the apps provided under the ELLA program
- be delivered by a degree-qualified early childhood teacher (as per ACECQA)
- the preschool must have an active internet and WiFi connection for the duration of participation in the ELLA program. The preschool must meet all costs associated with the internet and WiFi connection

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G07929/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G07929/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G07929/apply
Email: ella@esa.edu.au **Phone:** 1800 468 303

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Early Start Kindergarten Grants

Funding Provider
Department of Education (VIC)

Location
VIC

Funding Type
Cash Grant G10946

Primary Category
Education

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Early Start Kindergarten gives eligible children 15 hours of free or low-cost kindergarten a week for two years before starting school.

Overview

Children can also access free or low cost Four-Year-Old Kindergarten through the Early Start Kindergarten Extension Grant.

How to apply

Early Start Kindergarten is available in all kindergarten programs delivered by a qualified teacher. You can enrol your child by contacting a kindergarten near you, and asking to access an Early Start Kindergarten grant. You can also contact us or your local council for assistance.

When to apply

You can enrol your child by notifying the kindergarten you wish to attend or your local council of your child's eligibility for Early Start Kindergarten.

If your child’s birthday falls between 1 January and 30 April, you will need to determine the year your child will start school to work out which year they will access Early Start Kindergarten. You have the choice of whether your child attends school in the year they turn five or six. Subsequently, they can access Early Start Kindergarten in the year they turn three or four.

For assistance in determining when your child is eligible for Early Start Kindergarten, you can contact us, your local council, your maternal and child health nurse, or a kindergarten in your area for further support.

Limitations

To be eligible, your child must be three by 30 April in the year they start kindergarten, and:

- is from a refugee or asylum seeker background, or
- identify as Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander, or
- your family has had contact with child protection.

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Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Email, Phone
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G10946/info
Email: enquiries@education.vic.gov.au **Phone:** 1800 338 663

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Early childhood education care (ECEC) providers - Practicum exchange living allowance

Funding Provider
Department of Education

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Subsidised Goods And Services U00707

Primary Category
Education

Eligible to
- School
- Not-for-Profit

Funding
$1,552 (approx)
Total Pool: $640,000

Rounds
Opens **12 Jan 2026** Closes **13 Mar 2026**

Last Round
Closed **19 Sep 2025**

Purpose

This grant program is one of three measures in this package which are designed to help build a sustainable, skilled ECEC workforce that delivers high quality early childhood education. This allowance is to address the need for some employees to temporarily relocate to complete their practicum placement requirements.

Overview

In 2025-26, we will support up to 100 educators with a living and travel allowance.

The allowance provides $1,552.50 per week, for up to 4 weeks per semester, for living and travel costs associated with completing a practicum away from home.

Allowance is paid to the provider. Providers must pass it on to educators in full.

Educators can use funding for:

- accommodation and travel costs
- food and fuel expenses
- other associated family costs, such as child care.

Limitations

Eligibility:

The allowance is only available to CCS-approved providers.

Providers can apply on behalf of educators who:

- are an Australian citizen, permanent resident or hold a valid work visa
- are working towards an ECEC qualification
- have worked at a CCS-approved service for more than 40 hours in the last 3 months
- join the practicum exchange network
- use the network to commence a practicum in a regional, remote or very remote area other than their home location between 30 June 2025 and 28 June 2026.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00707/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00707/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00707/apply
Email: ececgrants@deloitte.com.au

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Fee-Free Construction Fund

Funding Provider
Skills Tasmania

Location
TAS

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19705

Primary Category
Education

Eligible to
- TAFE
- Not-for-Profit
- Business

Funding
$200,000
Total Pool: $900,000

Rounds
Closes **28 Jan 2026**

Purpose

The Fee-Free Construction Fund (the Fund) supports Tasmania's delivery of training places under the Fee-Free TAFE Skills Agreement. The aim of the Fund is to support courses critical to the construction industry and housing supply sector in Tasmania.

Overview

The construction sector is recognised as a priority area of current workforce need with projected high-growth and emerging skills demand. This aligns with the National Skills Agreement, which identifies housing supply as a national priority under the National Skills Plan. The Tasmanian Government is also committed to supporting excellence in our building and construction workforce through the Tasmanian Skills Plan (action 1.8).

A total of $900,000 in funding is available for the Fee-Free Construction Fund in 2026.

A maximum of $200,000 will be funded per applicant.

Requests for funding may exceed the available budget. This means that not all applications that are recommended for funding will receive the full number of requested training places.

The Fund is administered by Skills Tasmania, a division of the Department of State Growth that manages the Government funded training and workforce development system in Tasmania in partnership with industry, training providers and employers, as set out in the Training and Workforce Development Act 2013 (the Act).

Limitations

Applicant eligibility

To be deemed eligible, applicants must:

- be a Skills Tasmania endorsed Registered Training Organisation
- have the qualification/s, accredited course/s, skill set/s and/or unit(s) of competency included on the RTO's scope of registration for delivery in Tasmania
- be financially viable (Applicants must provide financial statements for 2022, 2023 and 2024. If you are yet to prepare FY2024 statements, you must provide management accounts from Xero, MYOB or equivalent)
- have a current contract of public liability insurance for at least $20 million for:
    - each individual claim, and
    - series of claims arising out of a single occurrence.

TasTAFE is an eligible applicant under the Fee-Free Construction Fund where it can demonstrate an existing delivery partnership with a Tasmanian-based participant(s) in the Tasmanian training and workforce development system (i.e. a Tasmanian based employer or Tasmanian based industry peak organisation) working within the construction industry and housing supply sector in Tasmania.

Learner eligibility

The following learners are considered jobseekers and are eligible to receive subsidised training under the Fee Free Construction Fund:

1. individuals out of work
2. individuals who are underemployed, which is defined as employed people who would prefer, and are available for, more hours of work than they currently have, including part-time workers.

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3. individuals looking to upskill or gain new skills outside of their current employment. For the purposes of the Fee-Free Construction Fund this means training that does not relate to the individual's current employment and is not supported by their current employer.

Eligible learners will need to meet any course specific entry requirements, are eligible for a training place regardless of their prior qualifications and can undertake training in more than one Fee-Free Construction Fund qualification, course or skill set per round.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19705/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19705/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19705/apply
Email: jobseekerfund@skills.tas.gov.au **Phone:** (03) 6165 6037

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Frederick Richard O'Connell Scholarship

Funding Provider
Equity Trustees

Location
VIC

Funding Type
Scholarship S05751

Primary Category
Education

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$5,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **30 Jan 2026 5pm (AEST)**

Purpose

Applications are open to candidates who have enrolled or who have already commenced a degree, certificate or diploma course conducted by a Victorian university.

Overview

Scholarships are awarded on the basis of good character, personality and academic achievement. Preference is given to candidates who are children of either employees or directors/proprietors of companies that are members of the Timber Merchants Australia.

Value: Up to $5,000 per student. The advisory committee have discretion to award a scholarship over and above this amount.

Limitations

Open to candidates who are about to commence or who have already commenced a degree or accredited course conducted by a university in Victoria.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05751/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05751/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05751/apply
Website: https://www.eqt.com.au/contactus **Email:** charities@eqt.com.au **Phone:** 1300 133 472

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Health Workforce Scholarship Program

Funding Provider
Northern Territory PHN (NT PHN)

Location
NT

Funding Type
Scholarship S05019

Primary Category
Education

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$10,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Health Workforce Scholarships program (HSWP) provides funds to the health workforce in rural areas to help you upskill through professional development, training, short courses and conferences, that will also benefit your community.

Overview

HWSP is for medical, nursing, midwifery, allied health, dental and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health professionals, providing primary health care in the Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Services sector, non-government organisations and private practice across Australia.

The program has been extended for a further 2 years.

The HWSP offers two types of funding:

Scholarships

Payments of up to $10,000 per year can be provided for up to two years to support the attainment of a postgraduate qualification, including a postgraduate certificate, postgraduate diploma, Master's, or PhD.

Bursaries

Payments of up to $10,000 within a 12-month period that covers the cost of course fees and training-related expenses such as travel and accommodation, where appropriate. Including online or face-to-face: short courses, workshops, and conferences.

Grant applications are assessed in scheduled rounds.

Limitations

Who is eligible:

A health professional who has obtained their primary professional qualification and/or is currently practicing as:

- An Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander health worker/practitioner (minimum Certificate II in Primary Health Care); or
- An Allied Health Professional, including:
    - audiologist
    - chiropractor
    - counsellor
    - diabetes educator
    - dietitian
    - exercise physiologist
    - nutritionist
    - occupational therapist
    - optometrist or orthoptist
    - osteopath
    - pharmacist
    - physiotherapist
    - podiatrist
    - prosthetist
    - psychologist
    - radiographer
    - social worker
    - speech pathologist

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- A Dentist or dental hygienist; or
- A Medical Practitioner; or
- A Nurse or Midwife.

Providing primary health care services full or part-time basis (minimum of 15 hours per week).

See guidelines for more eligibility information.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05019/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05019/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05019/apply
Email: grants@ntphn.org.au **Phone:** 08 8982 1069

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Health Workforce Scholarship Program

Funding Provider
HR+

Location
TAS

Funding Type
Scholarship S05642

Primary Category
Education

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$10,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
not defined

Purpose

The objective of the HWSP is to improve access to the services needed in rural and remote areas (i.e. locations categorised as Modified Monash Model (MMM) 3-7) in response to identified needs by supporting an increase in skills, capacity and/or scope of the rural health workforce.

Overview

The Health Workforce Scholarship Program (HWSP) is for health professionals looking to extend their skills and services in rural and remote communities. The HWSP offers you and your team members the opportunity to attend accredited and non-accredited:

- workshops
- conferences
- short courses
- graduate certificates
- diplomas
- other postgraduate qualifications
- and much more

For a scholarship you can receive up to $10,000 per year for up to two years while completing full-time studies. A 12 month return of service is required for any scholarship over the value of $5,000. One-off bursary payments are also available up to the value of $5,000 with no return of service, to cover:

- reimbursement for the total cost of the course(s), conference(s) or workshop(s)
- travel expenses and accommodation support where appropriate.

Limitations

Every application is different and scholarship funding is subject to the HWSP eligibility guidelines for scholarship applicants.

All scholarship agreements must be entered into prior to 30 June 2029. Scholarships may be provided for courses that extend beyond 30 June 2029, but the study period must conclude by 30 June 2031.

Scholarships are available for:

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- eligible medical, nursing and allied health professionals
- who are servicing, or planning to service rural areas in Tasmania categorised by the Modified Monash Model (MMM) 3-7. Check our FAQ below if you are unfamiliar with MMM
- who are not solely employed by the Tasmanian government

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05642/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05642/guidelines
Email: scholarships@thepeopleproject.com.au **Phone:** 03 6332 8600

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Health and Development Participation Grants

Funding Provider
Department of Education (NSW)

Location
NSW

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19472

Primary Category
Education

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- School
- Business

Funding
Amount: $1,500 to $7,500
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **3 Dec 2026**

Purpose

The HDP Grant funding aims to support early childhood education and care providers to embed suitable strategies to enable their partnership, and children's participation, in the HDC Program.

Overview

The Health and Development Participation (HDP) Grant Program aims to increase the number of free health and development checks provided to 4-year-old children within early childhood education and care (ECEC) services, and increase awareness of and engagement with the Health and Development Checks in Early Childhood Education ProgramExternal link.

Limitations

Who can apply?

- Not-for-profit community preschool (centre based or mobile);
- Not-for-profit long day care (as identified in the National Quality Agenda IT system, or where sufficient evidence is provided upon request), including a local government managed service;
- Multifunctional Aboriginal Children's Service*;
- Aboriginal Child and Family Centre*
- Aboriginal Controlled Community Organisation*; and
- Standalone for-profit long day care (defined as for profit providers operating a single long day care service as identified by the National Quality Agenda IT system);

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19472/info
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19472/apply
Email: EarlyChildhoodDevelopment@det.nsw.edu.au

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Higher Education Scholarships

Funding Provider
Department of Education and Training (NT)

Location
NT

Funding Type
Scholarship S05763

Primary Category
Education

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$5,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **14 Feb 2026 1:29 AM (ACST)**

Purpose

The Department of Education and Training (the department) seeks to grow a skilled, agile, and capable workforce to meet business and community needs now and for future demand.

Overview

To support this, the Higher Education Scholarship (the scholarship), encourages NT school graduates to undertake tertiary studies leading to employment in the Territory.

Up to 20 scholarships are available for eligible NT Year 12 graduates. The scholarships provide financial support of $5,000 per year for recipients to pursue their first undergraduate degree at Charles Darwin University (CDU).

Limitations

You can apply for this scholarship if you:

- are an NT resident - including students returning from interstate boarding schools where their parent or guardian lives in the NT
- are an Australian citizen or permanent resident
- graduated Year 12 in 2024 or 2025
- are enrolled full time in your first undergraduate degree at CDU.

You must have completed the NTCET or equivalent with an ATAR/IB of 80 or higher.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students or those from regional/remote areas will receive an extra 5 ATAR points.

You can't apply for this scholarship if you:

- have gained entry to university through the Tertiary Enabling Program or equivalent
- work for an Australian, state or territory government
- plan to work full time during study periods
- are completing a traineeship or apprenticeship
- receive a scholarship, bursary, stipend or funding from another source, excluding:
    - Australian Government Youth Allowance and Abstudy
    - one-off merit scholarships paid in one year or less
    - access and equity grants
    - subsidies and grants not paid to you directly, like an accommodation scholarship or textbook bursary.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05763/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05763/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05763/apply
Email: scholarships@nt.gov.au **Phone:** (08) 8935 7706

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Horizon Scholarships - 2026

Funding Provider
AgriFutures Australia

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Scholarship S05744

Primary Category
Education

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$10,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **26 Jan 2026**

Purpose

The AgriFutures Horizon Scholarship is awarded to students studying an agriculture-related undergraduate degree or a Science, Technology, Engineering, Maths/Finance (STEM) degree with relevant majors which align to agriculture.

Overview

In partnership with industry sponsors, the AgriFutures Horizon Scholarship is an initiative supporting students enrolled in full time study at an Australian university by providing:

- A bursary of $5000 per year for the final two years of your degree
- Professional development workshops
- Annual industry work placements aligned with the scholar's areas of interest and their sponsor's industry
- Opportunities to network and gain knowledge at a range of industry events.

Limitations

To be eligible for the Horizon Scholarship, students must be an Australian citizen or permanent resident enrolled full-time in their last two years of an agriculture-related undergraduate degree at an Australian university with a maximum two-year gap between high school and tertiary study.

Research shows that Horizon Scholars are typically two to three years ahead of other university graduates in terms of their career readiness and industry networks.

Previously, the Horizon Scholarship program was eligible to students that were in their first two years of tertiary studies. Now, the Horizon Scholarship is offered to students in their last years of study, to best connect students with industry networks and giving them this continued advantage when entering the workforce.

Suitable degrees include, but are not limited to:

- Agricultural Science
- Rural Science
- Livestock/Animal Science
- Veterinary Science
- Agribusiness
- Plant Science
- Agricultural Economics
- Resource Management
- Sustainability
- Food Security
- Science, Technology, Engineering or Maths (STEM) with major studies and subject selections relevant to, and aligned with, agriculture

Scholarship recipients will be selected on the basis of their commitment to a career in agriculture, as well as their leadership potential and tertiary academic record to date.

Recipients will be required to attend the workshop (held in July 2026), and complete two weeks of work placement each year of the scholarship. Reasonable costs associated with these activities are covered by the program.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05744/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05744/apply
Email: emily.jones@agrifutures.com.au

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Inclusion Support Program

Funding Provider
Department of Education

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19317

Primary Category
Education

Eligible to
- School
- Not-for-Profit
- Business
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
Amount: $5,000 (approx) to $70,000
Total Pool: $85,000,000

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The focus of the ISP program is aimed at building the inclusion capacity and capability of eligible CCS approved ECEC services, where there are barriers to the participation of children with additional needs, with their typically developing peers.

Overview

The program helps to ensure all children have genuine opportunities to access, participate and achieve positive learning outcomes as per the Approved Learning Frameworks.

The program also assists services to implement their quality, inclusive and equitable obligations under the National Quality Framework (NQF) and in accordance with the National Quality Standard (NQS) and Approved Learning Frameworks.

Total Amount Available (AUD): $85,000,000.00

Estimated Grant Value (AUD): $5,000.00 to $70,000.00

Limitations

Eligibility:

ECEC services eligible for support through the program are services that have been approved by the department for the provision of the Child Care Subsidy (CCS) under the Family Assistance Law.

See guidelines for detailed eligibility criteria.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19317/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19317/guidelines
Email: InclusionSupportProgram@education.gov.au

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Indigenous Scholarship Program

Funding Providers
Bendigo Bank
Community Enterprise Foundation

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Scholarship S05197

Primary Category
Education

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$6,500

Rounds
Closes **31 Jan 2026**

Last Round
Closed **31 Jan 2025**

Purpose

This program aims to assist Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people that are experiencing challenging circumstances. If you demonstrate a passion for local leadership, and have a desire to support your community through future study, this is for you.

Overview

What you need to know

- Open to Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander students of any age, who are Australian citizens or permanent residents living anywhere in Australia.
- First year students studying full-time at University or full or part time at TAFE can apply.
- Study can be on campus and or/online.
- University study at undergraduate bachelor's degree level only.
- TAFE study at full time or competency-based completion (apprenticeships) certificate, diploma, or advanced diploma level only.
- Any subject can be studied provided that is an approved Australian course.
- You can demonstrate community involvement and a passion for supporting rural communities both now and into the future.
- You can demonstrate challenging circumstances hindering your ability to undertake further study.

Applications are encouraged from people living with a disability and those who identify as LGBTQA+.

Fast facts

- **Accommodation?** Yes, it's covered. This scholarship supports accommodation costs, reducing the financial burden of paying rent.
- **Study resources?** Books and computers are a must for you to get through your studies, so it makes sense for these must-have items to be covered.
- **Course fee?** Yes, this scholarship can be used to cover course fees.
- **How much?** The scholarship award value is $6,500 per year for a maximum of 2 years/or for the duration of the successful recipient's course (up to a maximum of 2 years, whichever is the lesser).
- **Deferring?** Scholarship funds cannot be put on lay-by so if you're planning a gap year you'll have to wait to apply.
- **Mature age?** Yes, this scholarship is also open to mature age students who identify as Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander looking to study at university or TAFE.
- **Started another course?** This scholarship is for first time tertiary students only
- **Work part-time?** The study and work life balance can be quite a juggle and we know that part-time work is essential to get by, provided you're studying full-time this scholarship is for you.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05197/info

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05197/apply
Phone: 1300 304 541

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Innovation Fund Program

Funding Provider
StudyPerth

Location
WA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G12255

Primary Category
Education

Eligible to
Business

Funding
$50,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **30 Jun 2026**

Last Round
Closed **30 Jun 2025**

Purpose

The Innovation Fund Program provides an opportunity to secure financial support for projects that advance the international education sector in Western Australia.

Overview

The Innovation Fund Program is divided into two grant funding categories.

Category 1 - Collaborative Projects up to $50,000 (+gst)

- Projects up to $50,000 (+ GST) that must be led by a StudyPerth member.
- Projects must be collaborative, i.e., involve multiple project partners.
- Projects must be inclusive, i.e., open to participation by relevant sectors of the international educational community in WA.
- Preference will be given to projects that demonstrate a collaborative and inclusive approach.
- All partners are encouraged to subscribe to StudyPerth Newsletters at www.studyperth.com.au/subscribe.

Category 2 - Individual Projects up to $5,000 (+gst)

- Individual Projects up to $5,000 (+ GST) for StudyPerth members and organisations are detailed in the eligibility section of this guideline.
- Application is open to individual projects submitted by a single organisation. There is no requirement for the project to be collaborative.

Application

Please email the completed Application Form, Budget Plan and the Risk Plan (using the templates provided) and any supporting documentation to grantsprogram@studyperth.com.au.

Limitations

To be eligible organisations must:

- Be an Education or Associate Member of StudyPerth, with membership fees paid.
- Have an Australian Business Number (ABN) or details of an auspice organisation that has an ABN that can accept grant funding on your behalf.
- Have been operating for more than 2 years at the time of application.
- Have full public liability insurance.

The following organisations may be eligible for the Innovation Fund Program:

- A CRICOS registered education or training provider located in WA that is also a StudyPerth Member.
- A non-education organisation that is also a StudyPerth Member, whose primary purpose relates to the international education and training sector in WA and/or providing services to international students in WA.
- StudyPerth

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Email
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G12255/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G12255/guidelines
Email: grantsprogram@studyperth.com.au

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Living Away from Home Allowances Scheme (LAFHAS)

Funding Provider
Department of Education (QLD)

Location
QLD

Funding Type
Cash Grant G00931

Primary Category
Education

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Living Away From Home Allowances Scheme (LAFHAS) supports eligible Queensland families whose children need to live away from home to attend a state school or an accredited non-state school.

Overview

This may be because the students home is geographically isolated and/or the nearest school is a bypass school.

What support is available?

The scheme provides financial support through 4 allowances:

- Remote Area Tuition Allowance (RATuA)—helps pay tuition fees charged by non-state boarding schools
- Remote Area Travel Allowance (RATrA)—helps pay a student's travel costs between home and boarding school during holidays
- Remote Area Allowance (RAA)—contributes to the cost of boarding at a Queensland Australian Agricultural College campus or a state high school campus
- Remote Area Disability Supplement (RADS)—helps with additional boarding costs for students with disability.

Use the 2024 LAFHAS rates list and 2025 LAFHAS rates list for information on the monetary support available.

Half of the LAFHAS annual entitlements are paid in Semester 1 and the other half in Semester 2.

Please note that between December and February, applicants may experience a delay in processing times. All efforts will be made to process applications within the month of receipt, however, at this time, this is not guaranteed and delays may occur.

Limitations

Who can apply for LAFHAS benefits?

Parents or guardians who believe they are geographically isolated from local Queensland Government schools with the required year level for a student and who:

- reside in Queensland;
- have students enrolled in Years 1 to 12 at approved schools in Queensland or New South Wales (primary, secondary, special or agricultural colleges); and
- have students who are geographically isolated and board away from home to attend approved schools with the required year levels.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Mail, Online, Email
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G00931/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G00931/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G00931/apply
Contact: Department of Education and Training
Email: lafhas@qed.qld.gov.au **Phone:** 1800 248 997

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Low Interest Loans Scheme (LILS)

Funding Provider
Department of Education (WA)

Location
WA

Funding Type
Low Or No-interest Loan S02643

Primary Category
Education

Eligible to
School

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Assisting non-government schools with capital development projects including land acquisition, new building construction and upgrading of established facilities.

Overview

The Department of Education administers the Low Interest Loan Scheme (LILS) on behalf of the Minister for Education and Training.

Loans are also available to the University of Notre Dame Australia (UNDA).

Lodgement differs dependent on the type of school.

Catholic schools should lodge applications with Catholic Education Western Australia by 31 December of the year prior to the financial year in which loan funds are required.

Lodge applications at the office of the appropriate system for:

- Anglican Schools Commission schools
- Swan Christian Education Association schools
- Seventh Day Adventist Conference schools.

Check the lodgement dates with your own system office.

For independent schools, you must lodge applications with the Department of Education by the end of September of the year prior to the financial year in which the loan funds will be required.

For the LILS, a financial year is defined as the 12-month period ending on 30 June in a given year.

Limitations

Applications are for low interest loans and are only available to WA non-government schools.

An approved school for the purpose of LILS is one that:

- is not operated for the profit of any person, company or organisation; and
- in the case of an existing school is registered by the Minister for Education; or
- in the case of a proposed school, is declared by the Minister for Education to be likely to be registered within ten months of its commencement.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Mail
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S02643/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S02643/guidelines
Contact: Brett Lilleyman
Website: https://www.education.wa.edu.au/low-interest-loan-scheme **Email:** brett.lilleyman@education.wa.edu.au **Phone:** (08) 9264 4913

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Master of Inclusive Education Program

Funding Provider
Department of Education (VIC)

Location
VIC

Funding Type
Scholarship S05721

Primary Category
Education

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Opens **2 Feb 2026** Closes **16 Mar 2026**

Purpose

The program aims to strengthen the capability of teachers, schools and regions to provide high quality inclusive and special education to all students, including those with a disability or an additional learning need.

Overview

The IESU manages the program, including the application process and assisting successful recipients to manage and complete their course.

The Department of Education (the department) has partnered with 6 leading universities in Victoria and NSW, offering 8 targeted online courses. With only 75 scholarships available, check with the IESU to confirm eligibility and get started.

- Deakin University
- La Trobe University
- NextSense Institute, through Macquarie University
- Monash University - master of applied behaviour analysis or master of inclusive education
- University of Melbourne
- University of Newcastle

Please note there are separate application guidelines for the Master of Applied Behaviour Analysis at Monash University, due to the course's specific content and considerations. Visit the program's webpage.

Limitations

Eligibility

To be eligible to apply for Round 12 of the program, you must:

- Be an Australian citizen, permanent resident, or eligible to work indefinitely in Australia
- Be currently employed by the department (not directly by a school) in a part-time or full-time capacity
- Be either:
    - a qualified practising teacher with full registration with the VIT and actively working in an eligible role in a Victorian government school supporting students with disability and additional learning needs OR
    - A regional workforce employee*, currently employed and actively working in a role that supports DI reform, supports students with disability and additional learning needs, and/or provides intervention supports to create more inclusive learning environments in schools.

*Important Dual qualifications apply to most courses: for example, an allied health qualification plus ITE and full VIT registration (see page 10 - Table 2: Entry requirements for specific courses where this does not apply).

- Acknowledge and agree that you must continue your employment with the department for 3 years post completion of your course. If this cannot be met, the Debt Recovery policy will apply
- Start your approved course in Semester/Trimester 2, 2026 (unless you are already enrolled and transferring into the program, in which case the department will cover course costs from Semester/Trimester 2, 2026 onwards)
- Be willing and able to complete your course within 4 years of enrolling
- Not be a previous scholarship recipient through this program or the Graduate Certificate in Education (Learning Difficulties) Program
- Understand and adhere to the program's employment and financial obligations

See guidelines for additional information.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05721/info

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Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05721/guidelines

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05721/apply

Email: Inclusive.Ed.Scholarships@education.vic.gov.au **Phone:** (03) 9084 8496

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Mobile Preschool Funding Program - 2026

Funding Provider
Department of Education (NSW)

Location
NSW

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19847

Primary Category
Education

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- School

Funding

Rounds
Closes **31 Dec 2026**

Purpose

The Mobile Preschool Funding Program's objectives is to improve the affordability, quality, and accessibility of preschool education for children in regional and remote NSW, where access to centre-based preschools can be limited.

Overview

The program funds providers of mobile preschools to reduce fees, support quality uplift, incentivise increased enrolment and attendance, and drive improved outcomes for children, and recognises the additional costs and unique challenges associated with achieving universal access in regional and remote NSW.

The program operates on a calendar year, from 1 January 2026 to 31 December 2026.

Funding is designed to support quality uplift in preschool education and drive outcomes for children aged 3-5 in the developmentally significant years before school. Funding objectives are closely linked with ensuring equitable access for eligible children:

- Children from Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander background
- Children from low-income families
- Children with disability and/or additional needs
- Children living in regional or remote areas of NSW
- Children who are at risk of significant harm (from a child protection perspective).

Payments are made to providers at various points, across the preschool delivery year.

Providers of new services can apply for funding at any stage throughout 2026. Interested organisations who would like to apply for funding through the program should review the eligibility criteria and write to the department at ecec.funding@det.nsw.edu.au to receive a link to the online application.

Limitations

To be eligible for current funding as a mobile preschool, providers must ensure each service meets **all** the following criteria:

- be operated by a not-for-profit provider
- be an approved early childhood education and care service under either the Children (Education and Care Services National Law Application) Act 2010 (NSW) or the Children (Education and Care Services) Supplementary Provisions Act 2011 (NSW) and the related regulations
- deliver a quality early childhood education program by a qualified early childhood teacher in accordance with the requirements under the National Quality FrameworkExternal link, including using the Early Years Learning FrameworkExternal link
- operate predominantly in Inner Regional, Outer Regional, Remote and Very Remote areas of NSW as measured using the 2011 Accessibility and Remoteness Index of Australia (ARIA +) Remoteness Classifications
- operate from venue(s) that are not purpose-built centre-based preschools, or operate as a 'pack away' service at one or more venue(s)

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- operate in areas where centre-based preschools and long day cares with preschool programs are not readily available
- accept and comply with the *Early Childhood Outcomes Programs - Funding Agreement - Terms and Conditions - 1 January 2026 to 31 December 2026* (Terms and Conditions)
- exercise best efforts to reach a minimum of 5 eligible children enrolled at each venue
- take reasonable steps to deliver 600 hours of quality preschool to all children enrolled at the service.

Note: Mobile preschools which operate solely or predominantly in Major Cities of NSW are not eligible for funding under this program. Mobile preschools in these areas can receive funding under the Start Strong for Community Preschools program, subject to Start Strong eligibility being met.

The department will not provide funding for enrolled hours in a service that are Child Care Subsidy approved.

Providers of services which have been previously approved for funding under the Mobile Preschool Funding Program in earlier years generally do not need to re-complete the application form.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19847/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19847/guidelines
Email: ecec.funding@det.nsw.edu.au

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NSW Training Awards - 2026

Funding Provider
Department of Industry (NSW)

Location
NSW

Funding Type
Award A00848

Primary Category
Education

Eligible to
- TAFE
- Not-for-Profit
- School
- Individual
- Business

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **2 Feb 2026 Individual Nominations**

Closes **27 Feb 2026 Organisation Nominations**

Purpose

The Awards honour and reward the achievements of students, teachers, training organisations and employers.

Overview

The NSW Training Awards begin with 9 Regional Training Awards programs held across the state. Regional Winners compete for a place as NSW State Training Awards Finalists, and the best in each category are selected to represent NSW at the Australian Training Awards.

Award Categories:

Individual Awards

- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Student of the Year
- Apprentice of the Year
- Outstanding Achievement in the VET and Skills Sector
- School-based Apprentice/Trainee of the Year
- Trainee of the Year
- VET Teacher/Trainer of the Year
- Vocational Student of the Year
- VET in Schools Student of the Year (this category does not continue to the Australian Training Awards)
- Outstanding Achievement in the VET and Skills Sector (*NEW in 2026 - this category is state-based and will not be held at regional level).

Organisation Awards

- Disability Inclusion in the VET Sector
- Large Training Provider of the Year

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- Small Training Provider of the Year
- Industry Collaboration
- Large Employer of the Year
- Small Employer of the Year

Note: All Individual categories are now self-nominated. This means you can submit your own nomination without needing someone else to nominate you first. However, all individual nominees must specify an Endorser as part of their nomination.

Limitations

Use the eligibility checker here to see if you are eligible to apply.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/A00848/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/A00848/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/A00848/apply
Address: NSW Training Awards Education and Skills Reform PO Box 5068 Parramatta 2124 NSW
Email: nsw.trainingawards@det.nsw.edu.au

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Outback Queensland Education Experience Program

Funding Provider
Tourism and Events Queensland

Location
QLD

Funding Type
Subsidised Goods And Services G10444

Primary Category
Education

Eligible to
- School
- Not-for-Profit

Funding
$150
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Outback Queensland Education Experience Program was established in 2011 to encourage teachers to take their students to Outback Queensland and integrate its rich history and heritage into school learning. It provides the opportunity for students to learn from and give back to Outback communities by experiencing life on the land.

Overview

The scheme provides a subsidy of **up to $150 per student/ young person** to assist financially toward an educational excursion in Outback Queensland.

The subsidy is paid directly to schools after having met the eligibility requirements for funding. 50% of the subsidy is paid upon approval of an application and the remaining 50% is paid after the excursion, upon receipt of a completed survey.

The payment is not meant to cover all costs. Funds are allocated to schools on a per-student basis at rates according to round-trip distance travelled. Funds must be used to reduce the costs for individual students.

Rates

The subsidy rates (excluding GST) are as follows:

Total distance travelled (round trip)

- 500km – 999km: $50
- 1,000km – 1,499km: $75
- 1,500km – 1,999km: $100
- 2,000km and over: $150

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Limitations

The Program is available upon application to all Queensland primary and secondary schools, including schools of distance education and registered homeschools, where students are participating in an eligible curriculum-related experience as part of their excursion.

Schools must apply on behalf of their enrolled students participating in the excursion. Subsidy payments will not be provided to an individual student or their family, except by arrangement with registered home schools and can only be passed on as savings on the cost of the excursion.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G10444/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G10444/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G10444/apply
Email: outbackeducation@queensland.com **Phone:** (07) 3535 5376

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P&C Transition Grant

Funding Provider
Department of Education (NSW)

Location
NSW

Funding Type
Cash Grant G14649

Primary Category
Education

Eligible to
- School
- Business

Funding
$10,000
Total Pool: $375,000

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The P&C Transition Grant Program is designed to support approved OOSH services that have transitioned to P&C ownership as a result of the recent Provider Category Review.

Overview

The objectives of the P&C Transition Grant are to:

1. Support approved parent-run OOSH services that are transitioning to P&C ownership.
2. Support P&Cs who are taking on responsibility for transitioning OOSH services.
3. Ensure continuing access for NSW Government primary school students to approved OOSH services impacted by the recent Provider Category Review.

Applicants may seek grant funding to reimburse mandatory one-off costs directly associated with the transition to P&C ownership, pending eligibility as detailed in the guidelines.

Limitations

Who can apply?

- Applicants must be an approved OOSH provider.
- The application must benefit an approved OOSH service operating in NSW. One application is allowable per service location.
- The approved OOSH service must have transitioned to P&C ownership as a result of the recent Provider Category Review.
- The approved OOSH provider must have transitioned to P&C as a result of the recent Provider Category Review.
- Applications must be submitted by an authorised officer; a person legally able to enter into agreements on behalf of the approved service provider.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G14649/info

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Email: OOSHGrants@det.nsw.edu.au

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Parliament and Civics Education Rebate (PACER)

Funding Provider
Department of Education

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Rebate S04643

Primary Category
Education

Eligible to
School

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

PACER provides financial assistance to support students on-site learning about national democratic, historical and cultural institutions in Canberra.

Overview

The Parliament and Civics Education Rebate (PACER) Program provides a travel subsidy for Year 4-12 students across Australia to visit Parliament House, Museum of Australian Democracy, National Electoral Education Centre (including booking into an education program offered), the Australian War Memorial and other national institutions as part of their civics and citizenship education.

To qualify for PACER, your school's travel itinerary must include:

- an educational tour of Parliament House and, where possible, an immersive learning experience with the Parliamentary Education Office
- the Museum of Australian Democracy at Old Parliament House
- the National Electoral Education Centre at Old Parliament House
- the Australian War Memorial

These activities need to be booked prior to your excursion and copies of your bookings submitted as part of your itinerary with your PACER Application.

To find more information and booking details go to **Mandatory Attractions**.

Limitations

Eligibility and requirements

To be eligible schools are required to participate in PACER approved programs with at least three of the four Mandatory PACER Institutions.

The current PACER eligibility requirements state that schools must visit at least three of the four mandatory institutions and the principle purpose of the tour must be to enhance student learning in civics and citizenship education.

If in the event that a mandatory institution is fully booked, then a PACER program at an alternative institution may be booked. Written evidence that the mandatory institution is fully booked is required for this to be deemed eligible.

The mandatory and alternative institutions and their PACER approved programs are listed at Attachment A.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S04643/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S04643/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S04643/apply
Email: pacer@busyatwork.com.au **Phone:** 1300 368 248

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Partnership Acceptance Learning Sharing (PALS) Program

Funding Provider
Department of Creative Industries, Tourism and Sport (WA)

Location
WA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19085

Primary Category
Education

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- School

Funding
$5,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds

Opens **10 Feb 2026** Closes **26 Mar 2026**

Opens **28 Apr 2026** Closes **11 Jun 2026**

Last Round
Closed **4 Dec 2025**

Purpose

The Partnership Acceptance Learning Sharing (PALS) program encourages WA schools to develop projects promoting and advancing reconciliation in their local community.

Overview

PALS is an initiative of the State Government to encourage all WA schools to develop projects that promote and advance reconciliation in their local community. By supporting projects that enhance the education and understanding of Aboriginal histories and cultures in the classroom, we gain a deeper understanding of the cultures and achievements of Aboriginal people - a key to recognising our shared histories and unified futures.

PALS is managed by the department.

PALS is based on the core principles of:

- Partnership between Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal people based on trust, mutual respect and understanding
- Acceptance of, and respect for, diversity and valuing Aboriginal perspectives
- Learning more about each other, Aboriginal histories, languages and cultures and how we can build strong partnerships with Aboriginal people
- Sharing a common journey towards healing and reconciliation.

PALS funding is available for your school to complete a project aligned with one or more of the following categories:

1. Arts
2. Community Relationships
3. Connecting to Country and Culture
4. Inclusive Environments
5. History
6. Language.

How much can I apply for?

Up to $5,000.

Limitations

Eligibility

Applications are open to Western Australian:
- kindergartens funded by the Department of Education.
- all WA primary and secondary schools – inclusive of public schools directly funded by the Department of Education and Catholic and Independent schools which are independently supported.

Schools with and without Aboriginal students are encouraged to apply for PALS funding.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19085/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19085/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19085/apply

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Email: pals@dlgsc.wa.gov.au **Phone:** (08) 6552 1657

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Play Award

Funding Provider
Sydney Opera House

Location
NSW

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19669

Primary Category
Education

Eligible to
School

Funding
$10,000

Rounds
Closes **25 Apr 2026**

Purpose

An annual award for a primary school with a learning program, class or an individual student or teacher, that has made a remarkable and ongoing contribution to 'play in learning' with demonstrated positive impacts.

Overview

The Sydney Opera House has an ongoing and rich connection with play and its intrinsic connection to the arts and learning. From the inspiring stories on our stages, to the artists who enliven our Centre for Creativity, we are committed to equipping artists and audiences with the capacity and skills to embed play in their classrooms, creative and civic spaces, and everyday life.

It is in this spirit that we continue our relationship with renowned educator Professor Pasi Sahlberg, and present the Sydney Opera House Play Award.

This annual Award (2024-2027 inclusive) will be given to a primary-aged school, learning program, class or an individual student or teacher, who has made a remarkable and ongoing contribution to play in learning with demonstrated positive impact in the school community.

In 2025, the Sydney Opera House Play Award winner was Berrima Primary School. NSW.

Limitations

- The Play Award is open to any primary school in Australia.
- The Award will be given to a school with a learning program, student/s or teacher/s that has made a remarkable contribution to play in learning with demonstrated positive impact to the school community.
- To be considered for the Award you must submit a written application as outlined below.
- A school can only make one submission. Additional submissions will not be accepted.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19669/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19669/apply

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QCoal Foundation Scholarship

Funding Provider
QCoal Foundation

Location
QLD

Funding Type
Scholarship S05710

Primary Category
Education

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
Amount: $30,000 to $30,000
Total Pool: $30,000

Rounds
Closes **16 Jan 2026**

Purpose

QCoal Foundation is proud to partner with James Cook University (JCU) to provide the QCoal Foundation Scholarship. Established in 2015, the Scholarship aims to support students who intend to commence study at JCU, with preference given to those from regional and remote communities in Queensland.

Overview

The $30,000 scholarship provides a pathway to further education without the economic challenges that are associated with having to relocate to attend university.

The value of the scholarship shall be $10,000 per year for up to three years. Payments will be made in 3 equal instalments (to the nearest dollar) after census date of TRI 1, TRI 2 and TRI 3.

$10,000 per year for up to 3 years.

Limitations

Eligibility

If all the below statements describe you and your current situation, you can apply for this scholarship.

- I am an Australian citizen or holder of an Australian Permanent visa with a home address located within the state of Queensland.
- I have completed Year 12 within 2 years prior to studying at James Cook University;
- I am a commencing student in the year the scholarship is to be awarded, enrolled in an undergraduate course at James Cook University; or I am commencing my second year enrolled in a Geology or Earth Science undergraduate course;
- I am or will be enrolled full time;
- I am currently living in, or have relocated from, an outer regional, remote or very remote area (See RA3 – RA5 ASCG Remoteness Categories).

Preference will be given to applicants with a home address in the following postcodes: 4702, 4707, 4709, 4712, 4717, 4718, 4720, 4721, 4722, 4723, 4739, 4741, 4742, 4743, 4744, 4745, 4800, 4802, 4804, 4805, 4822

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05710/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05710/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05710/apply
Contact: Nicole Ireland
Email: nicole.ireland@qcoal.com.au **Phone:** 3002 2900

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QLD Health Workforce Scholarship Program

Funding Provider
Health Workforce Queensland

Location
QLD

Funding Type
Scholarship S05703

Primary Category
Education

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
Amount: Unknown to $10,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Opens **19 Jan 2026** Closes **1 Feb 2026**

Last Round
Closed **19 Oct 2025**

Purpose

The Health Workforce Scholarship Program (HWSP) provides scholarships and bursaries to help health professionals in remote and rural Australia retain and enhance their skills, capacity and scope of practice.

Overview

Scholarships and bursaries are available for medical, nursing, midwifery, dental, allied health, and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health workers, who are providing primary health care in remote and rural Queensland. They must work in private practice, Aboriginal Medical Services (AMS), Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Services (ACCHS), or non-profit organisations.

Eligible Locations:

- MM 3-7 locations for remote and rural primary health care providers.
- MM 1-7 locations for health professionals employed by AMSs and ACCHSs.

Bursary: Payments of up to $10,000 within a 12-month period that covers the cost of course fees and training related expenses such as travel and accommodation where appropriate. Including online or face-to-face: short courses, workshops, and conferences.

Scholarship: Payments up to $10,000 per year can be provided for up to two years, to attain a post graduate qualification of either a postgraduate certificate, postgraduate diploma, Master or PhD.

Note: Retrospective costs (completed courses) are not eligible for funding. If you're currently undertaking eligible upskilling (part-way through the course), funding may be assessed for future expenses.

Limitations

Eligibility:

Who is eligible?

You are:

A health professional who has obtained their primary professional qualification (minimum Bachelor unless otherwise noted below), holds professional registration (AHPRA or equivalent) and is working in the role as:

- An Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Health Worker/Practitioner (minimum Certificate 4 in Primary Health Care); or
- An Allied Health Professional, including but not limited to:
    - Audiologists
    - Chiropractors
    - Dietitians
    - Exercise physiologists
    - Medical radiation practitioners
    - Occupational therapists
    - Optometrists
    - Orthoptists
    - Orthotists/prosthetists
    - Osteopaths
    - Pharmacists
    - Physiotherapists
    - Podiatrists
    - Psychologists

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- Social workers
- Sonographers
- Speech pathologists

- A Dentist; or
- A Medical Practitioner; or
- A Nurse or Midwife (minimum Diploma)

Providing primary health care services to patients on a full or part-time basis.

Providing (or can demonstrate through a service or employment agreement that you are about to provide) primary health care services in rural Queensland (MMM 3-7 locations). Or, an eligible health professional working in an Aboriginal Medical Service (AMS) or Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Service (ACCHS) in MMM 1-7 locations. Refer to the Health Workforce Locator.

Proposing to undertake study or upskilling activities that will fill the established, high priority gaps in primary healthcare service provision within your community, as identified in the HWNA.

Proposing to continue working for an eligible employer in a rural Queensland MMM 3-7 (or MMM 1-7 if you are employed by a AMS or ACCHS) location for the course duration and after completing your course. If the funding provided is greater than $5,000 for one course and/or course length is greater than 6 months you will be required to complete a return of service obligation (ROSO) for 12 months after the completion of the course with your eligible employer as per your original approval.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05703/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05703/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05703/apply
Email: scholarships@healthworkforce.com.au

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RMIT University Scholarships

Funding Provider
RMIT University

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Scholarship S05607

Primary Category
Education

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

RMIT awards more than 2,000 scholarships worth millions of dollars every year.

Overview

RMIT supports a comprehensive scholarship program that addresses some of the financial, educational and difficult circumstances our students can face.

The University will only consider students who meet the eligibility criteria of a scholarship, bursary or prize.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05607/info
Website: https://www.rmit.edu.au/students/careers-opportunities/scholarships/contact

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Rural GP Study Support Grant

Funding Provider
Rural Doctors Workforce Agency (RDWA)

Location
WA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19680

Primary Category
Education

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$1,000

Rounds
Closes **17 Dec 2026**

Purpose

The Rural GP Study Support Grant provides financial support to eligible doctors when taking time off from practising to study and prepare for exams and assessments required to complete a self-funded GP college Fellowship pathway. This grant is offered through RDWA's Towards Fellowship Program.

Overview

This grant provides $500 per day, for a maximum of two days per exam semester, for doctors who do not have access to paid study leave.

The Rural GP Study Support Grant recognises the financial impact incurred by rural GPs who are on a pre-fellowship or fellowship pathway when they cannot practice.

Limitations

To be eligible for this grant, you must be a rural GP who:

- Is currently practising in private general practice in an eligible rural South Australian location (MM2-7)
- Does not hold Specialist Registration with the Medical Board of Australia
- Is progressing towards fellowship on an Eligible Fellowship Pathway (outlined in section 4 of the applicant guidelines)
- Has enrolled in an Eligible Exam Activity (outlined in section 5 of the applicant guidelines)
- Does not have access to paid leave entitlements.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19680/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19680/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19680/apply

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Rural Workforce Agency Victoria - Grants

Funding Provider
Rural Workforce Agency Victoria (RWAV)

Location
VIC

Funding Type
Scholarship S05708

Primary Category
Education

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

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Purpose

RWAV has grants available for rural and regional Victorian health professionals. Grants are designed to help you achieve your career goals including relocation, professional development and postgraduate education.

Overview

Grants currently open are listed here

Grants are available for health professionals working in the following types of health services:

- **Private health**- non-government funded health services, or services that receive the majority of funding from sources other than government such as private clinics and Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Organisations (ACCHOs).
- **Aboriginal health**- Services that primarily provide care for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people (such as Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Organisations (ACCHOs) and Aboriginal Medical Centres), workers who work primarily with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people or health professionals from Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander backgrounds

Professionals working in **Public health** (government funded health services, such as public hospitals) are not eligible for RWAV grants.

To view which grants are applicable to you, select your profession, course status, sector (private, public or Aboriginal health) and postcode and press search.

If you would like more information on RWAV grants, get in touch by email, phone 03 9349 7800 (Option 1) or visit the FAQs page.

To be eligible for grants, health professionals must be working in an eligible health service in a regional Victorian MMM2-MMM7 location. We suggest you check which MMM your area is by using the Health Workforce Locator.

Limitations

Eligibility:

To be eligible to apply for an RWAV grant, you must be working in an eligible health profession in an eligible location in regional Victoria. Grants are only available to health professionals working for non-government health services. Health professionals working for an Aboriginal health service may be eligible for grants regardless of their location in Victoria. Refer to individual grant guidelines to confirm eligibility.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05708/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05708/apply
Email: grants@rwav.com.au **Phone:** (03) 9349 7800 (option 4)

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Safe Tree Program

Funding Providers
Victorian School Building Authority (VSBA)
Department of Education (VIC)

Location
VIC

Funding Type
Cash Grant G11651

Primary Category
Education

Eligible to
School

Funding
Amount: Undisclosed
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Government schools can apply for assistance to assess, manage or remove high-risk trees on their grounds.

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Overview

When schools have conducted their routine school tree assessment and there are trees classified as high-risk with supporting documentation (an arborist report and quote for high risk tree works), the school may apply to the Safe Tree Program (the program) for financial support of high risk tree works and the cost of the arborist report. The school will implement the high-risk tree works through their qualified arborist.

Through the program, advice and financial support can also be provided to schools to assess, manage, and have high-risk tree works conducted where schools do not otherwise have the capacity to arrange an arborist inspection and undertake such works through a qualified arborist.

In this situation the Victorian School Building Authority (VSBA) will lead the assessment of trees on the school grounds and the implementation of any high-risk tree works.

Limitations

The program is application-based and open to all government schools.

Financial assistance under this program is available for schools:

- to engage a qualified arborist to assess the health of all existing trees on site
- to address the recommendations for high-risk tree works provided by a qualified arborist.

Under the program, schools may also seek advice and assistance from the VSBA in implementing the recommendations provided by a qualified arborist when work is funded by the school.

There is no limit on the number of trees eligible for Safe Tree Program funding – the intent of the program is to prioritise the removal and/or pruning of all identified high-risk trees from school sites.

Schools should not apply for assistance through the Safe Tree Program for:

- vegetation and grass removal or management
- tree sanctuaries or plantations as defined in the Plantations Policy.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G11651/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G11651/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G11651/apply
Email: vsba.response.program@education.vic.gov.au

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School Subsidy Scheme

Funding Provider
Department of Education (QLD)

Location
QLD

Funding Type
Cash Grant G01817

Primary Category
Education

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- School
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
$50,000
Total Pool: $10,000,000

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

To assist schools with the cost of school community facility (capital works) projects to enhance learning outcomes for students and the wider community.

Overview

The funding is initiated for capital works that fall outside of the scope of other infrastructure programs offered by the Department of Education.

The Schools Subsidy Scheme (SSS) is supportive of innovative infrastructure projects.

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The Scheme is ongoing.

Allocation of funds:

A total budget of $10 million is offered annually. Applications close in November of the prior year with program approval in June the following year.

Project approval is subject to funding availability and Ministerial approval.

Funds are paid to the relevant school and the principal will be responsible for funds being used appropriately and to ensure the project is delivered within required departmental and legislative requirements, as outlined in the program guidelines.

Funding applications will consist of a co-contribution from the school or centre, in addition to the subsidy amount being sought. The split in contributions to make up the overall proposed project budget is determined by the SSS calculator. The school's location, student enrolment, and estimated project costs are taken into account when calculating the required school contribution.

The Minister for Education will approve the list of recommended projects in late June. Funding will be available from July of the financial year to which the funding is assigned.

Applications close in November of the prior year. The closing date for the year and current application forms are available on the SSS OnePortal page.

Limitations

Eligibility:

All Queensland state schools (including state primary, high, middle and special schools; environmental educational centres; and distance education schools) are eligible to seek funding to initiate projects of $50,000 and above under the SSS. The maximum subsidy value provided to each project is $500,000, including those staged over time.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G01817/info
Email: schoolsubsidyscheme@qed.qld.gov.au **Phone:** (07) 3034 4854

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Secondary Scholarships and Awards

Funding Provider
Freemasons Foundation Victoria

Location
VIC

Funding Type
Scholarship S05747

Primary Category
Education

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$1,700
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **6 Feb 2026**

Purpose

Freemasons Foundation Victoria is committed to supporting the youth of Victoria. A major initiative is their annual scholarship and award program for Secondary students.

Overview

Awards available:

- Year 7 to 10 awards valued at $900 each (50 available)
- Year 11 to 12 awards valued between $1,400 - $1,700 (28 available)

The following criteria is taken into consideration when reviewing applications:

- school results/academic progress;
- demonstrated financial need or difficulties;

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- school and community activities;
- funds will be used for 2026 education costs not already incurred.

Limitations

Secondary Scholarship Awards are available to:

- students studying Year 7 to Year 12 in 2026 at a Victorian secondary school
- Australian Citizen or Permanent Resident of Australia domiciled in Victoria.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05747/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05747/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05747/apply
Email: enquiries@freemasonsfoundation.org **Phone:** 03 8535 4780

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Skills NT Grant

Funding Provider
Department of Education and Training (NT)

Location
NT

Funding Type
Cash Grant G17606

Primary Category
Education

Eligible to
Business

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **31 Dec 2028 1.30pm ACST**

Purpose

The Department of Education and Training is committed to skilling Territorians through engagement with Vocational Education and Training (VET), a nationally recognised qualification, skillset or units of competency in an aim to increase employment and economic outcomes.

Overview

The Skills NT grant is designed to be targeted and responsive for the delivery of VET and/or support for the delivery of VET in one or more of the defined focus areas:

- **Supporting equity groups:** helping to remove barriers by accessing skilled training for disadvantage groups.
- **Creating skilling pathways:** initiatives that give Territorians practical skills to help them obtain a job, apprenticeship or traineeship
- **Building skills for industries and occupations that are in high demand:** Initiatives that assist Territorians to upskill or reskilling existing workers in occupations or industries in high demand or affected by change
- **Implementing innovative approaches to apprenticeship and training delivery**
- **Improving outcomes for Aboriginal Territorians**
- **Increasing the availability of training in regional and remote areas**

Grant applications demonstrating collaboration between registered training organisations, peak bodies and associations are particularly encouraged.

Limitations

Funding is available to organisations only.

To be eligible for funding an organisation must

- be physically located and actively operating in the NT

Types of organisations that are eligible for funding include

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- RTOs
- Peak bodies and associations
- Joint applications can be accepted, provided a lead applicant is identified to drive the program.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G17606/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G17606/apply
Email: trainingoperations@nt.gov.au **Phone:** 08 8935 7746

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Social Impact Scholarship - 2026

Funding Provider
Centre for Social Impact

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Scholarship S05740

Primary Category
Education

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds

Closes **18 Jan 2026 (UNSW and Flinders University)**

Closes **1 Feb 2026 (Swinburne University)**

Last Round
Closed **14 Dec 2025**

Purpose

Each year, scholarships support students dedicated to alleviating social inequities and creating sustainable solutions that address the root causes of disadvantage across Australia and beyond.

Overview

In 2026, Centre for Social Impact is continuing its commitment with over $100,000 of scholarship funding to be awarded to changemakers studying social impact at one of our partner universities:

- Flinders University (CSI Flinders)
- Swinburne University of Technology (CSI Swinburne)
- The University of New South Wales (CSI UNSW)
- The University of Western Australia (CSI UWA)

Made possible through generous donations from our supporters, these postgraduate scholarships expand access to education and leadership development, while helping to alleviate economic barriers to study. They empower recipients to deepen their knowledge, grow their networks, and create lasting social impact in their communities.

Each university has a total pool of funds to award students who are either commencing or continuing their postgraduate study with the Centre for Social Impact in 2026.

Specific information for each university is outlined in the table below.

Please note:

- The allocation of scholarship funds will be determined by the judging panel at each university. For example, $30,000 could be awarded as six $5,000 scholarships, three $10,000 scholarships, or two $15,000 scholarships.
- These scholarships are not full or cash scholarships
- If successful, the scholarship amount is applied as a discount against course fees

Applications open 11 November 2025. Follow the link to the 2026 CSI Scholarships and select your preferred university to apply. Each university has a unique process to align with their academic calendar and ensure successful applicants can be notified before 2026 classes begin.

Limitations

Eligibility

To be eligible, applicants must meet the following criteria:

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- Be commencing or continuing in an eligible CSI program at one of our participating universities
- Be intending to complete the program of study within the allocated time frame (full-time/part equivalent)
- Are a Domestic student which includes Australian or New Zealand Citizens and Permanent Residents
- Are not in a receipt of another scholarship towards your program of study (Students receiving a commonwealth supported place are still eligible)

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05740/info
Email: csinational@unsw.edu.au

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Start Strong for Community Preschools Program - 2025

Funding Provider
Department of Education (NSW)

Location
NSW

Funding Type
Cash Grant G16283

Primary Category
Education

Eligible to
Not-for-Profit

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **31 Dec 2025**

Purpose

The Start Strong for Community Preschools program provides funding to deliver affordable quality preschool education for 3 to 5 year old children enrolled in eligible community and mobile preschools in NSW.

Overview

This funding is designed to significantly reduce preschool fees, making 600 hours of early childhood education more affordable for families.

Start Strong promotes universal access and priority of access by providing:

- higher program funding rates for preschools which operate within the lower range of Socio-Economic Indexes for Areas (SEIFA) score of relative socio-economic disadvantage
- additional funding for children 3 years old and above from low-income families, children with an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander background, and children with disability or additional needs
- loadings for preschools that operate in outer regional, remote and very remote areas
- further loadings and subsidies as outlined in Appendix 1: Calculation and payment of funding
- up to $4,347 per year in fee relief for 3- to 5-year-old children enrolled in community and mobile preschools reducing the cost of early childhood education for families.

The 2025 Start Strong for Community Preschools program operates on a calendar year from 1 January 2025 to 31 December 2025.

Interested organisations who would like to apply for funding through Start Strong for Community Preschools should write to the department via email at ecec.funding@det.nsw.edu.au. Providers of services already approved for funding generally do not need to re-apply for funding.

Limitations

Eligibility Criteria:

To be eligible for funding as a community or mobile preschool, providers must ensure the service meets all of the following criteria:

- be a not-for-profit community preschool or mobile preschool service
- be an approved early childhood education and care service under the *Education and Care Services National Law Act 2010*(National Law) and Education and Care Services National Regulations

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- deliver a quality early childhood education program by a qualified early childhood teacher in accordance with the requirements under the National Quality FrameworkExternal link, including using the Early Years Learning Framework (PDF 719 KB)External link
- accept and comply with the *Early Childhood Outcomes Programs Funding Agreement Terms and Conditions 1 January 2025 to 31 December 2025*(Terms and Conditions).

Services must take reasonable steps to deliver 600 hours of quality preschool to all children enrolled at the service.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Email
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G16283/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G16283/guidelines
Email: ecec.funding@det.nsw.edu.au **Phone:** 1800 619 113

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Student hostels assistance: Capital and Recurrent grants

Funding Provider
Department of Education (QLD)

Location
QLD

Funding Type
Cash Grant G00933

Primary Category
Education

Eligible to
Not-for-Profit

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Department of Education provides recurrent and capital assistance to eligible non-profit organisations providing hostel accommodation in rural areas to accommodate geographically isolated primary and secondary students (including students with disabilities) so they may have daily access to schools.

Overview

The student hostel recurrent grant is a per capital grant designed to assist hostels with operational costs. The department strongly encourages expenditure of 40% on pastoral care services to students in hostels.

Continued payment is conditional upon: the provision of a financial certificate signed by a qualified auditor, the completion of a satisfactory statement of uses and benefits for the funds received in the previous calendar year; and submission of a satisfactory accountability checklist per semester. Student attendance is also certified by both the hostel management authority and school principal(s).

2025
Rates of payment for recurrent grant from 1 January 2025:

- first 20 students, $4,742 per student per annum
- each additional student $4,048 per student per annum.

Minimum grant per hostel $16,712 per annum (hostels with 8 eligible students or less) plus $2,653 per student per annum.

Capital assistance
Up to 50% of approved project costs up to a maximum of $50,000 per hostel per annum.

Limitations

Recurrent grant general eligibility:

Hostels approved to receive funding can claim recurrent grants on behalf of students who meet the following requirements:

- student's parents reside in Queensland;
- student is in residence at the hostel for at least four consecutive weeks in a semester. Special consideration may be granted for students who are in residence on a regular basis, but not for four consecutive weeks, e.g. children of

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itinerant workers. Such claims are assessed on their merits provided the aggregate enrolment reaches a total of at least 50 per cent of the school year. Payment is made on a pro rata basis; and
- student attends an approved primary, secondary or special education facility.

Students with disabilities will attract the same benefits. Tertiary or TAFE students may be enrolled only after applications from eligible students are considered. Tertiary or TAFE students will not attract benefits.

Capital grant general eligibility:

Hostel management authorities holding current approval to receive funding in terms of the General Funding Conditions are eligible to access Capital Grants.

Eligible projects need to meet relevant local authority ordinances, plus fire and workplace health and safety requirements if applicable. Eligible projects include:

- purchase of land where land and erection of hostel building(s) are part of the same project;
- construction of hostel building(s);
- purchase of land and buildings and conversion of premises for use as a student hostel (as one project);
- purchase and replacement of furniture and equipment appropriate for the number of students to be accommodated;
- renovation associated with meeting the accommodation needs of students with disabilities;
- large maintenance and refurbishment projects costing in excess of $2000 each (e.g. re-roofing); and
- consultants fees (e.g. legal and architectural).

Work (or incurring of costs) is not to commence on a project prior to receipt of advice that funding has been approved. Such activities are entered into at full expense of the hostel in the event that the application is unsuccessful.

For major projects hostel management authorities need to:

- own both the land and the building used by the hostel;
- have relevant lease(s) which cover a period of at least 10 years from the date of completion of the project; or
- demonstrate ongoing viability through past and future enrolments.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Mail
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G00933/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G00933/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G00933/apply
Contact: School Financial Resourcing
Email: hostels.finance@qed.qld.gov.au **Phone:** (07) 3034 5825

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TAFE Scholarship for Rural and Regional Students

Funding Providers
Bendigo and Adelaide Bank
Bendigo Bank

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Scholarship S05496

Primary Category
Education

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$10,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **31 Jan 2026**

Last Round
Closed **31 Jan 2025**

Purpose

The scholarship program aims to financially support disadvantaged, community minded students from a rural or regional area, who have been offered a full-time place at an Australian TAFE.

Overview

The scholarship program supports the following study related expenses - accommodation costs, course costs, study-related materials/equipment, textbooks, tutoring and/or education related travel (within Australia).

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Eligible courses include:

- Full-time or competency-based completion (apprenticeships).
- Certificate I, II, III or IV, Diploma, Advanced Diploma or Associate degree.

Fast facts

- **How much?** The scholarship award value is **$5,000** per year for a maximum of 2 years/or for the duration of the successful recipient's course (up to a maximum of 2 years, whichever is the lesser).
- **Accommodation?** Yes, it's covered. This scholarship supports accommodation costs, reducing the financial burden of paying rent.
- **Study resources?** Books and computers are a must for you to get through your studies, so it makes sense for these must-have items to be covered.
- **Course fee?** Yes, this scholarship can be used to cover course fees.
- **Deferring?** Scholarship funds cannot be put on lay-by so if you're planning a gap year you'll have to wait to apply.

Limitations

Criteria

- This scholarship is for students **living in rural and regional** Australia.
- You must be **aged 16 to 25** – students under the age of 18 years will require parental/guardian consent to accept this scholarship.
- You must have **left secondary school (having completed Year 10 as a minimum)**.
- You have been offered a place or enrolled to commence study at an approved Australian **TAFE institute campus** in an approved Australian course.
- You can be studying **on campus and/or off campus (including online)**.
- You can be studying on a **full-time** basis.
- Course must be of at least a minimum of **26 weeks**' duration for full-time study.
- You can demonstrate your passion and desire to supporting rural communities both now and into the future.
- You can demonstrate community involvement.

Applications are encouraged from Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, people living with a disability, people from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds and those who identify as LGBTQA+.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05496/info
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05496/apply
Phone: 1300 304 541

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Tertiary Access Payment

Funding Providers
Services Australia
Department of Education

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G12692

Primary Category
Education

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
Amount: $3,000 to $5,000

Rounds
Closes **31 Dec 2025**

Last Round
Closed **31 Dec 2023**

Purpose

The Tertiary Access Payment (TAP) is a one off payment of up to $5,000. It's to help eligible students with the cost of moving to study. This is for study after you've finished year 12 or equivalent.

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Overview

If you are a student from outer regional, remote, or very remote areas you can apply for up to $5,000 to relocate to participate in tertiary education in your first year of study. The payment is made in two instalments the first payment being made 42 days (six weeks) after the qualifying tertiary course start date.

If you are a student from an inner regional area you can apply for $3,000 to relocate to participate in tertiary education in your first year of study. A single instalment is made 42 days (six weeks) after the qualifying tertiary course start date.

You can apply for the TAP in the calendar year you commence your first year of study in a qualifying tertiary course until the age of 22 (inclusive). You must apply between the applicable opening and closing dates.

The TAP is intended to help you with the costs of relocating to access and participate in tertiary education. Eligible students are not restricted as to how the payment can be used.

Limitations

Eligibility criteria

To be eligible for the TAP you must:

- be from an inner regional, outer regional, remote, or very remote area as defined by the Australian Statistical Geography Standard - Remoteness Area classification.
- have completed Year 12 or an equivalent level of education and commenced your first year of study in a qualifying tertiary course which is a Certificate IV or above qualification, with a minimum course duration of one academic year
- have relocated to study at an education provider, which includes: (1) a vocational education and training (VET) provider that offer higher-level tertiary education courses (Certificate IV or above), (2) a non-university higher education provider (NUHEP), or (3) university, at least 90 minutes by public transport from their family home, OR have relocated to study at an education provider and you are registered and accessing a Regional University Study Hub or Suburban University Study Hub at least 90 minutes by public transport from their family home
- be enrolled in at least 75 per cent of your course's normal full-time study load, or an approved concessional study load
- be studying face to face, or in dual delivery method, for at least part of the course,
- show that parent(s) or guardian(s) have a combined income of $250,000 or below in the relevant tax year or be exempt from providing parental income (see section 9.8 of the guidelines for further information); and
- meet Australian citizenship or residency requirements.

The minimum age for eligibility for the TAP is 16 years, unless you are:

- over the minimum school leaving age for the state or territory in which you reside, or
- under the minimum school leaving age and have a formal exemption from attending school by the state or territory in which you reside, and
- independent according to the criteria for ABSTUDY or Youth Allowance in which case the minimum age is 15 years.

The maximum age is 22 years at the time of commencement of the course, noting you may have taken a break during secondary studies for reasons outside of your control such as medical reasons or emergencies, or have completed Year 12 or equivalent level of education over multiple years.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G12692/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G12692/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G12692/apply
Contact: Services Australia
Email: regional@dese.gov.au **Phone:** 132 490

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Tertiary Scholarship Program

Funding Provider
Veterans SA

Location
SA

Funding Type
Scholarship S05736

Primary Category
Education

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$5,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **9 Feb 2026 5.00 pm**

Purpose

The Veterans SA Tertiary Scholarship Program provides grants of up to $5,000 (incl. GST) to support eligible veterans and partners of current-serving and former ADF members to undertake higher education and training.

Overview

Financial challenges can heavily influence the career direction and progression of veteran community members as they navigate their professional lives in the civilian workforce.

The program aims to reduce the financial burden to higher education faced by current-serving and former ADF members and partners, often trying to support themselves and their families while finding a new purpose or career direction.

Through the scholarship program, eligible veterans and partners of current-serving and former ADF members can apply to receive up to 75% of their out-of-pocket education expenses, capped at $5,000 (incl. GST) per applicant. The funds can be used to support costs such as tuition, textbooks, resources and required course equipment.

The scholarship process is competitive, and applications may be funded in full, partially funded or not funded at all.

Limitations

To be eligible to apply for funding under the Veterans SA Tertiary Scholarship Program, applicants must:

- be South Australian residents
- have Australian residency status
- be a former permanent serving member of the Australian Defence Force (ADF) or the partner of a current or former serving ADF member.
- be enrolled or planning to enrol in a tertiary course of study (recognised under the Australian Qualifications Framework) at a university, TAFE or a registered training organisation in Australia.
- not be in receipt of any education scholarships at the time of application, including but not limited to scholarships from the Australian Government designed to offset higher degree research fees.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05736/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05736/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05736/apply
Email: veteranssa@sa.gov.au **Phone:** 08 7133 9303, Option 1

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Tertiary Scholarships

Funding Provider
MADALAH

Location
WA

Funding Type
Scholarship S05471

Primary Category
Education

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **23 Jan 2026**

Purpose

MADALAH provides scholarships for Indigenous students to attend Western Australia's leading boarding schools and Australian universities.

Overview

Applications for tertiary scholarships commencing in Semester 1 2026 are now open and will close on 23rd January 2026.

Funds can be used for:

- University and Tuition fees
- Textbooks & stationery
- Travel related expenses
- IT equipment
- Uniforms
- Living expenses
- Boarding and accommmodation
- Personal
- Helpful Resources and Leadership.

Limitations

Criteria

- Be of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent and be able to provide proof of descent
- Be seeking a tertiary scholarship
- Have applied or be in the process of applying to an Australian University for full-time study
- Provide proof of enrolment or an acceptance letter
- Provide most recent academic results
- Provide one letter from a referee
- Applicants must have a home location in Western Australia

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05471/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05471/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05471/apply
Email: scholarships@madalah.com.au **Phone:** 08 6153 0753

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Tertiary Scholarships

Funding Provider
Freemasons Foundation Victoria

Location
VIC

Funding Type
Scholarship S05748

Primary Category
Education

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$13,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **6 Feb 2026**

Purpose

Freemasons Foundation Victoria is committed to supporting the youth of Victoria. A major initiative is their annual scholarship and award program for Tertiary and Secondary students.

Overview

Awards available

- 1 award of $13,000 per annum, tenable for the duration of the course
- 1 award of $11,000 over 3 years with possible extension and access to supplementary financial support for related education activities.
- 1 award of $6,500 per annum, tenable for 3 years
- 44 awards of $6,500 for 1 year

Limitations

Tertiary Awards

- Open to students who completed Year 12 in 2025
- For students excelling academically, or in-need of financial assistance
- You have been offered and accepted a place in a Victorian Tertiary Institution (University or TAFE) to study full time in 2026.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05748/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05748/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05748/apply
Contact: Jacintha Chiang
Email: enquiries@freemasonsfoundation.org **Phone:** (03) 8535 4780

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The APS Prize

Funding Provider
Australian Psychological Society (APS)

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Award A00847

Primary Category
Education

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **31 Jan 2026**

Purpose

The APS Prize recognises academic excellence in psychology. One annual APS Prize will be offered at each higher education provider that has an APAC-accredited program in psychology of four (4) years duration or an APAC-accredited fourth year program in psychology comprising one (1) year equivalent study, or both.

Overview

Successful Candidates for the APS Prize will receive:

- A letter from the APS President that recognizes the excellence of their achievements in studying psychology
- A certificate
- Be offered a one year membership of the Society, for the following twelve (12) month period at no cost.

Recommendations for the APS Prize open each November and are accepted until January of the following year.

Limitations

Eligibility

- Candidates need not be members of the APS.
- The APS Prize may be awarded to the student who gains first place at the end of either:
    - an APAC-accredited program in psychology of four (4) years' duration leading to a single qualification; or
    - an APAC-accredited fourth year program in psychology comprising one (1) year equivalent of study.
- When two (2) or more students gain first place based on their results for the fourth year, the relevant academic organisational unit is required to select one (1) of these students for the APS Prize, based initially on the mark awarded for the fourth year thesis and, if this does not separate the students, then based upon performance in psychology units in their third year.
- Only students who have completed all work by the end-of-year examination period and whose results have been ratified by the appropriate higher education provider Board of Examiners are eligible for consideration for the APS Prize in that year.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/A00847/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/A00847/apply
Email: awards@psychology.org.au

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The University of Melbourne Scholarships

Funding Provider
The University of Melbourne

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Scholarship G17412

Primary Category
Education

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The University of Melbourne offers more than 1200 scholarships and prizes including bursaries and grants, for current and commencing students.

Overview

Scholarships and prizes are offered for purposes including recognising achievements, increasing access and participation, and providing financial assistance to realise academic and personal success.

Every scholarship, bursary and prize is awarded for a particular purpose and has specific requirements. For some you will need to submit an application and for others you will be automatically considered if you have applied for a course, or automatically considered during your studies.

The University will only consider students who meet the eligibility criteria of a scholarship, bursary or prize.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G17412/info
Website: https://scholarships.unimelb.edu.au/contact

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Travel and accommodation subsidy

Funding Provider
Department of Employment, Economic Development and Innovation

Location
QLD

Funding Type
Subsidised Goods And Services G03505

Primary Category
Education

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Department of Education and Training provides financial assistance to subsidise additional costs incurred by apprentices and trainees who travel specified distances to attend off-the-job training, which is undertaken by them as part of their apprenticeship and traineeship training contract.

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Overview

If your closest training organisation, that offers your course, is a long distance from home, the Department may help pay for some of your travel costs.

If you're eligible, we can pay the following costs.

Prior to 1 July 2025:

- up to 33c/km for road and rail travel
- $57 per night for intrastate accommodation
- $109 per night for interstate accommodation
- for flights.

After 1 July 2025:

- up to 34c/km for road and rail travel
- $58 per night for intrastate accommodation
- $112 per night for interstate accommodation
- for flights.

Limitations

Am I eligible?

To claim the travel and accommodation allowance, you must:

- be a registered apprentice or trainee in Queensland
- be part-time or full-time, but **not** school-based (see details below)
- travel more than 100km return to your **closest** training organisation
- claim your allowances within 6 months of travel.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Mail, Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G03505/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G03505/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G03505/apply
Phone: 1800 210 210

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Under 30's Diploma of Governance Scholarship Round

Funding Provider
Institute of Community Directors Australia (ICDA)

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Scholarship S05160

Primary Category
Education

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$1,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **31 Dec 2025**

Last Round
Closed **31 Dec 2024**

Purpose

As champions of diversity, the Institute of Community Directors Australia has long been focused on providing leadership opportunities to the most underrepresented sectors of the community.

Overview

Many organisations try to shape the decisions young people make on a daily basis, but many of these organisations fail to interact with the very demographic they are trying to influence. Youth on boards can offer new perspectives and insights into how to communicate with young audiences. As a sector, we need to embrace young people, and let them help us to help them. The *Youth* round of the *ICDA diversity scholarships* is for anyone aged 30 and below who is interested in joining a board.

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Not-for-profit leaders will be given the chance to win a part-scholarship to complete ICDA's acclaimed Diploma of Governance (BSB52318).

While ICDA has offered scholarships in the past for Australia's premier diploma-level governance qualification, rounds this year will offer opportunities to more individuals across more sectors, providing a leg-up to the most under-represented groups in the country.

Scholarship funding

The full cost of the Diploma of Governance is $4,500, comprising enrolment, assessment and administration. Partial scholarship recipients are liable for the remainder ($3,500).

The $1000 partial scholarships have been fast tracked to allow students to apply immediately for any of the targeted sub-sectors (this listing is about the Advocacy sub-sector), with decisions to be made on eligibility within 10 days of submission.

Limitations

Applicants must demonstrate:

- that they are 30 years of age or younger at the time of application
- their experience sitting on a board or working closely with a board of directors
- their passion for young people on Boards
- the main opportunities and challenges for young people on Boards
- their reasons for wanting to improve their governance skills Applicants must also agree to the terms and conditions

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05160/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05160/guidelines

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05160/apply
Email: service@ourcommunity.com.au **Phone:** (03) 9320 6800

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University Scholarship for Rural and Regional students

Funding Providers
Bendigo and Adelaide Bank
Bendigo Bank

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Scholarship S05497

Primary Category
Education

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$13,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **31 Jan 2026**

Last Round
Closed **31 Jan 2025**

Purpose

This Scholarship is for students living in rural and regional Australia.

Overview

Let's get started by looking at the things you need to know now.

- This Scholarship is for students **living in rural and regional** Australia.
- Any subject can be studied under this scholarship provided that it is at **undergraduate bachelor's degree level** in an approved Australian course.
- You must be an Australian citizen or permanent resident.
- Only first-time, first year university students wishing to **study full-time** can apply.
- You can demonstrate your passion and desire to supporting rural communities both now and into the future.
- You can demonstrate community involvement.

Fast facts

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- **Accommodation?** Yes, it's covered. This scholarship supports accommodation costs, reducing the financial burden of paying rent.
- **Study resources?** Books and computers are a must for you to get through your studies, so it makes sense for these must-have items to be covered.
- **How much?** The scholarship award value is **$6,500** per year for a maximum of 2 years/or for the duration of the successful recipient's course (up to a maximum of 2 years, whichever is the lesser).
- **How long?** The scholarship covers **one full year of study** but, depending on your academic performance, it may be renewed for a second year.
- **Deferring?** Scholarship funds cannot be put on lay-by so if you're planning a gap year you'll have to wait to apply.
- **Mature age?** Only secondary school leavers can apply for this scholarship.
- **Started another course?** This scholarship is for first time tertiary students only.
- **Work part-time?** The study and work life balance can be quite a juggle and we know that part-time work is essential to get by, so provided that you're studying full-time, this scholarship is for you.

Applications are encouraged from Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, people living with a disability, people from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds and those who identify as LGBTQA+.

Limitations

Eligibility

- You are an Australian citizen or permanent resident.
- You are from a regional, rural or remote area.
- You can demonstrate leadership both within, and outside, your school community.
- You can demonstrate the challenging circumstances (financial &/or social) hindering your ability to undertake further study; and
- You are an academically motivated student who can demonstrate community involvement

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05497/info
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05497/apply
Address: Fountain Court BENDIGO 3550 VIC
Phone: 1300 304 541

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Western Australian Premier's WACE Bursary

Funding Provider
Department of Jobs, Tourism, Science and Innovation (WA)

Location
WA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G13239

Primary Category
Education

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$20,000

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Western Australian Premier's WACE Bursary (the Bursary) provides up to 50 successful international Western Australian Certificate of Education (WACE) graduates with a total payment of $20,000 towards their living, travel and study expenses.

Overview

The Bursary is provided to support international WACE graduates who commence undergraduate or tertiary pathway studies in-person at one of Western Australia's 5 universities or at a Western Australian tertiary pathway provider.

Applications can be made on a rolling basis, and will be assessed at specific selection dates throughout the year:

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- 30 January 2026
- 24 April 2026

Limitations

To be eligible for the Western Australian Premier's WACE bursary, an international student must:

1. Have completed their WACE at an approved offshore SCSA school within 12 months of submitting an application for the Western Australian Premier's WACE Bursary or be an offshore Year 12 WACE student who is on track to complete their WACE within the next 12 months;
2. Accept an offer from a Western Australian university or tertiary pathway provider for an onshore full-time enrolment as an international student, with studies commencing in the 2025 or 2026 academic year; and
3. Be studying a course of at least one-year (two semesters) in length.

Before receiving the Bursary, successful applicants must:

1. Have commenced studies onshore at their selected Western Australian university or Western Australian tertiary pathway provider in the Semester for which they are applying;
2. Provide a copy of their Confirmation of Enrolment (CoE) from their selected Western Australian university or tertiary pathway provider;
3. Have attendance in their enrolled course confirmed past the relevant census date; and
4. Provide evidence of their Australian bank account.

Who is not eligible?

Students who are not eligible for the Western Australian Premier's WACE Bursary include:

1. Citizens and permanent residents of Australia;
2. Onshore international students;
3. Students who completed their WACE over 24 months prior to submitting an application for the Western Australian Premier's WACE Bursary;
4. Students who are studying a course of less than one-year duration; and
5. Students who do not meet other eligibility criteria described in the Guidelines.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G13239/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G13239/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G13239/apply
Email: scholarships@jtsi.wa.gov.au

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Young Indigenous Womens STEM Academy Program

Funding Provider
The Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation (CSIRO)

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Unknown Or Not Classified S05176

Primary Category
Education

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
Total Pool: $0

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Academy engages and mentors young Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander women in who are interested in Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM).

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Overview

The Academy implements culturally safe, inclusive practices to provide targeted, long-term support and access to STEM experiences and STEM careers. It is an individualised support program, that also fosters a peer network for Indigenous young women who have shared interests in science, technology, engineering and maths. Participants work with their dedicated Academic Coordinator to create exciting personal opportunities to explore STEM subjects and career interests outside of the classroom.

Limitations

Eligibility requirements:

- Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander female or female identifying.
- In Year 9 or above from 2024 onwards.
- Passing English, Maths and Science.
- Registered for school or homeschooling in their Australian state or territory.
- Demonstrated interest in STEM subjects and topics.
- Young women registered for school, boarding school or homeschooling.
- An expressed interest in STEM, and eagerness to enrol in STEM subjects as applicable.

The Academy is open to young Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Island women living in Australia. Intakes are dependent on scheduled year cohorts, but we highly encourage potential applicants to email the Academy outside of these schedules, as the program may adapt to new locations and ages depending on demand, year on year.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Email
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05176/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05176/apply
Phone: 1300 363 400

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Young Technologists Scholarship

Funding Provider
Westpac Bicentennial Foundation

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Scholarship S05690

Primary Category
Education

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$15,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **13 Jan 2026**

Purpose

The Westpac Young Technologists Scholarship was made for talented and inquisitive high school graduates looking to strengthen their passion and expertise in technology to innovate and create new opportunities and inspire good in the world of STEM.

Overview

There will be up to 35 scholarships awarded each year, about 7 scholarships at each of our five partner universities.

The Westpac Young Technologist Scholarship is valued at $20,000 and includes funding to the scholar of $5,000 per year for three years ($15,000 total) and the Disruptive Leaders Program, valued at $5,000.

The duration of the scholarship is three years.

The Westpac Young Technologist Scholarship program is offered at the following universities:

- Murdoch University
- Queensland University of Technology
- RMIT
- Western Sydney University

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- University of Wollongong.

Limitations

Eligibility:

- be an Australian citizen or permanent resident;
- have completed high school within the last two years;
- have chosen to commence an approved technology-related degree next year at one of our five partner universities;
- be able to attend the Young Tech, Disruptive Leaders Program in Singapore (July 2027); and
- be able to attend the Westpac Scholars Summit in late March 2026.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05690/info
Email: westpacscholars@westpac.com.au

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Youth Development Scholarships

Funding Provider
Department of Communities and Justice (NSW)

Location
NSW

Funding Type
Scholarship S05723

Primary Category
Education

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$1,000
Total Pool: $1,500,000

Rounds
Closes **13 Feb 2026 High School Students**

Closes **6 Mar 2026 Tertiary Students**

Purpose

The Department of Communities and Justice NSW will be offering over 1,500 scholarships to students enrolled in education or training in 2026.

Overview

The scholarship funds must be used for educational or support related costs to help you complete the school year.

Successful applicants will receive $1,000 to help with school expenses and secondary support services.

Application outcomes will be available in mid-late May 2026 and notifications will be sent to the registered email address. Schools of successful students will also be notified.

Application Dates:

- Applications for all high school students will open at 9:00am, 13 October 2025 and close **5:00pm, 13 February 2026**.
- Applications for Returning tertiary students will open at 9:00am, 13 October 2025 and close **5:00pm, 6 March 2026.**

Limitations

Who can apply?

You are eligible to apply if you are:

Studying in Year 10, 11 or 12 in NSW at one of the following in 2026:

- at a NSW high school or
- equivalent at a TAFE college including Pathways or
- doing a school-based apprenticeship or traineeship or
- home schooled
- doing a school-based apprenticeship or traineeship

You must also be either a social housing client or living in out-of-home care, this can include:

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- living in public housing, including Aboriginal housing
- being on the NSW Housing Register (wait list)
- receiving a private rental subsidy from DCJ (not Centrelink)
- living in community housing/Aboriginal community housing
- living in housing provided by a Local Aboriginal Land Council
- living in supported, crisis or temporary accommodation
- living in statutory, supported or voluntary out-of-home care.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05723/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05723/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05723/apply
Email: education@homes.nsw.gov.au **Phone:** (02) 8753 8673

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Financial help for victims of crime

Funding Provider
Department of the Attorney-General and Justice (NT)

Location
NT

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19442

Primary Category
Emergency and safety

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$40,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

If you have been a victim of, or affected by, a violent crime in the Northern Territory (NT), you can apply for financial help.

Overview

Financial assistance may be available if you are a:

- victim, known as a primary victim
- injured from witnessing, or becoming aware of a violent act, known as a secondary victim
- family member of a victim who died, known as a family victim.

Counselling is offered to all victims, including anyone who shared a close relationship with a primary victim, this is known as a related victim.

The amount you can get depends on how the violence has affected you. You can only make a single claim related to the same violent act.

Primary victim: see application form here

You are the primary victim of a violent crime if you were:

- injured by violence, including domestic violence
- sexually assaulted
- injured while trying to stop another person from committing violence
- injured trying to help or rescue another person from violence, outside of your job.

You can claim up to $40,000. This includes up to $10,000 for financial loss as part of the total amount.

Secondary victim: see application form here

You could be a secondary victim if you:

- witnessed a violent act and you suffered an injury as a result of witnessing the act
- were a child when a violent crime occurred against your parent, step-parent or guardian
- were a parent, step-parent or guardian when a violent crime occurred against your child.

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You can claim up to $40,000. This includes up to $10,000 for financial loss as part of the total amount.

If there is more than one secondary victim for the same violent act, the money is shared.

Family victim: see application form here

You could be a family victim if you incurred financial loss and were:

- financially dependant on a person who died due to the violence or
- related to the person who died in any of the following ways:
    - spouse or de facto partner
    - parent, step-parent or guardian
    - child, stepchild or under guardianship.

You can claim up to $10,000 for financial loss for out-of-pocket expenses.

If there is more than one family victim for the same violent act, the money is shared.

Interim financial help: see application form here

You can apply for help if you are experiencing financial hardship.

You can claim up to $5,000.

This is for:

- loss of earnings or wages
- loss or damage to clothing and other belongings
- expenses for medical treatment of injuries
- in rare cases, the cost of relocating or securing your home or business
- circumstances where the victim died and you were financially dependent on them.

Funeral expenses: see application form here

You can apply for help if you have incurred, or are going to incur, the costs of a funeral of a primary victim of a violent act.

You can claim up to $15,000.

Limitations

To support your application, you should:

- report the crime to the police within a reasonable time
- cooperate with investigations
- provide enough evidence to support your claim such as:
    - medical reports
    - receipts
    - quotes.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Mail, Email
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19442/info
Contact: Crime Victims Services Unit **Address:** GPO Box 1722 DARWIN 0801 NT
Email: cvsu.doj@nt.gov.au **Phone:** 1800 460 363 or (08) 8924 4080

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Black Spot Program

Funding Provider
Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communications, Sport and the Arts

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G00525

Primary Category
Emergency and safety

Eligible to
- TAFE
- Not-for-Profit
- School
- State Govt
- University
- Individual
- Local Govt
- Business
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
Total Pool: $1100,000,000

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

To reduce crashes on Australian roads and to target those road locations where crashes are occurring.

Overview

The Australian Government is progressively increasing the total commitment to the Black Spot Program to $150 million per year.

Road crashes are a major cost to Australians every year. Black Spot projects target those road locations where crashes are occurring or are at risk of occurring. By funding measures such as traffic signals and roundabouts at dangerous locations, the program reduces the risk of crashes. Programs of this sort are very effective, saving the community many times the cost of the relatively minor road improvements that are implemented.

Nominations for Black Spot locations are invited from state and territory governments, local governments, community groups and associations, road user groups, industry and individuals. On receipt of a completed Black Spot nomination form, the relevant state and territory transport agency will examine the nominated site's eligibility, and may undertake an economic assessment of a treatment proposal.

Nominations are considered annually by Consultative Panels in each state and territory, who recommend projects for approval by the responsible Minister. The Panels are chaired by a Member of Parliament or Senator appointed by the responsible Minister and consist of representatives drawn from community and road user groups, industry, Australian and local government, and state road and transport agencies.

Limitations

Community groups, motorist organisations, industry organisations, councils and individuals are invited to nominate Black Spot sites around Australia to be considered for treatment.

What makes a site eligible for funding?

Funding is mainly available for the treatment of Black Spot sites, or road lengths, with a proven history of crashes. Project proposals should be able to demonstrate a benefit to cost ratio of at least 2 to 1.

For individual sites such as intersections, mid-block or short road sections, there should be a history of at least three casualty crashes over a five-year period. For lengths of road, there should be an average of 0.2 casualty crashes per kilometre per annum over the length in question over five years.

The requirement of a history of crashes ensures that those sites that have a recurrent problem are targeted first for treatment.

The Black Spot Program also recognises that there are road locations that could be considered as 'accidents waiting to happen'. Therefore, some program funds may be used to treat sites where road traffic engineers have completed a Road Safety Audit and found that remedial work is necessary. This allows an opportunity for proactive safety works to be undertaken before casualties occur.

Funds cannot be used for the purchase of road-building plant or equipment, or for operational or maintenance costs.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Mail, Email
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G00525/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G00525/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G00525/apply

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Boating Infrastructure Emergency Repair Pool

Funding Provider
Transport for NSW

Location
NSW

Funding Type
Cash Grant G17098

Primary Category
Emergency and safety

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- State Govt
- Local Govt
- Business

Funding
Amount: $5,000 to $300,000
Total Pool: $2,000,000

Rounds
Closes **30 Jun 2028**

Purpose

The NSW Boating Infrastructure Emergency Repair Pool (BIERP) grants provide funding to local councils and organisations to repair, replace, or improve public boating infrastructure damaged by natural disasters or severe weather events.

Overview

The $2 million Boating Infrastructure Emergency Repair Pool Grants Program (BIERP) seeks to accelerate the replacement or repair of boating facilities which have been impacted by natural disasters and severe weather events and return them to service.

The Program acknowledges that public boating infrastructure not only serves recreational and commercial boaters but also provides access points to NSW waterways, with some assets also providing evacuation points for regional communities.

The types of projects that will be considered for funding under the BIERP are summarised below:

- Repair or replacement: the reinstatement of the infrastructure asset to its working condition prior to the natural disaster or severe weather event.
- Betterment: minor changes to replacement design that improves resilience of the asset against future natural disasters or severe weather events.
- Access for repair and reinstatement: Work to provide access for repair, replacement and betterment can be funded if it is directly related to the above works. For example, the removal of a collapsed tree across a jetty to gain access to repair the pontoon at the end of the jetty

Limitations

Applications are welcomed from local councils, government agencies, community groups and the private sector :

- Councils - Local government authorities responsible for public boating infrastructure.
- Government Agencies - State or federal agencies managing public boating assets.
- Community Groups - Not-for-profit organisations involved in managing or maintaining public boating facilities.
- Private Sector - Private organisations that own, manage, and operate public boating infrastructure.

Applicants can submit separate applications for different asset locations or project sites affected by the same natural disaster or severe weather event.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G17098/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G17098/guidelines

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G17098/apply
Email: MIDO@transport.nsw.gov.au

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Defence Industry Development Grants Program - Security Stream

Funding Provider
Department of Defence

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G14529

Primary Category
Emergency and safety

Eligible to
Business

Funding
Amount: $10,000 to $100,000
Total Pool: $500,000 (approx)

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Security stream helps Australian defence industry improve and maintain security in priority areas as identified by the SDIPs and in line with the Defence Industry Security Program.

Overview

The objective of the program is to build the industrial base Australia needs to achieve Defence outcomes in areas of strategic priority.

The Defence Industry Development Grants Program funds four distinct grant opportunity streams tailored to address the program outcomes:

1. Sovereign Industrial Priorities
2. Skilling
3. Exports
4. **Security.**

Please refer to Funding Centre for information regarding the other streams of funding under the Defence Industry Development Grants Program.

Please note: ***Application detail:***

Limitations

Eligibility

You can apply if you:

- have an Australian business number (ABN)
- are a SME with less than 200 employees or, for Skilling stream only, a Defence Industry Association (DIA)
- are registered for GST
- have an account with an Australian financial institution
- are non-income tax exempt

and are one of the following entities:

- an entity incorporated in Australia
- a company limited by guarantee
- an incorporated trustee on behalf of a trust.

You can't apply if you are:

- an organisation, or your project partner is an organisation, included on the National Redress Scheme's list of Institutions that have not joined or signified their intent to join the Scheme
- an employer of 100 or more employees that has not complied with the Workplace Gender Equality Act (2012)
- an individual
- a partnership
- an overseas organisation
- an unincorporated association
- an organisation not included in section 4.1 of the grant opportunity guidelines
- a trust (however, an incorporated trustee may apply on behalf of a trust)
- a Commonwealth, state, territory or local government body (including government business enterprises).

Partner with other organisations

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You can partner with one or more other organisations that also meet the eligibility criteria. But you must decide who the lead organisation is.

The lead organisation must fill out the application form.

If we give your group the grant, the lead organisation:

- signs the grant agreement
- is responsible for making sure your group follows the rules in the grant agreement.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G14529/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G14529/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G14529/apply
Email: enquiries@industry.gov.au **Phone:** 13 28 46

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Disaster Assistance (Essential Working Capital) Loans for non-profits

Funding Provider
Queensland Rural and Industry Development Authority (QRIDA)

Location
QLD

Funding Type
Low Or No-interest Loan G07523

Primary Category
Emergency and safety

Eligible to
Not-for-Profit

Funding
$100,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The objective of this assistance measure, provided under the Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements, is to support communities to recover after an eligible disaster.

Overview

The Essential Working Capital Loans Scheme provides concessional loans to non-profit organisations who have suffered a significant loss of income as a result of an eligible disaster. Loans are provided for continuing the normal operations of the non-profit organisation.

Available funding

The maximum loan amount is $100,000

What assistance is available?

Concessional loans are provided to assist you with#essential working capital for expenses such as:

- paying salaries or wages
- paying creditors
- paying rent or rates
- buying goods, including for example, fuel essential to carry-on the non-profit activities.

Defined disaster area

The Minister for Fire and Emergency Services has activated disaster assistance for:

Western Queensland Surface Trough and Associated Rainfall and Flooding, commencing 21 March - 19 May 2025

- Barcoo Shire Council
- Boulia Shire Council
- Bulloo Shire Council

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- Diamantina Shire Council
- Longreach Shire Council
- Murweh Shire Council
- Paroo Shire Council
- Quilpie Shire Council
- Winton Shire Council

Interest rate: 2.14%

Applications close 31 December 2026

Tropical Cyclone Alfred and Severe Weather, commencing 1 March 2025

- Brisbane City Council
- Bundaberg Regional Council
- Fraser Coast Regional Council
- Gold Coast City Council
- Gympie Regional Council
- Ipswich City Council
- Lockyer Valley Regional Council
- Logan City Council
- Moreton Bay City Council
- Noosa Shire Council
- Redland City Council
- Scenic Rim Regional Council
- Somerset Regional Council
- Southern Downs Regional Council
- Sunshine Coast Regional Council
- Toowoomba Regional Council

North and Far North Tropical Low, 29 January - 28 February 2025

- Burdekin Shire Council
- Cairns Regional Council
- Cassowary Coast Regional Council
- Charters Towers Regional Council
- Hinchinbrook Shire Council
- Palm Island Aboriginal Shire Council
- Townsville City Council
- Yarrabah Aboriginal Shire Council

Applications close 31 December 2026

Southern Summer Rainfall and Flooding, 9 December 2024 - 14 January 2025

- South Burnett Regional Council

Applications close 31 December 2026

South Queensland Severe Storms and Rainfall, 24 December 2023 - 3 January 2024

- City of Gold Coast Council
- Logan City Council
- Scenic Rim Regional Council

Applications close 31 December 2025.

Tropical Cyclone Jasper, associated rainfall and flooding, 13 - 28 December 2023

- Cairns Regional Council
- Cassowary Coast Regional Council
- Cook Shire Council
- Douglas Shire Council
- Mareeba Shire Council
- Tablelands Regional Council
- Wujal Wujal Aboriginal Shire Council
- Yarrabah Aboriginal Shire Council

Applications close 31 December 2025.

Limitations

Eligibility criteria:

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To be eligible for a loan:

- the applicant must be a non-profit organisation;
- before the eligible disaster, the applicant carried on non-profit activities in the defined disaster area;
- the applicant has suffered a significant loss of income as a result of the eligible disaster.

To be eligible applicants must also:

- provide security satisfactory to QRIDA;
- continue to carry on non-profit activities in the defined disaster area;
- have reasonable prospects for carrying on the non-profit organisation on a viable basis with the assistance given;
- have used all liquid assets and all normal credit sources up to normal credit limits (this will be assessed in relation to the expected cost of recovery and projected cash flow shortfalls);
- have no reasonable prospects of obtaining commercial finance to carry on the non-profit organisation;
- have not received another concessional loan for loss or damage that was related to the eligible disaster;
- have not taken excessive risks in carrying on the non-profit organisation.

Non-profit organisation means a charity or other not-for-profit entity that is –

- incorporated under a law of the Commonwealth or a State; and
- either:
    - registered under the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012 (Cwlth) or the Collections Act 1966; or
    - registered or otherwise authorised to raise funds under a law of another state.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Email
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G07523/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G07523/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G07523/apply
Email: contact_us@qrida.qld.gov.au **Phone:** 1800 623 946

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Disaster Assistance (Essential Working Capital) Loans for primary producers

Funding Provider
Queensland Rural and Industry Development Authority (QRIDA)

Location
QLD

Funding Type
Low Or No-interest Loan U00005

Primary Category
Emergency and safety

Eligible to
- Individual
- Business

Funding
$100,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The objective of this assistance measure, provided under the disaster recovery funding arrangements, is to support communities to recover after an eligible disaster.

Overview

The Essential Working Capital Loans Scheme provides concessional loans to primary producers who have suffered a significant loss of income as a result of an eligible disaster.

Loans are provided for continuing the normal operations of the primary production enterprise.

Available funding:

The maximum loan amount is $100,000; and

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- the amount available is based on an assessment of an applicant's financial position, including any amount recovered under an insurance policy; and
- cannot be more than the amount of essential working capital reasonably required.

Defined disaster areas

The Minister for Fire and Emergency Services has activated disaster assistance for primary producers for the following events:

Western Queensland Surface Trough and Associated Rainfall and Flooding, commencing 21 March - 19 May 2025

- Balonne Shire Council
- Barcaldine Regional Council
- Barcoo Shire Council
- Blackall-Tambo Regional Council
- Boulia Shire Council
- Bulloo Shire Council
- Diamantina Shire Council
- Longreach Shire Council
- Murweh Shire Council
- Paroo Shire Council
- Quilpie Shire Council
- Winton Shire Council

Interest rate: 2.14%

Applications close 31 December 2026.

Tropical Cyclone Alfred and Severe Weather, commencing 1 - 16 March 2025

- Brisbane City Council
- Bundaberg Regional Council
- Fraser Coast Regional Council
- Gold Coast City Council
- Gympie Regional Council
- Ipswich City Council
- Lockyer Valley Regional Council
- Logan City Council
- Moreton Bay City Council
- Noosa Shire Council
- Redland City Council
- Scenic Rim Regional Council
- Somerset Regional Council
- Southern Downs Regional Council
- Sunshine Coast Regional Council
- Toowoomba Regional Council

Applications close 31 December 2026

North and Far North Tropical Low, 29 January - 28 February 2025

- Burdekin Shire Council
- Cairns Regional Council
- Cassowary Coast Regional Council
- Charters Towers Regional Council
- Flinders Shire Council
- Hinchinbrook Shire Council
- Palm Island Aboriginal Shire Council
- Tablelands Regional Council
- Townsville City Council
- Yarrabah Aboriginal Shire Council

Applications close 31 December 2026

Tropical Cyclone Kirrily, associated rainfall and flooding, 25 January – 26 February 2024

- Boulia Shire Council
- Burdekin Shire Council
- Burke Shire Council
- Charters Towers Regional Council
- City of Moreton Bay
- Cloncurry Shire Council

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- Doomadgee Aboriginal Shire Council
- Etheridge Shire Council
- Lockyer Valley Regional Council
- McKinlay Shire Council
- Mount Isa City Council
- Richmond Shire Council
- Townsville City Council
- Western Downs Regional Council
- Winton Shire Council

Applications close 31 December 2025.

South Queensland Severe Storms and Rainfall, 24 December 2023 - 3 January 2024

- City of Gold Coast Council
- Logan City Council
- Scenic Rim Regional Council

Applications close 31 December 2025.

Tropical Cyclone Jasper, associated rainfall and flooding, 13 - 28 December 2023

- Cairns Regional Council
- Cassowary Coast Regional Council
- Cook Shire Council
- Douglas Shire Council
- Hinchinbrook Shire Council
- Hope Vale Aboriginal Shire Council
- Mareeba Shire Council
- Tablelands Regional Council
- Wujal Wujal Aboriginal Shire Council
- Yarrabah Aboriginal Shire Council

Applications close 31 December 2025.

Northern Queensland Bushfires, 18 October - 8 December 2023

- Cook Shire Council
- Flinders Shire Council
- Mareeba Shire Council
- McKinlay Shire Council
- Tablelands Regional Council

Applications close 31 December 2025.

Southern Queensland Fires, 8 September - 7 November 2023

- Bundaberg Regional Council
- Central Highlands Regional Council
- Gladstone Regional Council
- Maranoa Regional Council
- North Burnett Regional Council
- South Burnett Regional Council
- Southern Downs Regional Council
- Toowoomba Regional Council
- Western Downs Regional Council

Applications close 31 December 2025

Limitations

Eligibility criteria:

To be eligible for a loan:

- the applicant must be a primary producer
- before the eligible disaster, the applicant carried on a primary production enterprise in the defined disaster area
- the applicant has suffered a significant loss of income as a result of the eligible disaster

To be eligible applicants must also:

- provide adequate security and loans must be secured by:
    - a mortgage of land and other assets satisfactory to QRIDA; and

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- any other security considered necessary, for example – a Specific Security Agreement over plant and machinery, crops, livestock or a General Securities Agreement.

- continue to carry on the primary production enterprise in the defined disaster area
- have reasonable prospects for carrying on the primary production enterprise on a viable basis with the assistance given
- have used all liquid assets and all normal credit sources up to normal credit limits (this will be assessed in relation to the expected cost of recovery and projected cash flow shortfalls)
- have no reasonable prospects of obtaining commercial finance to carry on the enterprise
- have not received another concessional loan for loss or damage that was related to the eligible disaster
- have not taken excessive risks in carrying on the primary production enterprise.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Mail, Fax, Email
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00005/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00005/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00005/apply
Email: contact_us@qrida.qld.gov.au **Phone:** 1800 623 946

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Disaster Assistance (Essential Working Capital) Loans for small business

Funding Provider
Queensland Rural and Industry Development Authority (QRIDA)

Location
QLD

Funding Type
Low Or No-interest Loan G07522

Primary Category
Emergency and safety

Eligible to
Business

Funding
$100,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The objective of this assistance measure, provided under the disaster recovery funding arrangements, is to support communities to recover after an eligible disaster

Overview

The Essential Working Capital Loans Scheme provides concessional loans to small business owners who have suffered a significant loss of income as a result of an eligible disaster.

Loans are provided for continuing the normal operations of the small business.

Defined disaster areas

The Minister for Fire and Emergency Services has activated disaster assistance for:

Western Queensland Surface Trough and Associated Rainfall and Flooding, commencing 21 March 2025

- Barcoo Shire Council
- Boulia Shire Council
- Bulloo Shire Council
- Diamantina Shire Council
- Longreach Shire Council
- Murweh Shire Council
- Paroo Shire Council
- Quilpie Shire Council
- Winton Shire Council

Interest rate: 2.14%

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Applications close 31 December 2026

Tropical Cyclone Alfred and Severe Weather, commencing 1 March 2025

- Brisbane City Council
- Bundaberg Regional Council
- Fraser Coast Regional Council
- Gold Coast City Council
- Gympie Regional Council
- Ipswich City Council
- Lockyer Valley Regional Council
- Logan City Council
- Moreton Bay City Council
- Noosa Shire Council
- Redland City Council
- Scenic Rim Regional Council
- Somerset Regional Council
- Southern Downs Regional Council
- Sunshine Coast Regional Council
- Toowoomba Regional Council

Applications close 31 December 2026

North and Far North Tropical Low, 29 January - 28 February 2025

- Burdekin Shire Council
- Cairns Regional Council
- Cassowary Coast Regional Council
- Charters Towers Regional Council
- Hinchinbrook Shire Council
- Palm Island Aboriginal Shire Council
- Townsville City Council
- Yarrabah Aboriginal Shire Council

Applications close 31 December 2026

Southern Summer Rainfall and Flooding, 9 December 2024 - 14 January 2025

- South Burnett Regional Council

Applications close 31 December 2026

South Queensland Severe Storms and Rainfall, 24 December 2023 - 3 January 2024

- City of Gold Coast Council
- Logan City Council
- Scenic Rim Regional Council

Applications close 31 December 2025.

Tropical Cyclone Jasper, associated rainfall and flooding, 13 - 28 December 2023

- Cairns Regional Council
- Cassowary Coast Regional Council
- Cook Shire Council
- Douglas Shire Council
- Mareeba Shire Council
- Tablelands Regional Council
- Wujal Wujal Aboriginal Shire Council
- Yarrabah Aboriginal Shire Council

Applications close 31 December 2025.

Southern Queensland Fires, 8 September - 7 November 2023

To be eligible for assistance your property must be located in one of the defined disaster areas:

- Western Downs Regional Council

Applications close 31 December 2025.

Limitations

Eligibility criteria:

To be eligible for a loan:

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- the applicant must be a small business owner
- before the eligible disaster, the applicant carried on a small business in the defined disaster area
- the applicant has suffered a significant loss of income as a result of the eligible disaster

To be eligible applicants must also:

- provide adequate security and loans must be secured by:
    - a mortgage of land and other assets satisfactory to QRIDA; and
    - any other security considered necessary, for example – a Specific Security Agreement over plant and machinery, or a General Securities Agreement.
- continue to carry on the small business in the defined disaster area
- have reasonable prospects for carrying on the small business on a viable basis with the assistance given
- have used all liquid assets and all normal credit sources up to normal credit limits (this will be assessed in relation to the expected cost of recovery and projected cash flow shortfalls)
- have no reasonable prospects of obtaining commercial finance to carry on the business
- have not received another concessional loan for loss or damage that was related to the eligible disaster
- have not taken excessive risks in carrying on the small business.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Mail, Fax, Email
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G07522/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G07522/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G07522/apply
Address: GPO Box 211 Brisbane 4001 QLD
Email: contact_us@qrida.qld.gov.au **Phone:** 1800 623 946

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Disaster Assistance Loans - Not-for-profit organisations

Funding Provider
Queensland Rural and Industry Development Authority (QRIDA)

Location
QLD

Funding Type
Low Or No-interest Loan G05271

Primary Category
Emergency and safety

Eligible to
Not-for-Profit

Funding
$100,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Disaster Assistance Loans are available to assist non-profit organisations with re-establishing normal operations.

Overview

Concessional loans are provided to assist you to re-establish the normal operations of your non-profit organisation by covering costs such as:

- repairing or replacing damaged plant and equipment
- repairing or replacing essential premises including grounds, amenities and infrastructure
- supplying stock for up to one month to replace lost stock and maintain liquidity of the organisation.

Defined disaster areas

The Minister for Fire and Emergency Services has activated disaster assistance for:

Western Queensland Surface Trough and Associated Rainfall and Flooding, commencing 21 March - 19 May 2025

- Barcoo Shire Council
- Boulia Shire Council
- Bulloo Shire Council
- Diamantina Shire Council

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- Longreach Shire Council
- Murweh Shire Council
- Paroo Shire Council
- Quilpie Shire Council
- Winton Shire Council

Applications close 31 December 2026

Tropical Cyclone Alfred and Severe Weather, commencing 1 March 2025

- Brisbane City Council
- Bundaberg Regional Council
- Fraser Coast Regional Council
- Gold Coast City Council
- Gympie Regional Council
- Ipswich City Council
- Lockyer Valley Regional Council
- Logan City Council
- Moreton Bay City Council
- Noosa Shire Council
- Redland City Council
- Scenic Rim Regional Council
- Somerset Regional Council
- Southern Downs Regional Council
- Sunshine Coast Regional Council
- Toowoomba Regional Council

Applications close 31 December 2026

North and Far North Tropical Low, 29 January - 28 February 2025

- Burdekin Shire Council
- Cairns Regional Council
- Cassowary Coast Regional Council
- Charters Towers Regional Council
- Hinchinbrook Shire Council
- Palm Island Aboriginal Shire Council
- Townsville City Council
- Yarrabah Aboriginal Shire Council

Applications close 31 December 2026

Southern Summer Rainfall and Flooding, 9 December 2024 - 14 January 2025

- South Burnett Regional Council

Applications close 31 December 2026

South Queensland Severe Storms and Rainfall, 24 December 2023 - 3 January 2024

- City of Gold Coast Council
- Logan City Council
- Scenic Rim Regional Council

Applications close 31 December 2025.

Tropical Cyclone Jasper, associated rainfall and flooding, 13 - 28 December 2023

- Cairns Regional Council
- Cassowary Coast Regional Council
- Cook Shire Council
- Douglas Shire Council
- Mareeba Shire Council
- Tablelands Regional Council
- Wujal Wujal Aboriginal Shire Council
- Yarrabah Aboriginal Shire Council

Applications close 31 December 2025.

Limitations

Eligibility criteria:

To be eligible for a loan:

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- the applicant must be a non-profit organisation
- the applicant has suffered direct damage essential premises, plant, equipment or stock as a result of an eligible disaster
- the non-profit organisation was carried on in the defined disaster area immediately before the eligible disaster.

To be eligible applicants must also:

- provide security satisfactory to QRIDA
- demonstrate an ability to repay the loan
- have taken reasonable precautions to avoid or minimise loss or damage from the disaster, for example - adequate insurance
- be responsible for the cost of repairing or replacing the damaged assets
- be unable to repair or replace the damaged assets or return to operations from their own resources or without assistance under the scheme
- have used all liquid assets and all normal credit sources up to normal credit limits (this will be assessed in relation to the expected cost of recovery and projected cash flow shortfalls)
- have not taken excessive risks in carrying on the non-profit organisation.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Mail, Email
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G05271/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G05271/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G05271/apply
Email: contact_us@qrida.qld.gov.au **Phone:** 1800 623 946

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Disaster Assistance Loans for primary producers

Funding Provider
Queensland Rural and Industry Development Authority (QRIDA)

Location
QLD

Funding Type
Low Or No-interest Loan G06913

Primary Category
Emergency and safety

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Business

Funding
$250,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Disaster Assistance Loans are available to assist primary producers with re-establishing normal operations.

Overview

Concessional loans are provided to assist you to re-establish the normal operations of your primary production enterprise by covering costs such as:

- repairing or replacing damaged plant and equipment
- repairing or replacing farm buildings
- purchasing livestock to replace those lost in the disaster event
- meeting carry-on requirements including:
    - re-planting, restoring or re-establishing areas affected by the disaster event
    - sustenance
    - essential property operations
    - paying rent and rates

Available funding:

The maximum loan amount is $250,000; and

- the amount available is based on an assessment of an applicant's financial position, including any amount recovered under an insurance policy; and

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- cannot be more than the amount of the net loss caused by an eligible disaster.

Defined disaster areas

The Minister for Fire and Emergency Services has activated disaster assistance for:

Western Queensland Surface Trough and Associated Rainfall and Flooding, commencing 21 March - 19 June 2025

- Balonne Shire Council
- Barcaldine Regional Council
- Barcoo Shire Council
- Blackall-Tambo Regional Council
- Boulia Shire Council
- Bulloo Shire Council
- Diamantina Shire Council
- Longreach Shire Council
- Murweh Shire Council
- Paroo Shire Council
- Quilpie Shire Council
- Winton Shire Council

Interest rate: 2.14%

Applications close 31 December 2026

Tropical Cyclone Alfred and Severe Weather, commencing 1 March 2025

- Brisbane City Council
- Bundaberg Regional Council
- Fraser Coast Regional Council
- Gold Coast City Council
- Gympie Regional Council
- Ipswich City Council
- Lockyer Valley Regional Council
- Logan City Council
- Moreton Bay City Council
- Noosa Shire Council
- Redland City Council
- Scenic Rim Regional Council
- Somerset Regional Council
- Southern Downs Regional Council
- Sunshine Coast Regional Council
- Toowoomba Regional Council

North and Far North Tropical Low, 29 January - 28 February 2025

- Burdekin Shire Council
- Cairns Regional Council
- Cassowary Coast Regional Council
- Charters Towers Regional Council
- Hinchinbrook Shire Council
- Palm Island Aboriginal Shire Council
- Townsville City Council
- Yarrabah Aboriginal Shire Council

Applications close 31 December 2026

Tropical Cyclone Kirrily, associated rainfall and flooding 25 January – 26 February 2024

- Boulia Shire Council
- Burdekin Shire Council
- Burke Shire Council
- Charters Towers Regional Council
- City of Moreton Bay
- Cloncurry Shire Council
- Doomadgee Aboriginal Shire Council
- Etheridge Shire Council
- Lockyer Valley Regional Council
- McKinlay Shire Council
- Mount Isa City Council

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- Richmond Shire Council
- Townsville City Council
- Western Downs Regional Council
- Winton Shire Council

Applications close 31 December 2025.

South East Queensland Severe Storms and Rainfall, 24 December 2023 - 3 January 2024

- City of Gold Coast Council
- Logan City Council
- Scenic Rim Regional Council

Applications close 31 December 2025.

Tropical Cyclone Jasper, associated rainfall and flooding, 13 - 28 December 2023

- Cairns Regional Council
- Cassowary Coast Regional Council
- Cook Shire Council
- Douglas Shire Council
- Hinchinbrook Shire Council
- Hope Vale Aboriginal Shire Council
- Mareeba Shire Council
- Tablelands Regional Council
- Wujal Wujal Aboriginal Shire Council
- Yarrabah Aboriginal Shire Council

Applications close 31 December 2025.

Northern Queensland Bushfires, 18 October - 8 December 2023

- Cook Shire Council
- Flinders Shire Council
- Mareeba Shire Council
- McKinlay Shire Council
- Tablelands Regional Council

Applications close 31 December 2025.

Southern Queensland Fires, 8 September - 7 November 2023

To be eligible for assistance your property must be located in one of the defined disaster areas:

- Bundaberg Regional Council
- Central Highlands Regional Council
- Gladstone Regional Council
- Maranoa Regional Council
- North Burnett Regional Council
- South Burnett Regional Council
- Southern Downs Regional Council
- Toowoomba Regional Council
- Western Downs Regional Council

Applications close 31 December 2025.

Limitations

Eligibility criteria:

To be eligible for a loan:

- the applicant must be a primary producer
- the property where the enterprise is carried on has been significantly damaged as direct result of an eligible disaster
- the property is either:
    - in the defined disaster area for the disaster; or
    - the enterprise is an individual disaster-stricken enterprise as a result of the disaster; and
- if the primary production enterprise involves wild-catch fishing:
    - a boat or equipment used in carrying on the enterprise has been lost or significantly damaged as a direct result of the disaster; and
    - either:
        - the boat or equipment was in the defined disaster area for disaster; or
        - the enterprise is an individual disaster-stricken enterprise as a result of the disaster.

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To be eligible applicants must also:

- provide adequate security and loans must be secured by:
    - a mortgage of land and other assets satisfactory to QRIDA; and
    - any other security considered necessary, for example – a Specific Security Agreement over plant and machinery, crops, livestock or a General Securities Agreement.
- demonstrate the primary production enterprise will be viable with the assistance given
- have taken reasonable precautions to avoid or minimise loss or damage from the disaster, for example – adequate insurance
- have used all liquid assets and all normal credit sources up to normal credit limits (this will be assessed in relation to the expected cost of recovery and projected cash flow shortfalls)
- have not taken excessive risks in carrying on the enterprise.

Please see defined disaster areas above for eligible locations.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Mail, Email
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G06913/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G06913/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G06913/apply
Email: contact_us@qrida.qld.gov.au **Phone:** 1800 623 946

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Disaster Assistance Loans for small businesses

Funding Provider
Queensland Rural and Industry Development Authority (QRIDA)

Location
QLD

Funding Type
Low Or No-interest Loan G08486

Primary Category
Emergency and safety

Eligible to
Business

Funding
$250,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Disaster Assistance Loans are available to assist small businesses with re-establishing normal operations.

Overview

Concessional loans are provided to assist you to re-establish the normal operations of your small business by covering costs such as:

- repairing or replacing damaged plant and equipment
- repairing or replacing buildings
- supplying stock for up to one month to replace lost stock and maintain liquidity of the business
- meeting carry-on requirements including:
    - sustenance
    - paying rent and rates.

Defined Disaster Areas

The Minister for Fire and Emergency Services has activated disaster assistance for:

Western Queensland Surface Trough and Associated Rainfall and Flooding, commencing 21 March - 19 May 2025

- Barcoo Shire Council
- Boulia Shire Council
- Bulloo Shire Council
- Diamantina Shire Council
- Longreach Shire Council

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- Murweh Shire Council
- Paroo Shire Council
- Quilpie Shire Council
- Winton Shire Council

Interest rate: 2.14%

Applications close 31 December 2026

Tropical Cyclone Alfred and Severe Weather, commencing 1 March 2025

- Brisbane City Council
- Bundaberg Regional Council
- Fraser Coast Regional Council
- Gold Coast City Council
- Gympie Regional Council
- Ipswich City Council
- Lockyer Valley Regional Council
- Logan City Council
- Moreton Bay City Council
- Noosa Shire Council
- Redland City Council
- Scenic Rim Regional Council
- Somerset Regional Council
- Southern Downs Regional Council
- Sunshine Coast Regional Council
- Toowoomba Regional Council

North and Far North Tropical Low, 29 January - 28 February 2025

- Burdekin Shire Council
- Cairns Regional Council
- Cassowary Coast Regional Council
- Charters Towers Regional Council
- Hinchinbrook Shire Council
- Palm Island Aboriginal Shire Council
- Townsville City Council
- Yarrabah Aboriginal Shire Council

Applications close 31 December 2026

Southern Summer Rainfall and Flooding, 9 December 2024 - 14 January 2025

- South Burnett Regional Council

Applications close 31 December 2026

South Queensland Severe Storms and Rainfall, 24 December 2023 - 3 January 2024

- City of Gold Coast Council
- Logan City Council
- Scenic Rim Regional Council

Applications close 31 December 2025.

Tropical Cyclone Jasper, associated rainfall and flooding, 13 - 28 December 2023

- Cairns Regional Council
- Cassowary Coast Regional Council
- Cook Shire Council
- Douglas Shire Council
- Hope Vale Aboriginal Shire Council
- Mareeba Shire Council
- Tablelands Regional Council
- Wujal Wujal Aboriginal Shire Council
- Yarrabah Aboriginal Shire Council

Applications close 31 December 2025.

Southern Queensland Fires, 8 September - 7 November 2023

To be eligible for assistance your property must be located in one of the defined disaster areas:

- Western Downs Regional Council

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Applications close 31 December 2025.

Limitations

Eligibility criteria:

To be eligible for a loan:

- the applicant must be a small business owner
- the applicant has sustained substantial damage to buildings, plant, equipment or stock as a result of an eligible disaster
- the applicant's small business was carried on in the defined disaster area immediately before the eligible disaster:

To be eligible applicants must also:

- provide adequate security and loans must be secured by:
    - a mortgage of land and other assets satisfactory to QRIDA; and
    - any other security considered necessary, for example – a Specific Security Agreement over plant and machinery, or a General Securities Agreement.
- continue to carry on at the same location or elsewhere in the local government area where the small business was carried on prior to the eligible disaster
- have reasonable prospects of carrying on the small business on a viable basis with the assistance given
- have taken reasonable precautions to avoid or minimise loss or damage from the disaster, for example - adequate insurance
- be responsible for the cost of essential repairs or replacement of the damaged assets (resulting in liquidity being severely affected)
- be unable to repair or replace the damage assets or return to viable operations from their own resources
- have used all liquid assets and all normal credit sources up to normal credit limits (this will be assessed in relation to the expected cost of recovery and projected cash flow shortfalls)
- have not taken excessive risks in carrying on the small business.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Mail, Email
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G08486/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G08486/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G08486/apply
Email: contact_us@qrida.qld.gov.au **Phone:** 1800 623 946

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Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements

Funding Provider
Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development (WA)

Location
WA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G07169

Primary Category
Emergency and safety

Eligible to
Business

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Relief measures are available to assist in meeting the needs of primary producers whose assets or primary production business has/have been affected by a disaster for which the DRFA have been invoked.

Overview

As part of DRFAWA, relief measures are available to assist in meeting the needs of primary producers whose assets or primary production business has/have been affected by a disaster for which the DRFA have been invoked. Assistance is not provided as compensation for damage/losses sustained, or as a disincentive to self help by way of commercial

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insurance and/or other appropriate strategies of disaster mitigation. Support is offered on an as needs basis. For most disaster events, assistance measures include reimbursement grants for:

- Professional advice
- Freight subsidy
- Fencing (for livestock producers only)
- Expression of Interest for interest subsidy on a new loan to recover.

In some instances the disaster event may be deemed exceptional and special measures for recovery and clean-up may be invoked.

Please refer to the website for assistance currently activated.

Limitations

Eligibility criteria:

An applicant is the business entity: represented by the partners, directors, shareholders etc. who are the primary producers and would all need to meet the eligibility criteria as detailed below.

Applicants must:

- operate a commercial scale farming, pastoral, horticultural or fishing business and be affected by the declared natural disaster;
- be registered with the Australian Taxation Office as a Primary Producer, hold an Australian Business Number, been operational for at least one year and have been in existence in the specified area prior to and including the date of the event;
- either own the farm land or hold a current minimum five (5) year written agreement to sharefarm or lease the property for the purpose of primary production. The applicant must provide a copy of the lease/sharefarming agreement with their application; OR
- own and operate under a fishing licence or have a three (3) year lease of a fishing licence;
- one of the applicants must devote a minimum of 75% of their labour to the affected primary production enterprise;
- confirm that the applicant's business usually generates at least 50% of its total income from the affected enterprise;
- lodge their claim on line (ie application form, suppliers' invoices, evidence of payment) within six (6) months of the declaration date of the disaster (any variance in the lodgement period will be advertised on the DFES and DPIRD websites);
- demonstrate that own resources are not available to the business to recover from the disaster;
- confirm that the primary production business was severely affected by the declared natural disaster.
- Category C applications have an additional requirement to declare that they intend to re-establish the affected business.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G07169/info
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G07169/apply
Email: RuralBusiness.DevelopmentUnit@dpird.wa.gov.au

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Disaster Relief Grant for individuals

Funding Providers
Resilience NSW
Service NSW

Location
NSW

Funding Type
Cash Grant G12014

Primary Category
Emergency and safety

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

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Purpose

Financial assistance to eligible individuals and families whose homes have been damaged by a natural disaster.

Overview

If your home or essential household contents were damaged or destroyed by a natural disaster, you may be eligible for the Disaster Relief Grant for individuals.

The financial assistance is provided to help people to recover from the effects of a disaster and re-establish a basic standard of living. It is not provided to replace insurance or compensate for losses.

The grants assist low-income residents who have no other means of restoring their homes to a safe and habitable condition following a disaster event.

Assistance falls into two categories:

1. **Essential Household Contents** assists low-income residents who have no other means of purchasing or repairing these essential household items and are not covered by insurance. Rough sleepers can apply for a small grant that is contribution to replacing essential items, such as a tent and sleeping bag.
2. **Structural Grants** provide a contribution toward essential structural works for households unable to meet the cost of repairs and may also assist in relocation-related costs. These grants assist low-income homeowners who have no other means of restoring their homes to a safe and habitable condition.

If the natural disaster event has caused damage to a temporary dwelling, assistance provided will depend on the type of temporary dwelling. There are several types of temporary dwelling support available, including support for people living in caravans, houseboats and relocatable homes and rough sleepers.

To apply

To see if you are eligible call Service NSW on 13 77 88. Service NSW will transfer you to Revenue NSW who will discuss with you what is required and determine if you may be eligible to receive an application form.

Limitations

You may be eligible for financial support if the following apply:

- your primary place of residence was damaged by a natural disaster
- you do not have insurance for the damage or your insurance doesn't cover the damage caused during this natural disaster
- you are a low-income earner after tax and mortgage, or rent have been deducted with limited financial resources
- it has been less than four months since the disaster.

If there are multiple individuals with differentially owned assets living within the one address, for example, in a share-house arrangement, each individual must make their own application, covering only those items which belong to them, and which are in scope.

You may not be eligible if any of the following apply:

- lack of maintenance has caused or impacted the damage, such as poor roof maintenance
- the damage is cosmetic and not essential to living in a safe and habitable home.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online, Phone
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G12014/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G12014/guidelines
Phone: 1300 069 550

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Disaster Relief Grants

Funding Provider
NAB Foundation

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G09450

Primary Category
Emergency and safety

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Business
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
$1,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

NAB provides support for customers and communities impacted by natural disasters and crises, to help them get back on their feet.

Overview

The program supports NAB customers with grants of $1000 to customers severely impacted by disaster. See the Funder's website for list of recent Disaster areas and application closing dates.

In addition to this, you can call nab to discuss a range of financial relief measures, including:

- Loan deferral or reduced repayment arrangements for home, personal and some business loans.
- Deferring upcoming credit card and business credit card payments.
- Waiving or refunding fees and charges, including but not limited to merchant terminal fees and early access fees for term deposits.

NAB has opened applications for $1000 Disaster Relief Grants to customers severely impacted by the below disaster(s):

- Tasmania Bushfires, closing January 5, 2026
- NSW Bushfires, closing January 5, 2026
- Queensland Southern Coast Severe storms, closing December 26, 2025
- Cyclone Fina, closing December 24, 2025

Limitations

You're eligible to apply for the Disaster Relief Grant if:

- your primary place of residence or business is in a disaster-impacted area declared by the Australian Government
- your primary place of residence or business has experienced major structural damage or severe internal damage, and you may be unable to safely live in the home or operate the business without significant repair
- you're a business or agriculture customer who has suffered severe damage to property, equipment, fencing or loss of stock and livestock
- you were a NAB customer at the time specified
- you're applying within the grant eligibility period

You aren't eligible to apply for the Disaster Relief Grant if:

- you've experienced minor damage only to home or personal items and appliances, sheds, garages or gardens
- you've experienced loss or damage to a non-primary residence such as an investment property or holiday home
- one or more residents at this property or business have applied for this grant already (only one grant per residence or business can be requested).

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G09450/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G09450/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G09450/apply
Phone: 1300 683 106

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Disaster Relief Package

Funding Provider
The Westpac Group

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G12005

Primary Category
Emergency and safety

Eligible to
- Individual
- Business

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Westpac's Disaster Relief Package is available for customers who are suffering hardship as a result of natural disasters such as bushfires and flood.

Overview

Disaster Relief Packages aim to offer immediate practical help to assist customers to manage the impact of natural disasters on their finances.

A Disaster Relief Package is an agreement between you and your lender to adjust or defer your loan repayment obligations because something has happened which has impacted your ability to repay. Under credit reporting, this is supplied as a financial hardship arrangement and it may help improve your repayment information on your credit report if you meet your revised repayments.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G12005/info
Email: westpacfoundation@westpac.com.au **Phone:** 1800 067 497

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Disaster relief loans - Primary producers

Funding Provider
Rural Assistance Authority (NSW)

Location
NSW

Funding Type
Low Or No-interest Loan U00225

Primary Category
Emergency and safety

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Business

Funding
$130,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Primary producers directly affected by a declared natural disaster who are in urgent and genuine need of assistance, may be eligible for low interest loans of up to $130,000.

Overview

Loans at a concessional rate with a two year interest and repayment free period may be provided to primary producers for:

- essential working capital for up to 12 months from the date of the disaster, to continue farming operations until normal income resumes or until the next major income is received and/or

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- replacement and/or repair of property damaged as a result of a disaster and associated improvements not covered by insurance.

Loan overview

Details	Conditions
Loan amount	$130,000 maximum
Loan term	• Up to 12 years • First two years are interest and repayment free
Interest rate	3.14%
Fees & Charges	• Security searches and registration • No ongoing fees or charges
Security	• Registered Mortgage over the land • Other security, including a mortgage from another person may be considered

Applications must be lodged within six months of the declaration of the natural disaster. Please see link for declared natural disaster listing. see here

Limitations

Who is eligible

This assistance measure may be provided to primary producers defined as an individual, partnership, trust or company which:

- has a right or interest in a farm enterprise (including lessees)
- contributes a part of their labour and capital to the enterprise
- derives at least 50 per cent of their gross income from the enterprise.
- In circumstances such as drought, the gross income of some primary producers may not meet the 50 per cent requirement. The RAA can review income from a year earlier than the preceding financial year, on a case by case basis.
- is identified by the Australian Taxation Office (ATO) as a primary producer, with an Australian Business Number (ABN) and
- has their primary production enterprise located within a declared local government area.

Primary producers are defined as those that are listed under the Australian New Zealand Standard Industrial Classification 2006 (ANZSIC) 1292.0 (Revision 2.0) Codes 01 (Agriculture), 02 (Aquaculture), 03 (Forestry and Logging), 04 (Fishing, Hunting and Trapping) and 05 (Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing Support Services).

Eligibility Criteria

To be eligible, primary producers must:

- Have assets (including fodder) which have been significantly damaged as a direct result of the declared disaster
- Have a primary production operation which was viable prior to the declared event
- demonstrate that the assistance will ensure the farming enterprise continues to be viable
- demonstrate that they are continuing or will reestablish the farming enterprise within the same location, or within the same local government area and
- demonstrate that the farming enterprise has the capacity to repay the loan
- Provide security, acceptable to the NSW Rural Assistance Authority.

Exclusions

Assistance does not provide for costs unrelated to the farming enterprise or commitments overdue at the time of the disaster, such as trading accounts, lease or hire purchase instalments, interest on borrowings or loan repayments.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online, Email
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00225/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00225/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00225/apply
Email: rural.assist@raa.nsw.gov.au **Phone:** 1800 678 593

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Disaster relief loans - Small business

Funding Provider
Rural Assistance Authority (NSW)

Location
NSW

Funding Type
Low Or No-interest Loan U00037

Primary Category
Emergency and safety

Eligible to
Business

Funding
$130,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Small businesses who have been directly affected by a declared natural disaster including floods, fires or storm damage, may be eligible for low interest loans of up to $130,000.

Overview

Maximum amount:

Natural Disaster Relief Loans for small businesses are up to a maximum of $130,000

Loan term:

Up to 12 years (first two years are interest and repayment free)

Interest rate:

3.14% per annum

Fees and charges:

Security searches and registration fees will be applied. There are no ongoing fees or charges.

Security: Registered mortgage over the land. Other security, including a mortgage from another person may be considered.

Repayments:

Loans can be repaid monthly, quarterly, biannually or annually over the life of the loan.

Please refer to the program guidelines for further details.

Limitations

Who is eligible?

When activated, loans are available to small businesses that meet the following criteria:

- Have fewer than 20 full time (or equivalent) employees;
- Are a registered business, partnership or sole trader
- Have an Australian Business Number (ABN) and
- provide the owner with their primary source of gross income (more than 50%)

Eligibility criteria

To be eligible small business operators must:

- have assets which have been significantly damaged as a direct result of the declared disaster event
- have been viable prior to the declared event
- demonstrate that the assistance will ensure the business continues to be viable
- demonstrate that they are continuing or will reestablish the business enterprise within the same location, or within the same local government area
- earn the majority of their gross income from the business enterprise and
- demonstrate that the business enterprise has the capacity to repay the loan sought.
- Have been in working occupation of your business at the time of the natural disaster.
- Demonstrate that your business has long-term viability.
- Demonstrate that your business has the capacity to repay the loan sought.
- Provide security, acceptable to the NSW Rural Assistance Authority

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Exclusions

Assistance does not provide for costs unrelated to the business enterprise or commitments overdue at the time of the disaster, such as trading accounts, lease or hire purchase instalments, interest on borrowings or loan repayments.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online, Email
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00037/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00037/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00037/apply
Email: rural.assist@raa.nsw.gov.au **Phone:** 1800 678 593

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Disaster relief loans - Sporting and recreation clubs

Funding Provider
Rural Assistance Authority (NSW)

Location
NSW

Funding Type
Low Or No-interest Loan U00503

Primary Category
Emergency and safety

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
$10,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Sporting and recreation clubs and associations directly affected by a declared natural disaster may be eligible for a low interest loan of up to $10,000 to support recovery.

Overview

The concessional loans can assist with costs associated with clean up, removal of debris and/or the restoration of essential facilities, equipment or other assets that have been damaged or destroyed by a natural disaster.

Visit the Declarations page to check that your Local Government Area (LGA) has been declared for a natural disaster event.

Applications must be lodged by the relevant close date listed for the disaster event and your LGA on the Declarations page.

Loan Term: Up to 5 years (depending on the amount borrowed and repayment capacity)

Loan Amount: $10,000 maximum

Interest Rate: 3.14%

Limitations

To be eligible for the loan, the sporting and recreation club or association must:

- not operate for the profit or gain of its individual members, and any profit made by the organisation must go back into the operation of the organisation to carry out its purpose and not be distributed to any of its members
- have evidence of registration or incorporation as a sporting and recreation club or association
- have assets and/or facilities that have been located in the defned disaster area of the declared natural disaster that have suffered direct damage as a result
- have been engaged in carrying on the sporting and recreation club or association at the time of the declared natural disaster
- demonstrate that the assistance will ensure the sporting and recreation club or association continues to be viable
- intend to re-establish or continue the sporting and recreation club or association within the same location or the same local government area (LGA)
- demonstrate that the sporting and recreation club or association has the capacity to repay the loan

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- not be able to recover the costs associated with clean up, removal of debris and/or the restoration of essential facilities, equipment or other assets that have been damaged or destroyed as a result of the declared natural disaster through insurance
- not have the financial capacity to pay the costs from its own funds or reserves.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00503/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00503/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00503/apply
Email: rural.assist@raa.nsw.gov.au **Phone:** 1800 678 593

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Disaster relief loans for Non-profit organisations

Funding Provider
Rural Assistance Authority (NSW)

Location
NSW

Funding Type
Low Or No-interest Loan U00226

Primary Category
Emergency and safety

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
$25,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The purpose of the Natural Disaster Relief Loan for Non-Profit Organisations is to provide a concessional interest rate loan to eligible non-profit organisations to assist with recovery from a declared natural disaster.

Overview

The objective of the Program is to provide a concessional interest rate loan to eligible non-profit organisations to assist with the costs associated with restoring essential facilities, equipment or other assets damaged or destroyed and/or temporary storage or leasing of alternate premises required as a result of the declared natural disaster.

The required outcome of the Program is that eligible non-profit organisations have restored essential facilities, equipment or other assets damaged or destroyed as a result of a declared natural disaster and/or have been able to source temporary storage or have leased alternate premises if required.

Eligible non-profit organisations impacted by the declared natural disaster can apply to borrow a maximum amount of $25,000. All loans have a term of up to 5 years, depending on the amount borrowed and your repayment capacity.

Limitations

To be eligible for the loan, the non-profit organisation must:

- be a voluntary, community-supported organisation delivered at the local level
- not operate for the profit or gain of its individual members, and any profit made by the organisation must go back into the operation of the organisation to carry out its purpose and not be distributed to any of its members
- have evidence of registration or incorporation as a non-profit organisation
- have assets and/or facilities that have been located in the defined disaster area of the declared natural disaster that have suffered direct damage as a result
- have been engaged in carrying on the non-profit organisation at the time of the declared natural disaster
- demonstrate that the assistance will ensure the non-profit organisation continues to be viable
- intend to re-establish or continue the non-profit organisation within the same location or the same local government area (LGA)
- demonstrate that the non-profit organisation has the capacity to repay the loan
- not have the financial capacity to pay the costs from its own funds or reserves and
- apply for the loan by the closing date shown on the Authority's website.

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The types of non-profit organisations considered under this loan program are broad-ranging and will be considered on a case-by-case basis. Eligible organisations will usually perform a service for the local community or environment and are predominantly funded by grants or donations. Examples of eligible non-profit organisations include:

- social welfare and family support organisations
- art and cultural societies
- religious and educational organisations
- charitable groups
- environmental protection societies and
- animal protection societies.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online, Email
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00226/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00226/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00226/apply
Email: rural.assist@raa.nsw.gov.au **Phone:** 1800 678 593

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Emergency grants

Funding Provider
City of Whittlesea

Location
Whittlesea

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19012

Primary Category
Emergency and safety

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Business

Funding
$1,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **30 Apr 2026**

Purpose

This grant is designed to assist your organisation or group to continue delivering an event or continue operational needs that may have no other option other than cancellation due to unforeseen circumstances.

Overview

For example, if your equipment shed is broken into and there is a tournament on, this grant is designed to support your group to still participate. If your organisation is flooded due to excess rain and you require equipment to dry out flooring in order to continue operations the next day, this grant might help your organisation through purchase of equipment and materials to address the issues and allowing ongoing operation.

Eligible items:

- Reduce financial impact of emergency and unforeseen events
- Enable eligible applicants to continue to operate or quickly return to normal operations.

Limitations

Eligible applicants:

- Not-for-profit community groups,
- incorporated organisations,
- social enterprises and
- businesses

What won't be funded:

- Emergency initiatives already delivered in community by other key community organisations or the State
- Insurance excess for covered event.

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Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19012/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19012/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19012/apply
Email: community.grants@whittlesea.vic.gov.au **Phone:** (03) 9217 2170

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Emergency relief support for people on temporary visas - AUS

Funding Provider
Australian Red Cross

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G10182

Primary Category
Emergency and safety

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Support for temporary visa holders, people seeking asylum and people with an uncertain visa status to help meet their basic needs.

Overview

Emergency relief is to help people meet their basic needs, like food, medicine or shelter.

This support is for people who do not have access to Commonwealth income support (including SRSS, Special Benefits and Job Seeker).

Your application will be assessed for all available emergency relief available in your state or territory at that time.

If eligible, payment amounts will vary according to your situation and family size.

We know you may be in a difficult situation, however this is **not income support** and we know the payment may not meet all your needs.

Limitations

Who is this service for?

Applicants must meet all of the following:

- Live in Australia
- Be unable to access Commonwealth Government Income Support
- Be seeking asylum, hold a temporary visa or have an uncertain visa status
- Have no or very limited income, savings or community support

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G10182/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G10182/apply
Email: grantsupport@redcross.org.au

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Essential services hardship assistance grant

Funding Provider
Department of Housing and Public Works (QLD)

Location
QLD

Funding Type
Cash Grant G07527

Primary Category
Emergency and safety

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$750
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

This grant helps people who have lost one or more essential services for more than 5 days due to a disaster event.

Overview

You can apply for $150 per person, up to $750 for a family of 5 or more, to assist with your immediate essential needs following loss of essential service/s at your home for more than 5 consecutive days.

This grant is not income or asset tested.

How it's paid

If approved, you will receive payment by electronic funds transfer (EFT) to the bank account you listed in your application. The timing depends on when your bank processes the payment

Before starting your online application, check:

- your area has been activated, and the grants available in your area.

Limitations

Who can apply?

You must meet all these requirements:

- your principal place of residence (main home) must be in the eligible disaster area
- you were living in your principal place of residence (which includes a caravan or boat) when the disaster happened
- your home lost one or more essential services* for more than 5 consecutive days as a result of the disaster
- the utility service provider/s confirmed that you lost these essential services
- you are suffering personal hardship because you lost essential services.

People who aren't Australian citizens can also apply for this grant.

*Essential services include:

- electricity (or other power sources like solar, wind turbine generators), that are the only source of power to your home
- gas, including bottled gas, if your home only uses gas (if you also have electricity connected, then gas alone does not qualify for assistance)
- water, including water tanks if your home only uses tank water and doesn't have another water source
- sewerage, including septic tanks, and you can't stay in the home because of health and safety issues.

What isn't covered:

You can't apply:

- for loss of power or essential services to your home for 5 consecutive days or less
- if you were isolated within your property (unless you are experiencing hardship as a direct result of the event)
- for business loss or damage including compensation for loss of income
- for farm or property damage (excluding principal place of residence)
- to replace loss of tools of trade.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online, Phone
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G07527/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G07527/apply

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Farm Angels Assistance

Funding Provider
Farm Angels

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G16730

Primary Category
Emergency and safety

Eligible to
- Individual
- Business

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Farm Angels provide financial assistance, food hampers, care packs, and mental wellbeing support to primary producers.

Overview

Farm Angels was established as Drought Angels in 2014 to respond to the needs of primary producers impacted by prolonged drought, initially in Queensland. Since then, the organisation has expanded to provide financial assistance, food hampers, care packs, and mental wellbeing support to over 4,700 primary producers affected by all natural disasters (drought, flood, fire, and plagues) in over 1,300 communities across Australia.

The benefits of the personalized direct financial support are:

- Immediate access to funds
- Delivered through the reliable Mastercard platform
- Efficient delivery of funds
- The money circulates around town, supporting the entire community
- Every dollar spent in a rural community goes around approximately 6-7 times
- Discreet - our cards look like an everyday key card for privacy

Limitations

Applicants must be registered Primary Producers to qualify for assistance.

The following is a non-exhaustive list of activities that are generally not considered to be ‘primary production’ activities:

- Agistment (where land is used solely for agistment)
- Beach worming (as worms are not considered to be ‘animals’ for primary production purposes.
- Horse racing as a stand-alone activity
- Lease of land, plant or machinery to an entity operating a primary production business.
- Live sheep exporting (as distinct from traditional farming operations)
- Kelp harvesting (if operations are limited to gathering storm cast kelp)
- Selling standing timber (without tending or felling the trees)
- Wind farming

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G16730/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G16730/apply
Address: Drought Angels PO Box 451 Chinchilla 4413 QLD
Email: admin@farmangels.org.au **Phone:** 07 4662 7371

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Flood recovery Property Assessment and Demolition (PAD) program

Funding Provider
Service NSW

Location
NSW

Funding Type
Pro Bono Services U00238

Primary Category
Emergency and safety

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- University
- Individual
- Business
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

A new program will be available to insured and uninsured owners of property to get free structural assessments, demolition and waste removal.

Overview

If your residential or commercial building was impacted by the February and March 2022 and/or June and July 2022 floods, you can register to have a building assessment carried out by certified inspectors.

This opt-in program can provide you with a free, detailed assessment report, including a comprehensive scope of repair works and an estimate of repair costs.

After receiving your report, you are in control of what happens next.

The assessment report is only provided to you and is not available to council, insurers or the general public. However, you can provide the report to your insurer or builder to assist with planning repairs or rebuilding.

If you decide that demolishing your building is the best option for you, then the program can also provide this service for free.

Participation in the Flood Property Assessment Program will not affect eligibility for any future buyback, raising or refit.

Email your interest to NSW Public Works at fpap@pwa.nsw.gov.au

Limitations

Eligibility:

You are eligible to register for the program if:

- your damaged building is one of the eligible building types
- your building is located in one of the local government area impacted by the flood events beginning in February (AGRN 1012) or July (AGRN 1025) 2022
- your building was damaged by these flood events (known by AGRN 1012 and AGRN 1025.).

Building types eligible under the Flood Property Assessment Program include:

- residential buildings (where the residence has been affected by flood water)
- farm homesteads and rural buildings
- buildings on commercial properties used for primary business operation including shops and tourism-related businesses, owned by small businesses or primary producers.

Ineligible building types or site features:

- anything not within the property boundary unless required to safely access the property for demolition works
- trees (except where trees and stumps are identified as flood affected and present an obstacle or safety impact to carry out clean-up of eligible destroyed or damaged building structures on the property)
- landscaping, retaining walls and driveways
- in-ground swimming pools, spas and associated pool deck and pool fencing
- irrigation pumps and equipment
- tennis courts, basketball courts and other private sport facilities
- fences not in the vicinity of destroyed or damaged buildings except where required to safely undertake clean-up works

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- rural fences
- septic tanks, unless they present a safety issue. Nature of the works to remove or make safe will be subject to individual on site assessments
- private power poles and bridges
- tyre dumps
- private museums/collections which require storage outside the primary residence
- state or national listed Heritage buildings or properties – until such time that appropriate consideration is given to treatment of any remaining or intact.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Email
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00238/info
Email: fpap@pwa.nsw.gov.au **Phone:** 1300 294 027

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Legal assistance for people engaging with the National Commission for Defence and Veteran Suicide Prevention

Funding Provider
Attorney-General's Department

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Pro Bono Services U00528

Primary Category
Emergency and safety

Eligible to
- TAFE
- Not-for-Profit
- School
- State Govt
- University
- Individual
- Local Govt
- Business
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
Total Pool: $2,188,000

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Australian Government is funding legal financial assistance to individuals and entities to assist with meeting the costs of legal representation and disbursements associated with engaging with the National Commissioner.

Overview

Legal financial assistance may be provided to an entity for their reasonable legal representation and disbursement costs resulting from:

- being called, or granted leave to appear, as a witness at a public or private hearing of the National Commissioner, or
- being requested to attend or attending an interview of the National Commissioner, or
- being requested to provide a written statement that will be used as evidence of the National Commissioner, and/or
- complying with a notice to produce issued by the National Commissioner, and
- where the entity, excluding an individual, would not able to meet these costs without incurring serious financial hardship

Total amount available (AUD): $2,188,000.00

Complete and email the application form, with required attachments, to

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Email
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00528/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00528/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00528/apply
Email: finass@ag.gov.au **Phone:** 02 6141 4770

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No Interest Loans Scheme (NILS)

Funding Providers
Good Shepherd Australia New Zealand
Department of Social Services (DSS)

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Low Or No-interest Loan U00068

Primary Category
Emergency and safety

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$3,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

No Interest Loans (NILS) provide individuals and families on low incomes with access to safe, fair and affordable credit.

Overview

Washing machine broke down? Unexpected car repairs? Car registration due? Need a new laptop for work or school? Moving and need support with bond or rent in advance?

Unexpected expenses are bound to pop up from time to time. NILs help you manage your money, and you only pay back what you borrow, nothing more.

How does NILS work

Submit your invoice and NILs will pay the cost of these essentials straight to the supplier / vendor. Loans cannot be used for cash, bills, debts or rent.

How much can I borrow?

Borrow up to $2000 for essentials such as appliances or furniture, to help you get your car back on the road, pay for education fees and equipment or help you cover the cost of goods and services to support your wellbeing

Borrow up to $3000 for housing related expenses such as bond or rent in advance, or for recovery from a natural disaster.

Limitations

Am I eligible?

- Earn less than $70,000 annual income (before tax) as a single person or $100,000 annual income (before tax) if you have a partner or children
- OR Have experienced family or domestic violence in the last 10 years
- OR Have a Health Care Card / Pension Card
- AND You can show you can afford to repay the loan

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Email, Phone
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00068/info
Phone: 13 64 57

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Payment Assistance Scheme (PAS)

Funding Provider
Sydney Water

Location
NSW

Funding Type
Subsidised Goods And Services U00061

Primary Category
Emergency and safety

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Payment Assistance Scheme (PAS) can provide emergency relief to tenants struggling to pay their water bills.

Overview

Sydney Water's Payment Assistance Scheme (PAS) provides emergency relief to customers struggling to pay their water bill.

If you own and live in your home, or are a tenant who pays your own water usage (have your own meter):

- call Sydney Water on 13 20 92
- visit one of their community agencies for a confidential assessment of your individual circumstances.

Qualified case coordinators, or one of our accredited community agencies, will talk to you about your situation. If you're eligible, they'll apply PAS credits directly to your Sydney Water bill to reduce your debt.

They may refer customers to external services based on their needs. This may include referrals to other agencies for other types of help including:

- emergency relief
- financial counselling
- personal counselling
- advocacy
- housing
- NILS
- EAPA

Limitations

Eligibility for PAS includes:

- owner occupiers – multiple property owners are not eligible for PAS but can be offered deferrals of payment and affordable pay arrangements
- private tenants with NSW Lease Agreement
- properties that are individually metered

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Phone
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00061/info
Email: customercare@sydneywater.com.au **Phone:** 13 20 92

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Personal Hardship Assistance Program

Funding Provider
Department of Families, Fairness and Housing (DFFH) (VIC)

Location
VIC

Funding Type
Cash Grant G06070

Primary Category
Emergency and safety

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$45,250
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Personal Hardship Assistance Program provides assistance to people experiencing financial hardship because of a single house fire or a natural disaster related emergency such as bushfire, flood, severe storm or earthquake.

Overview

The Personal Hardship Assistance Program helps people experiencing financial hardship in emergencies. The program includes Emergency Relief Payments and Re-establishment Assistance.

You may be eligible for an emergency payment if you have been affected by a house fire or a natural disaster.

To apply for payment: Call the VicEmergency Hotline on 1800 226 226. Press 9 for an interpreter. You will be transferred to a relief payment officer who will help you apply.

Emergency Relief Payments:

A one-off payment is provided to help meet immediate needs, including emergency food, shelter, clothing, medication and accommodation.

Emergency relief payments are **not** available for:

- damage caused by construction or building works
- business losses
- motor vehicle repairs or towing
- compensation for the loss of income
- paying insurance excess
- loss resulting from power outages.

You can be paid by:

- direct debit transfer into your nominated bank account
- a prepaid debit card.

A prepaid card can be used to:

- Buy items at stores that accept EFTPOS
- withdraw cash from an ATM - up to $1000 per day

The card will expire on the expiry date printed on the back of the card.

Expiring cards with leftover money:

The Department is contacting anyone who has a prepaid card that is due to expire in October 2024 with a balance of more than $20, to ensure funds are spent before the expiry date.

The Department has also previously contacted anyone with a card that has already expired to transfer their balance to their bank account.

You can find details about prepaid cards by downloading Target market determination prepaid card (word)

Re-establishment Assistance:

You may be eligible for Re-establishment Assistance if your home has been damaged by the recent floods and storms.

You can get financial help to return home if:

- You cannot live in your home because it is damaged or destroyed; or
- you cannot access your home for more than 7 days because of flooding

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It is only available for your principal place of residence.

Re-establishment Assistance can help to pay for:

- clean-up
- emergency accommodation
- repairs
- rebuilding your home
- replacing some damaged contents.

This help is means tested. You can only get it if you:

- do not have building (home) insurance or contents insurance AND
- are experiencing financial hardship

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Email, Phone
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G06070/info
Phone: 1800 226 226

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Public Rural Crisis Fund

Funding Provider
Country Women's Association (CWA) (QLD)

Location
QLD

Funding Type
Cash Grant G08668

Primary Category
Emergency and safety

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$1,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Public Rural Crisis Fund provides support for Queensland women and families suffering from natural disasters or other crises.

Overview

The Fund is currently assisting farmers and their families with household support in every part of Queensland. Support is in the form of providing grocery vouchers or store credit or paying a household bill such as a utility or a medical account.

The PRCF provides financial support to families/households in two circumstances:

- Natural Disasters such as flood, fire, cyclone or drought. You can apply for financial support of up to $1000 per family/household.
- General financial hardship provides up to $500 per family/household.

Limitations

The funder is currently assisting farmers and their families with household support in every part of Queensland. Support is in the form of providing grocery vouchers or store credit or paying a household bill such as a utility or a medical account.

Only one application will be accepted each calendar year per family per household.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Mail, Email
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G08668/info
Contact: The Queensland Country Women's Association State Office
Email: prcf@qcwa.org.au **Phone:** 07 3236 6419

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Rental Grant

Funding Provider
Department of Housing and Public Works (QLD)

Location
QLD

Funding Type
Cash Grant G00364

Primary Category
Emergency and safety

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

A Rental Grant is a once only grant of 2 weeks rent to help you pay for the cost of moving into private rental accommodation. A Rental Grant is for people in a housing crisis.

Overview

Rental grants help people who are leaving a hospital or health facility, correctional facility, other approved centre, child protection service, Community Rent Scheme property in Queensland, who are experiencing domestic, family or sexual violence or who are homeless or at risk of homelessness to move into private rental housing.

A rental grant is a once only grant of two weeks rent - it is not the two weeks in advance that your Agent or Lessor asks for when your tenancy starts

Do not apply online if you have been affected by the recent flood events

If you have been affected by the weather events, do not apply online but talk to your nearest Housing Service Centre to find out more and apply.

Limitations

Eligibility for a Rental Grant

To be eligible for a rental grant, you must be eligible for a bond loan and meet one of the rental grant eligibility criteria confirming you are in one of the housing circumstances listed above.

For people experiencing domestic, family or sexual violence who have provided information about their circumstances, bond loans and rental grants are automatically approved.

Check your eligibility for a Bond Loan or Rental Grant here

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G00364/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G00364/apply
Email: ICCHousingEnquiries@smartservice.qld.gov.au **Phone:** 13 74 68

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Resilient Homes Program - Northern Rivers

Funding Providers
NSW Reconstruction Authority
Northern Rivers Recontruction Corporation
Department of Regional NSW

Location
Richmond Valley
Ballina
Lismore
Tweed
Clarence Valley
Byron
Kyogle

Funding Type
Cash Grant G12982

Primary Category
Emergency and safety

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$600,000
Total Pool: $890,000,000

Rounds
Closes **30 Jun 2026**

Last Round
Closed **5 Apr 2025**

Purpose

The fund will help improve the disaster resilience of homes in high-risk flood areas located in the NSW Northern Rivers LGAs of Ballina, Byron, Clarence Valley, Kyogle, Lismore, Richmond Valley and Tweed.

Overview

The Fund will provide $890 million in flood recovery support to build housing resilience in the Northern Rivers LGAs.

The Fund will be delivered through two complementary programs:

1. the $790 million Resilient Homes Program (RHP), co-funded by the Australian ($350 million) and NSW ($440 million) governments under the Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements, and
2. the $100 million Resilient Lands Program (RLP), funded by the NSW Government

The RHP provides assistance to homeowners and focuses on improving the flood resilience of residential properties in the Northern Rivers LGAs that were impacted by the Flood Event. Grant applications will be assessed using factors such as:

- the severity of property impact from the Flood Event, and
- the risk of future flooding to human safety and to the property, and the potential damage caused.

Homeowners may be eligible for support through one of the following RHP streams:

- the Home Buyback stream – the homeowner receives payment for the purchase of their property1 , taking into account the market value of the property prior to the start of the Flood Event (this stream includes the Buyback – Retreat Grant), or
- the Home Raising stream – the homeowner receives a funding grant to raise Liveable Areas of the residential dwelling above the Flood Planning Level , or move the residential dwelling within the existing property boundary or to an eligible property within the Northern Rivers LGA, or
- the Home Retrofit stream – the homeowner receives a funding grant to retrofit and/or repair areas of the residential dwelling to improve the resilience of these areas from future flood events.

Available funding

Homeowners who are approved for the RHP will be able to access one of the following streams in accordance with the RHP criteria:

- Home Buyback – assessed by an independent valuer (Retreat Grant capped at $600,000 GST inclusive), or
- Home Raising – up to the value of $100,000 (GST inclusive), or
- Home Retrofit – up to the value of $50,000 (GST inclusive)

Limitations

Eligibility

To qualify for assistance, a property must meet the following Eligibility Criteria:

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- the homeowner/s is the registered homeowner/s (owner-occupier or landlord);
- the property is located in one of the Northern Rivers LGAs;
- the property contains (or contained, at the time of the Flood Event) a lawful or permissible residential dwelling;
- the primary residential dwelling footprint was inundated by flood waters in the Flood Event or affected by landslide as a result of the Flood Event such that the dwelling has been deemed uninhabitable. If a secondary dwelling was impacted, the RHP may consider eligibility on a case-by-case basis taking into account the prioritisation status and risk to life;
- the primary residential dwelling was, at the time of the Flood Event:
    - used primarily for residential accommodation;
    - not a moveable dwelling (other than a manufactured home that is privately owned by an individual);
    - not tourist and visitor accommodation;
    - not contained within a caravan park; and
    - not operated for commercial or business purposes, other than shop-top and mixed use housing (for example, a hotel or motel).

For more information on eligible properties, go to www.nsw.gov.au/resilienthomesprogram.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G12982/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G12982/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G12982/apply
Email: resilienthomesprogram@nrrc.nsw.gov.au **Phone:** 1800 844 085

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SA Community Football Support Fund

Funding Provider
South Australian National Football League (SANFL)

Location
SA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G12852

Primary Category
Emergency and safety

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
Total Pool: $100,000

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The SANFL Community Football Support fund has been established to assist individuals and families affected by tragedy.

Overview

The fund is managed by the Community Football Committee, with oversight by the SA Football Commission, and a charter has been established to provide guidance on the administration of the fund.

The purpose of the Support Fund is to provide immediate assistance and/or education to individuals participating in Community Football and their families affected by tragedy, which are exceptional and compelling and with a direct nexus with football, in circumstances including but not limited to:

- death and disability; and
- injury and disease.

Funding

The amount of $100,000 (“the Funds”) has been received from State Government to fund and assist players and communities in times of hardship and confronting situations affecting families or direct to the community.

There will be a limit of $20,000 payable from the Funds in any calendar football year (1 November # 31 October) unless otherwise approved by the Commission.

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Limitations

Eligibility

An Application:

- Must be for individuals participating in Community Football and their families affected by tragedy in regional communities;
- Must have a direct nexus with Community Football;
- Will need to relate to circumstances which are exceptional and compelling;
- Relate to immediate or urgent relief and not retrospective to any prior cause;
- Will be considered on its own merit and will not be bound by precedent;
- Will be at the absolute discretion of the Community Football Committee or other party as identified in accordance with Clause 2 – Responsibilities.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G12852/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G12852/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G12852/apply
Email: communityfootball@sanfl.com.au

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Small Business Rebate

Funding Provider
SafeWork NSW

Location
NSW

Funding Type
Rebate G05438

Primary Category
Emergency and safety

Eligible to
Business

Funding
$1,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

SafeWork NSW offers rebates to small businesses and sole traders in NSW who buy and install equipment that makes their workplace safer.

Overview

If you are a small business owner in NSW, this $1,000 rebate will help you purchase safety items to improve work health and safety for you and your workers.

The business owner must complete an eligible SafeWork NSW education activity in the 12 months prior to applying. An eligible education activity includes either an inspector interaction or eligible event.

Due to a high number of applications, they are experiencing delays processing applications and payments. It may take up to 8 weeks to receive payment of approved applications.

Limitations

To apply for a rebate for an eligible safety item, you must own an 'eligible business' and meet the following criteria:

Eligible business:

An eligible business is one which:

- is registered in NSW and/or is operating a place of business within NSW. A business must have a current ABN and have been operating as a business for at least the past 6 months
- produces goods or provides services in NSW
- falls within the scope of the NSW Work Health and Safety Act 2011 (WHS Act), and
- either:

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- employs between 0-50 full-time workers (or an equivalent number of part-time workers, as defined in section 7 of the WHS Act), or
- is a charitable or not-for-profit service, that employs between 1-50 full-time workers (or an equivalent number of part-time workers, as defined in section 7 of the WHS Act).

Eligible education activity

- The business owner (of a business that is not a charity or not-for-profit service) must attend a SafeWork NSW education activity before claiming the rebate and no more than 12 months prior to the date the application is submitted.
- Your business must have had a current ABN at the time you attended the activity.
- You cannot apply for a rebate if someone else, including a worker in your business, attended the SafeWork NSW education activity on your behalf.
- In the case of multiple business owners, the business owner who attended the eligible SafeWork NSW education activity must also be the applicant and complete the Declaration.
- In the case of not-for-profit organisations and charities, an authorised representative must attend a SafeWork NSW education activity - no more than 12 months prior to the date the application is submitted. The authorised representative must also be the applicant and complete the declaration.

Your business and/or its authorised representative must be solvent on the date of applying for the rebate.

No conflict of interest

Your business and/or its authorised representative must not have a conflict of interest, as defined in clause 6 of these terms and conditions.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G05438/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G05438/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G05438/apply
Website: https://www.nsw.gov.au/ask-a-question-about-small-business-rebate **Email:** safetyrebate@safework.nsw.gov.au **Phone:** 13 10 50

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Smoke Alarm Subsidy Scheme

Funding Provider
Deaf Services Queensland

Location
QLD

Funding Type
Subsidised Goods And Services G04998

Primary Category
Emergency and safety

Eligible to
✔ Individual

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Smoke Alarm Scheme is a Government funded subsidy providing specialised smoke alarms to Deaf and hard of hearing community members living in Queensland.

Overview

The Smoke Alarm alerts the resident to a fire hazard through sight (flashing light) and feel (vibrating pad), giving them the time to evacuate the home safely.

The total price for a Smoke Alarm Kit is $754.60, however with the subsidy it is available to eligible community members for just $50, or $20 with a Concession Card. That price includes 1 smoke alarm detector. To comply with the new Queensland legislation, you may be required to purchase additional detectors at $209.80 each.

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Limitations

To be eligible for the subsidy you must be:

- Deaf or hard of hearing
- Living in Queensland.
- Not on the NDIS

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Mail, Online, Email
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G04998/info
Contact: Department of Community Safety (QLD)
Email: smoke.alarms@deafconnect.org.au **Phone:** (07) 3892 8500

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Strata Resilience Program

Funding Provider
Department of Housing and Public Works (QLD)

Location
QLD

Funding Type
Cash Grant G16527

Primary Category
Emergency and safety

Eligible to
Not-for-Profit

Funding
$150,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Strata Resilience Program helps eligible bodies corporate located in a cyclone risk area in the area from 100 kilometres of the coastline from Rockhampton, north to the Torres Strait and west to the Queensland/Northern Territory border to improve the resilience of their strata properties against cyclones.

Overview

Eligible body corporates can apply for a grant for up to 75% of the cost of improvements.

This program assists strata title properties that both:

- have participated in the North Queensland Strata Title Inspection Program
- are located within 100 kilometres of the coastline from Rockhampton, north to the Torres Strait and west to the Queensland/Northern Territory border.

These properties may be eligible to apply for a grant for up to 75% of the cost of eligible improvements identified through the inspection program to $15,000 (including GST) per residential tenancy to a maximum grant of $150,000 (including GST) per body corporate.

If your body corporate is yet to participate in the inspection program, you canregister your interest.

Limitations

Body corporate requirements

To be eligible to apply, the body corporate must:

- have participated in the Strata Title Inspection Program and have a copy of the report provided by James Cook University Cyclone Testing Station
- have a nominated person to act on behalf of the body corporate as a single point of contact for the program
- be located in a cyclone risk area (in the area from 100 kilometres of the coastline from Rockhampton, north to the Torres Strait and west to the Queensland/Northern Territory border)
- confirm that they have adequate funds to meet co-contribution requirements.

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Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G16527/info
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G16527/apply
Email: strongerhomes@epw.qld.gov.au **Phone:** (07) 3007 4485 (option 3)

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Structural assistance grant

Funding Provider
Department of Housing and Public Works (QLD)

Location
QLD

Funding Type
Cash Grant G06582

Primary Category
Emergency and safety

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$80,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

If you're uninsured, or unable to claim insurance, this grant is a one-off contribution towards repairs to your home to make it secure and safe.

Overview

This Grant has been activated for:

- **Western Qld Rainfall and Flooding March 2025**
- **Tropical Cyclone Alfred March 2025**
- **North and Far North Tropical Low from January 2025**
- **Tropical Cyclone Kirrily January 2024**
- **Tropical Cyclone Jasper December 2023**
- **Toowoomba fires November 2023**
- **North Queensland fires October 2023**
- **Bundaberg and Gladstone bushfires October 2023**
- **Western Darling Downs bushfires October 2023**
- **Northern and Central Queensland monsoon and flooding March 2023**
- **Western Downs bushfire February 2023**

To view the current list of events open for application click here

Uninsured, low income, owner-occupiers may receive money to help repair your home to make it safe, secure, and habitable. This excludes repairs to damage that existed prior to the disaster event. The maximum amount available is:

- up to $80,000 for eligible disaster events that occurred since January 2023
- up to $50,000 for eligible disaster events that occurred prior to January 2023.

Income test (how much you earn)

Your gross (before tax) weekly income must be less than or equal to:

- individual: $1,179 ($61,322 per year)
- couple: $1,630 ($84,782 per year)
- sole parent, one child: $1,632 ($84,841 per year)
- couple, one child: $2,021 ($105,125 per year).

For each additional child, add $391 per week.

For each dependent adult, add $451 per week.

Where a property is jointly owned by two or more people, the income test is applied to all title holders of the property.

The grant can be paid to you or directly to the tradesperson completing the repairs.

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The grant can be paid by:

- electronic funds transfer (EFT) to the bank account you listed in your application. The timing depends on when your bank processes the payment.
- cheque mailed to the address in your application.

New changes

There has been an increase to the maximum amount of assistance available under this grant. If you have already applied for this grant we will contact you if we need more information.

View the current list of events open for applications.

You may be eligible to apply for assistance for more than one of these events if:

- you received a grant under one of the eligible disasters listed above and repair works were completed, and
- your home was then damaged by another of the eligible disasters and now needs further work to make it safe, secure and habitable.

You cannot claim for damage that occurred in one disaster under another or multiple disaster events.

Limitations

Who can apply

You must meet all these requirements:

- the residential dwelling that you're applying for a grant for must be within an eligible area affected by the disaster event.
- you were living in the residential dwelling (which includes a caravan or boat) as your principal place of residence (main home) when the disaster happened.
- your home sustained structural damage as a result of the disaster.
- you must own or have a mortgage on the residential dwelling. If multiple dwellings are on the same property and are not separately metered, we can assess them as separate households if you can demonstrate you live independently of each other.
- you must **not** hold an insurance policy that covers you for expenses or losses sustained during the disaster.
- if you hold an insurance policy:
    - you do not have coverage for a particular event (e.g. storm/flood) and/or
    - you must have evidence that the insurance claim has been declined.
- you must qualify under the income test outlined below.

We will send specialist assessors to your home to confirm it was damaged, destroyed or is unfit to live in as a direct result of the disaster and to assess the scope of works needed to return it to a safe, secure and habitable status.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online, Phone
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G06582/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G06582/apply
Phone: 1800 173 349

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Support for individuals and families in disaster-affected areas

Funding Provider
BlazeAid

Location
Aus

Funding Type
In-kind Contribution U00236

Primary Category
Emergency and safety

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

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Purpose

BlazeAid's purpose is to relieve the poverty, suffering, distress, misfortune, destitution or helplessness experienced by survivors of bushfires and other natural disasters through the help of volunteers.

Overview

BlazeAid is volunteer-based organisation that works with families and individuals in rural Australia after natural disasters such as fires, cyclones, droughts and floods.

Property Owners and families are asked to contact the Camp Coordinators directly. **Click here** to visit our Current Camps page where you can find contact details of the camp coordinator.

If there is not a camp near you, contact your local Council.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00236/info
Contact: Debbie Buttler
Website: http://blazeaid.com.au/contact-us/ **Email:** admin@blazeaid.com.au **Phone:** 0418 990 267

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The Reece Foundation Grant

Funding Provider
Reece Foundation

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G16760

Primary Category
Emergency and safety

Eligible to
Not-for-Profit

Funding
Amount: $5,000 to $30,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Reece supports locally led initiatives that help communities in Australia and overseas with access to clean water, sanitation or food security through irrigation.

Overview

The Reece Foundation accepts Grant applications for proposals between $5,000 and $30,000.

The Reece Foundation accepts Grant applications that meet the following guidelines:

- The application is submitted by a registered charity or not-for-profit organisation.
- Identifies a need for access to clean water, sanitation or irrigation for food security.
- Clearly articulates the potential impact on the community.
- Outlines how the organisation has consulted with and involved the community in the proposed initiative.
- Includes the trade-skills required for the project in addressing the need identified by the community.

Applications are reviewed on a rolling basis and you will be notified if you have been shortlisted.

Limitations

Eligibility:

The Reece Foundation accepts grant applications from:

- registered charities or not-for-profit organisations.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G16760/info

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Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G16760/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G16760/apply
Website: https://www.reecegrant.com.au/contact-us/

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VABT Assistance

Funding Provider
Victorian Actors' Benevolent Trust (VABT)

Location
VIC

Funding Type
Cash Grant G10906

Primary Category
Emergency and safety

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

As a charity working for over 60 years, the VABT's mission is to support the people in our industry who are experiencing an emergency health crisis.

Overview

The VABT provides emergency financial assistance to members of our community who have suffered a health crisis or medical emergency.

All applications are assessed on a confidential and case-by-case basis by our volunteer Committee of Management.

Limitations

Who can apply?

The VABT supports Victorian professional performing arts workers from theatre, film and television: on and off stage, in front of and behind the camera. This includes actors, dancers, opera performers, crew, directors, creatives, circus performers and comedians.

What VABT don't fund?

Financial support is only given to the people in our industry who are experiencing an emergency health crisis. VABT are unable to provide support for the following:

- Unemployment or underemployment
- Funding for productions or films
- Fundraising platforms such as GoFundMe, Kickstarter or Indiegogo

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G10906/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G10906/apply
Email: enquries@vabt.com.au **Phone:** 0411 524 929

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Victims Support Scheme

Funding Provider
Department of Justice (NSW)

Location
NSW

Funding Type
Cash Grant G07032

Primary Category
Emergency and safety

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
Amount: Unknown to $30,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Victims Support Scheme assists victims of violent crime, modern slavery and road crime in NSW.

Overview

If you have been injured by a violent crime, we can help you with:

- Counselling - To help you recover from the psychological and emotional impacts of a crime.
- Financial assistance for immediate needs - To help cover urgent health, safety or security expenses resulting from violent crime or modern slavery.
- Financial assistance for economic loss - To help pay for loss of earnings and other costs that assist you with your recovery.
- Funeral expenses – To cover the cost of arranging a funeral on behalf of a family member of a homicide victim.
- Recognition payment - To acknowledge that a violent crime has been committed against you. Payment is based on the offence committed.

Please refer to the guidelines document for further information.

Limitations

Support is available for:

- a person who has been injured as a result of a violent crime or modern slavery (primary victim)
- a person who has been injured as a result of witnessing a violent crime (secondary victim)
- a parent, step-parent or guardian who is caring for a child who has been injured as a result of a violent crime or modern slavery
- an immediate family member of a person who has died as a result of a homicide (family victim - homicide)
- a related family member of a person who has died as a result of a homicide, who is not a family victim
- an immediate family member of a person who has died as a result of a road crime (family victim - road crime)
- a related family member of a person who has died as a result of a road crime, who is not a family victim.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G07032/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G07032/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G07032/apply
Email: vs@agd.nsw.gov.au **Phone:** 1800 633 063

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Back to Work - Jobseeker Support

Funding Provider
Department of Trade, Employment and Training (QLD)

Location
QLD

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19646

Primary Category
Employment

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$3,000

Rounds
Closes **30 Jun 2026**

Purpose

Jobseeker Support is one of the initiatives under the Back to Work program. It provides financial assistance to disadvantaged jobseekers to secure ongoing employment and supports individuals where there is an economic barrier to gaining or retaining employment.

Overview

Jobseeker Support aims to increase the employability skills of jobseekers and equip individuals with the skills and supports necessary to gain and maintain employment.

Jobseeker Support provides financial support to eligible jobseekers to address barriers to employment. This could include costs associated with:

- Driving lessons (up to a maximum of 10 lessons)
- White Card, Blue Card and Yellow Card fees
- Machinery tickets or other licences
- Funding to purchase identification (this includes birth certificate, driver licence and/or a photo identification card only, passports are not included as eligible).
- Uniforms and appropriate tools and equipment relevant to the chosen career path (up to a maximum of $1000).

Funding must be linked to a genuine employment opportunity. If the eligible jobseeker requires support outside of what is listed above, they may request consideration based on their individual circumstances.

The maximum amount of funding available is $3000. This can be across multiple goods and services.

Applications open for initial payments until 30 June 2026.

Limitations

Jobseekers who identify as belonging to one or more of the following target groups are eligible:

- young people aged 15-24 years (unemployed for a minimum of 8 weeks)
- First Nations peoples (unemployed for a minimum of 8 weeks)
- people with disability (unemployed for a minimum of 8 weeks)
- culturally and linguistically diverse people (unemployed for a minimum of 8 weeks)
- long-term unemployed people (unemployed for 52 weeks or longer)

Your principal place of residence must be in Queensland.

You must be either:

- An Australian citizen
- An Australian permanent resident
- A New Zealand citizen or
- A temporary resident with the necessary visa and work permits on the pathway to permanent residency.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19646/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19646/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19646/apply
Email: jobseekersupport@desbt.qld.gov.au **Phone:** 13 74 68

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Back to Work Small Business Support Pool

Funding Provider
Department of Employment, Small Business and Training (QLD)

Location
QLD

Funding Type
Cash Grant G13341

Primary Category
Employment

Eligible to
Business

Funding
$2,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Small Business Support Pool is one component of the suite of programs delivered under the revitalised Back to Work initiative, which is designed to give businesses the confidence to employ Queenslanders who have experienced a period of unemployment and help workers facing disadvantage in the labour market.

Overview

Under the revitalised Back to Work program, there is a stronger focus on supporting employers to keep or retain their employees on a long-term and ongoing basis.

The Small Business Support Pool is one component of the suites of programs delivered under the revitalised Back to Work initiative, which is designed to give businesses the confidence to employ Queenslanders who have experienced a period of unemployment and help workers facing disadvantage in the labour market.

Eligible businesses can access a payment of up to $2,000 to support the retention of a Back to Work supported employee.

Funding can be used for a range of categories including training, digital upgrades, mentoring and coaching and workforce development. All applications must demonstrate how the funding being sought is linked to the retention of the Back to Work supported employee.

Category	Example activities
Training	• Professional development and upskilling to ensure compliance with industry regulations and standards • professional business advice • personal development (e.g. Microsoft suite, customer skills service) • industry specific or job skills training/coaching • retraining to assist with diversification
Digital solutions	• specialised software, including subscription costs
Workplace fit out	• adjustments to building to improve accessibility (e.g installation of ramps,lifts) • furniture and/or equipment to improve accessibility or facilitate the employee to work independently • machinery/vehicle alterations (e.g. hydraulic lifts) to improve ability to work independently.

Applications

Applications can be made through QGrants after the initial 12 weeks of employing a Back to Work-supported employee.

Limitations

Who can apply?

Business Eligibility:

To be eligible to apply, the business must:

- have an active Back to Work agreement for an employee who is currently employed with the business and whose employment commenced on or after 1 July 2021;

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- have employed the Back to Work employee for at least 12 weeks;
- employ less than 20 people; and
- detail, to the Departments satisfaction, how the funding will help the business retain the employee.

Funding cannot be used for:

- any item that does not clearly enable or support the retention of the Back to Work employee;
- any costs relating to marketing, advertising or promotions, or associated activities and materials;
- business operating costs (rental leases, utilities, stock, tax);
- support already funded through the Australian Government*;
- retrospective payments for goods or services already purchased;
- personal and corporate business/debt;
- costs associated with employing (payment of wages, superannuation, WorkCover and other tax); or
- fees for services and/or goods provided by related parties (such as companies with common shareholdings or directorship with the applicant, and employees or immediate family of the applicant).

*For instance, where the Back to Work-supported employee is a person with a disability and the employer is seeking funding to renovate their workspace that has been previously funded under the Australian Government's Employment Assistance Fund.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G13341/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G13341/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G13341/apply
Email: backtowork@desbt.qld.gov.au

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Business to Business Grant

Funding Provider
City of Whittlesea

Location
Whittlesea

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19563

Primary Category
Employment

Eligible to
Business

Funding
$10,000

Rounds
Closes **31 Dec 2025**

Opens **1 Jan 2026** Closes **30 Apr 2026**

Purpose

The Business to Business (B2B) Grant Program is aimed at helping small businesses procure local products or services from approved local vendors.

Overview

The B2B Grant Program offers up to $10,000 per application through two streams for businesses to choose from:

- Stream 1: Business Improvement and Innovation
- Stream 2: Elevating your business

The funding offered must be matched dollar-for-dollar by the business. It will be paid following successful project completion and demonstration of business co-contribution.

Limitations

To be eligible for funding, applicants must:

- Be a registered member of the City of Whittlesea Business Network. Joining the WBN is free. More information at Business Network.
- Be the owner or tenant named on an existing or pending lease agreement (not subletting space from another business)
- Have an active Australian Business Number (ABN)

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- Provide evidence of insurance including certificate of currency (public liability, professional indemnity, or any other relevant insurances)
- Be able to demonstrate business financial viability
- Have Public and or Professional Liability Insurance with a minimum of $20 million covering the delivery period of this program
- Not have overdue acquittals
- Not have an outstanding debt to City of Whittlesea.
- Stream 2 applicants must have 5 or fewer FTE (Full Time Equivalent) employees
- Services and/or products exceeding $500 must have a quote to support
- Services and/or products exceeding $2,000 must have a minimum of 3 quotes.
- Note: Quotes obtained from WBN members are preferred.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19563/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19563/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19563/apply
Contact: Michael Schiller
Email: michael.schiller@whittlesea.vic.gov.au

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Early Childhood Education and Care (ECEC) Worker Retention Payment

Funding Provider
Department of Education

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G15351

Primary Category
Employment

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- State Govt
- Individual
- Business
- Local Govt
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
Total Pool: $3500,000,000

Rounds
Closes **30 Sep 2026**

Purpose

The purpose of this grant is to provide Australian Government funding to support a wage increase for all eligible ECEC workers from December 2024.

Overview

The Australian Government has announced a total investment of $3.6 billion towards the ECEC Worker Retention Payment, of this up to $3.5 billion has been made available for this grant opportunity. The grant funding awarded under this grant opportunity grant will be available from the first business day in December 2024 to 30 November 2026.

Funding provided is not capped but is dependent on a formula based on the labour costs for the charged hours of care provided by a service on a monthly basis and the Commonwealth contribution rate to support a wage increase. Charged hours of care is determined by administrative data held in the CCS system.

The objectives of the program are to:

- support a meaningful wage increase for a historically undervalued, highly feminised sector that provides an essential service;
- contribute to the ongoing professionalisation of the ECEC sector;
- ensure ECEC remains accessible and affordable to families; and
- address workforce shortages as the Government considers a pathway to universal ECEC.

Limitations

Eligibility Criteria:

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To be eligible you must:

- be a legal entity that provides CBDC or OSHC services (a Provider). One Provider may apply in relation to one or multiple service locations (Services) that the Provider owns and operates.

The Provider must be:

- an incorporated or unincorporated body or association; or
- a private or public company; or
- a registered co-operative; or
- a state/territory government body, or
- a local council; or
- an Indigenous corporation; or
- a sole trader; or
- a partnership.

The Provider must for each service on the application:

- have a valid ABN;
- have a valid account registered with a recognised Australian financial institution;
- be approved by the Department of Education to administer CCS payments as evidenced by a valid and current CCS approval number;
- meet and maintain all eligibility requirements of continued CCS approval for the duration of your Grant Agreement under this Grant Opportunity;
- employ eligible ECEC workers under a workplace instrument that meets the conditions of Section 4.3; and
- not increase their Service fees by more than 4.4 per cent in the 12 months from 8 August 2024 to 7 August 2025 and for each subsequent 12 month period, by more than the amount equivalent to the growth rate as specified in the new ABS input cost index which will be developed specifically for the ECEC sector or such other fee growth percentage caps as determined by the Department (see Section 9.1 for further detail) (Fee Constraint Condition).

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G15351/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G15351/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G15351/apply
Email: CCShelpdesk@education.gov.au

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Rapid Response Skills Initiative (RRSI)

Funding Providers
Skills Tasmania
Department of State Growth (TAS)

Location
TAS

Funding Type
Cash Grant G08445

Primary Category
Employment

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$3,000
Total Pool: $6,300,000

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Rapid Response Skills Initiative assists individuals to be reskilled and to connect to jobs in industries where there is immediate and emerging demand.

Overview

The Rapid Response Skills Initiative (RRSI) provides up to $3000 towards the cost of training for eligible people who have lost casual, full-time or part-time work in the last 12 months due to retrenchment, downsizing or business closure.

This includes self-employed people (sole-traders or partners in a partnership) who have closed their business.

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There are a lot of different options that you can use the funding for including:

- occupational tickets and licences, and/or
- formal education and training (eg. TasTAFE, other Vocational Education and Training (VET) providers or universities), and/or
- non-accredited training that is recognised by professional bodies, employers, and other authorities in an area of skill and employment demand - approval or otherwise will wholly be at the discretion of Jobs Tasmania.

To help you decide what training is best for you, you will get free career advice through Jobs Tasmania's **Career Connector** service. If you are eligible you will be able to access up to $3000 to pay for suitable training and licences to help you find another job.

Before you apply for funding, you must consult a Career Connector service provider to assess your eligibility and talk to you about your options.

Limitations

Individuals can apply for Rapid Response Skills Training Support funding if they have recently lost work due to retrenchment, downsizing or business closure.

You are eligible if:

- you have lost casual, full-time or part-time work in the last 12 months due to retrenchment, downsizing or business closure; and
- you can provide written evidence of job loss, redundancy or retrenchment in the form of
    - a Centrelink Employment Separation Certificate clearly stating the reason for job loss, or,
    - a notification of redundancy or job loss such as a letter/email from your employer which includes contact details for Skills Tasmania to verify your eligibility if necessary; or
    - if you are self-employed - that is, a sole-trader or a partner in a partnership - and can provide written evidence of business closure such as cancelled GST registration or ABN; and
- you are an Australian Citizen or Permanent Resident with a Tasmanian residential address; or
- if not a Permanent Resident, you meet the VISA classes described by accessing the link here.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G08445/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G08445/guidelines

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G08445/apply
Website: http://www.skills.tas.gov.au/rapidresponse **Email:** rapid.response@skills.tas.gov.au **Phone:** 1800 655 846

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Travel and Accommodation Allowance

Funding Provider
Department of Education (SA)

Location
SA

Funding Type
In-kind Contribution U00372

Primary Category
Employment

Eligible to
Business

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

If your business is in rural or regional South Australia, you can access allowances for travel and accommodation associated with hiring an apprentice or trainee.

Overview

The Travel and Accommodation Allowance (TAA) is a contribution by the Department for Education (DfE) to the costs incurred by employers when apprentices and trainees are required to travel long distances to a Nominated Training

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Organisation (NTO) that delivers their qualification. An NTO may be either a Registered Training Organisation or a recognised higher education provider.

This allowance is a contribution only and is not intended to cover the total travel and accommodation costs. Any additional travel and accommodation costs incurred as a result of an apprentice or trainee attending off the job training may be the responsibility of the employer.

Limitations

Eligibility

To be eligible to receive an allowance, an employer must employ an apprentice or trainee that:

- has an approved Training Contract registered in South Australia, under the South Australian Skills Act 2008 (SA);
- is required to travel in excess of 150 km (round trip) between his/her normal place of residence and the nearest training venue offering the apprenticeship/traineeship qualification; and
- resides within a non-metropolitan area of South Australia, unless the travel allowance relates to interstate travel pre-approved by DfE. The list of pre-approved qualifications is provided at Schedule A – Travel and Accommodation Allowance Interstate Delivery List.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00372/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00372/guidelines
Email: Education.Travel@sa.gov.au

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YAS - Support for individuals aged 15 to 24

Funding Provider
Workforce Australia

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Workplace Support U00353

Primary Category
Employment

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
Total Pool: Unknown

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Youth Advisory Sessions (YAS) are one-hour, one-on-one sessions with a specialist youth consultant.

Overview

Youth Advisory Sessions (YAS) are one-hour, one-on-one sessions with a specialist youth consultant.

Sessions are flexible and tailored to your needs. You can get advice on:

- job search skills
- writing resumes
- job applications
- job interviews
- your career direction
- education and training options
- local support services.

Consultants have experience helping young people. They often work in your area, so they know your community and have connections with local employers.

If you're eligible, you can book up to 3 free one-hour sessions.

More Information:

Cost: There is no cost to the individual

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Duration: 1 hour

Points: 20 points per session Learn more about points

Delivery method: In-person, online, over the phone

Limitations

Eligibility:

To book a session, you must be:

- aged 15 to 24 years
- registered with Workforce Australia Online.

You don't need to receive a Centrelink payment to be eligible.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00353/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00353/apply
Website: https://www.workforceaustralia.gov.au/individuals/contact-us/

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Advancing Renewables Program

Funding Provider
Australian Renewable Energy Agency (ARENA)

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G12026

Primary Category
Environment

Eligible to
- State Govt
- Business
- Local Govt

Funding
Amount: $100,000 (approx) to $5,000,000 (approx)
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Advancing Renewables Program supports a range of development, demonstration and pre-commercial deployment projects. This includes opportunities to optimise the transition to renewable electricity, commercialise clean hydrogen and support the transition to low emissions metals.

Overview

The Advancing Renewables Program (ARP) is continuously open for applications that address their investment focus areas to:

- Ultra low-cost solar
- Optimise the transition to renewable electricity
- Commercialise clean hydrogen
- Support the transition to low emissions metals
- Decarbonise transport

ARENA wishes to attract and fund projects that align with its Investment Plan and the priority low emissions technologies and emerging and enabling technologies outlined in the Low Emissions Technology Statement that support renewable energy and enabling technologies.

Through the Advancing Renewables Program, ARENA is able to fund only those low emissions projects and activities that involve a renewable energy technology or technologies that increase the supply of, or improve the competitiveness of, renewable energy in Australia and have a clear nexus to renewable energy and its enabling technologies.

The Advancing Renewables Program (ARP) is an open, ongoing program which will run until funds are exhausted or otherwise terminated or extended at ARENAs discretion.

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You are strongly encouraged to contact ARENA at to discuss your proposal prior to submitting the online application. You can request guidance on your concept via the contact us form and select Funding Applications.

Limitations

To be an Applicant you must:

- at the time of applying, hold an Australian Business Number (ABN) and
- unless applying for funding for Desktop Studies and Analysis,
    - be (or warrant that you will be at the time of entering into a funding agreement) an Australian entity incorporated under the Corporations Act 2001 (Cth) or
    - be a Commonwealth entity prescribed as a government business enterprise by section 5(1) of the Public Governance, Performance and Accountability Rule 2014 or
    - be an Australian State or Territory owned corporation or a subsidiary of an Australian State or Territory owned corporation or
    - be an Australian local government or council.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G12026/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G12026/guidelines
Email: arena@arena.gov.au **Phone:** 1800 804 847

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Australian Geographic Awards for Nature

Funding Provider
Australian Geographic (AG) Society

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19752

Primary Category
Environment

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
Amount: $20,000 to $50,000

Rounds
Opens **5 Jan 2026** Closes **27 Feb 2026 Initial applications are by EOI**

Purpose

The Australian Geographic Awards for Nature is the Australian Geographic Society's flagship funding program for nature. It supports outstanding, community-driven conservation projects across Australia.

Overview

Funding is offered annually at three tiers - $20,000, $30,000 and $50,000 - for practical, science-based work that protects biodiversity, restores ecosystems and strengthens resilience to environmental threats.

Funding Tiers:

- Gold - $50,000: Established programs with proven impact.
- Silver - $30,000: Growing programs with demonstrated success ready to scale.
- Bronze - $20,000: Early-stage or local projects with strong potential and clear plans.

Expression of interest opens 5 January to 27 February 2026.

Limitations

Applicants must be:

- Registered charities and not-for-profits
- Conservation NGOs, Landcare groups and community organisations
- First Nations organisations
- Universities and research institutes (for applied work)

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- Environmental trusts, foundations and social enterprises
- Citizen-science organisations
- Individuals auspiced by an eligible organisation

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Email
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19752/info
Email: society@ausgeo.com.au

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Australian Geographic Society - Adventure & Exploration

Funding Provider
Australian Geographic (AG) Society

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Award G19753

Primary Category
Environment

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
Total Pool: Unknown

Rounds
Closes **31 Jan 2026**

Purpose

Australian Geographic's annual awards for adventure are the longest running and most prestigious accolades for Australia's adventure community.

Overview

Categories for 2026 include:

Young Adventurer of the Year: Awarded to a person usually under the age of 30, this award usually reflects a particular expedition or adventure during the last 24 months.

Spirit of Adventure: This is awarded to those whose efforts reflect strength, determination and the ability to overcome obstacles to attain their goals and achieve great things. It also acknowledges that sometimes it takes more than one attempt to achieve those goals. There is no age limit. It usually reflects an achievement or attempt during the last 24 months. It's possible for there to be more than one winner in any given year.

Adventurer of the Year: This award has been won by Australia's most celebrated explorers and adventurers such as Lisa Blair, Tim Jarvis AM and aviator Michael Smith. It usually reflects a particularly notable achievement in the last 24 months. There are no age limits.

Lifetime of Adventure Award: This is the Society's highest honour and recognises special Australians who haven't just lived an adventurous life, but who have inspired others by their leadership and example. Past recipients include mountaineer Greg Mortimer OAM, Dick Smith AC, and even Apollo 11 astronaut Buzz Aldrin who received an honorary award in 2010 when he attended the awards night. There are no age limits but it's customary for the Lifetime of Adventure medallion to be given to an older Australian.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Email
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19753/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19753/apply
Email: society@ausgeo.com.au

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Better Bins Plus: Go FOGO

Funding Providers
Department of Water and Environmental Regulation (WA)
Waste Authority

Location
WA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G12800

Primary Category
Environment

Eligible to
Local Govt

Funding
Total Pool: Unknown

Rounds
Closes **31 Mar 2026**

Last Round
Closed **30 Jun 2025**

Purpose

The Better Bins Plus: Go FOGO (Better Bins Plus) program is a State Government initiative, delivered by the Waste Authority. The program supports local governments to provide better practice three-bin kerbside collection systems with a separate food organics garden organics (FOGO) service.

Overview

Better Bins Plus supports a headline commitment in Western Australia's Waste Avoidance and Resource Recovery Strategy 2030 (waste strategy) to have a consistent three#bin kerbside collection system, which includes separation of food organics and garden organics from other waste categories. Our aim is for all local governments in the Perth and Peel regions to provide three#bin FOGO services by 2025.

Better Bins Plus offers a funding amount to local governments based on the number of households receiving a three#bin FOGO service, consistent with the FOGO collection guidelines.

The Waste Authority has approved improvements to the Better Bins Plus: Go FOGO program to encourage delivery of better practice three-bin FOGO collection services by local governments.

These improvements will:

- increase payments to $25 or $15 per household for all future approved projects, with the higher amount being provided to local governments that have not received funds from the earlier Better Bins program
- provide top-ups to existing Better Bins Plus project payments to a combined maximum of $25 or $15 per household, conditional on this funding being used to improve the performance of existing FOGO services, supported by approved project plans.

The final funding round is now open and will close at midnight WST, Tuesday 31 March 2026.

Contact the Program Coordinator to discuss your local government FOGO project and be given access to the SmartyGrants application form.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G12800/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G12800/guidelines
Email: betterpractice@dwer.wa.gov.au **Phone:** 6364 6559

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Bin Trim Equipment Rebates Program

Funding Provider
NSW Environment Protection Authority (EPA)

Location
NSW

Funding Type
Rebate U00397

Primary Category
Environment

Eligible to
- TAFE
- Not-for-Profit
- School
- University
- Business
- Local Govt

Funding
$50,000

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Rebates of up to $50,000 covering up to 50% of the capital cost of small-scale, on-site recycling equipment or technology.

Overview

To increase workplace recycling, the Waste and Sustainable Materials Strategy provides businesses with rebates covering up to 50% of the cost of small-scale, on-site recycling equipment or technology that helps them to avoid, reduce, reuse, or recycle their waste.

Equipment eligible

What sort of equipment is eligible?

- balers
- briquette presses
- bulk bag stands and bulk bags
- cardboard perforator
- commercial worm farms
- compactors
- food waste monitoring equipment e.g., smart scale
- glass crushers
- granulators
- organics rapid decomposition units (where output is sent to a licenced composting facility)
- plastic injection moulders
- shredders
- smart scales and other food waste monitoring equipment
- source separation bins, wheelie bins, skip bins and other bin equipment – with bin signs and stickers
- trolleys to transport waste and maximise waste separation and diversion

Limitations

Eligible applicants

Eligible applicants Businesses applying for the Rebates Program must:

- have a commercial and industrial (C&I) waste service at a site in NSW
- have a valid ABN and employ one or more full-time employees in NSW, and
- send C&I waste to landfill in NSW.

Businesses can include entities that are registered charities, not-for-profits, public entities (including schools and hospitals), and government organisations.

Eligibility criteria

To be eligible for the Rebates Program:

- the application must be prepared and submitted by an ‘Eligible applicant’ (specified above)
- the equipment and technology funded must contribute to an ‘Eligible outcome’ (specified below)
- the equipment or technology must divert or avoid new tonnes of waste going to landfill (examples of the equipment or technology that may be funded are specified below)
- the equipment or technology must meet the EPA’s rebate return on investment (ROI) thresholds
- the equipment or technology funded must be installed and commence operation within 3 months of the applicant executing a Funding Deed with the EPA

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- purchased equipment or technology must be operated and maintained for 5 years from the date of installation
- leased equipment or technology must be leased, operated and maintained for a minimum of 12 months from the date of installation, and
- payment made by the business for their share of the cost of purchase or lease of the equipment or technology must be a monetary payment and cannot include a payment in-kind.

Eligible outcomes

Equipment and technology funded with the Rebates Program must contribute to achieving targets identified in the NSW Waste and Materials Strategy 2041 (WaSM). These include:

- reducing total waste generated by 10% per person by 2030
- achieving an 80% average recovery rate from all waste streams by 2030
- tripling the plastics recycling rate by 2030
- phasing out problematic and unnecessary plastics by 2025
- halving the amount of organic waste sent to landfill by 2030
- significantly increasing the use of recycled content by governments and industry.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00397/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00397/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00397/apply
Email: Bintrim.rebates@epa.nsw.gov.au **Phone:** 131 555

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BushBank Program: Private Land Stream

Funding Providers
Cassinia Environmental
Department of Energy, Environment and Climate Action (VIC)

Location
VIC

Funding Type
Cash Grant G17876

Primary Category
Environment

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Business

Funding
Total Pool: $30,900,000

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Victorian Government's BushBank Program Private Land Stream is addressing climate change and supporting wildlife as it restores more than 20,000 hectares of land across Victoria

Overview

Millions of native trees and shrubs will be planted to capture carbon and create healthy habitat for native wildlife. The majority of work is taking place through partnerships with private landowners, providing an opportunity to participate in the most ambitious restoration program in Victoria's history.

The BushBank program provides a unique opportunity for private landowners to play a meaningful role in addressing climate change and supporting wildlife, leaving a legacy for generations to come. If selected to take part in the BushBank Program, all landowners will receive BushBank funding and guidance for their restoration project.

Cassinia Environmental is the Victorian Government's delivery partner for the private land stream of BushBank. Cassinia Environmental will support landowners to source and secure co-funding from various partners, including from carbon markets and philanthropic biodiversity-focused partners.

Participating in BushBank will involve restoring degraded land though planting native vegetation. This provides significant benefits for the environment including healthy habitat for Victorian wildlife and increased carbon sequestration. All sites are permanently protected by a Trust for Nature Conservation Covenant.

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Limitations

All land must be freehold land within the state of Victoria, owned by a private individual or entity. Land owned by the government, a Victorian Public Entity, a Commonwealth Public Entity; or another Government Agency is not eligible.

To be eligible for the BushBank Private Land Stream site must:

- have a minimum of 20-hectare woody restoration area (with preference given to larger sites)
- have no existing obligations to restore the land (either legislated or under an existing agreement)
- be outside of the Melbourne Strategic Assessment (MSA) area
- not be subject to compulsory acquisition or subject to a government development initiative
- not been illegally cleared.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G17876/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G17876/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G17876/apply
Email: bushbank.partner@cassinia.com **Phone:** 1300 572 164

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Coastal and Estuary Grants Program: Planning stream

Funding Provider
Department of Planning and Environment (NSW)

Location
NSW

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19082

Primary Category
Environment

Eligible to
Local Govt

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **30 Jun 2026**

Purpose

The NSW Government's Coastal and Estuary Grants Program underpins the implementation of the coastal management framework and supports local councils and communities to achieve the state's long-term vision for the coast.

Overview

The program supports local councils in managing the coastal environment of New South Wales in a manner consistent with the principles of ecologically sustainable development for the social, cultural and economic wellbeing of the people of the state.

Grant funding enables local councils and communities to prepare coastal management programs and implement actions identified in those programs. Grant offers are subject to statewide priorities and the availability of funds each financial year.

Funding is available for planning projects that aim to:

- develop a coastal management program (CMP)
- transition a coastal zone management plan (CZMP) to a coastal management program
- conducting studies to comprehend coastal processes and map coastal hazards/coastal vulnerability areas necessary for coastal management program development
- conducting studies to identify threats to coastal management areas within the NSW coastal zone essential for coastal management program development
- investigate and design coastal and estuary management activities recommended in a certified coastal management program.

Funding:

For all funding streams aside from exempt activities, CZEAS projects and projects over $5 million, the NSW Government will provide $2 for every $1 provided by the applicant (2:1 ratio).

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Limitations

Local councils, county councils, joint organisations (established under an Act of Parliament) and incorporated Regional Organisations of Councils (ROC) can apply.

Where multiple councils are working together within the same coastal sediment compartment or estuary to prepare and implement a coastal management program, one council, county council, joint organisation or incorporated Regional Organisations of Councils (from within the area) must be the lead agency in terms of signing the funding agreement, managing monies and reporting on the project.

Public land managers (such as a Crown reserve trust or a location-specific NSW Government authority) may apply in partnership with a lead council, providing the council or other eligible organisation is the principal applicant and assumes overall responsibility for administering the grant.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19082/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19082/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19082/apply
Email: coastalestuary.floodgrants@environment.nsw.gov.au **Phone:** (02) 9895 6494

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Coastcare Victoria Community Grants

Funding Provider
Department of Energy, Environment and Climate Action (VIC)

Location
VIC

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19824

Primary Category
Environment

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Business
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
$10,000

Rounds
Closes **18 Feb 2026**

Purpose

The Coastcare Victoria Community Grants program supports community organisations to protect and enhance the coastal and near-shore marine environment.

Overview

The grants fund community-led environmental groups and organisations that deliver projects to support the community in caring for and acting for the marine and coastal environment.

Projects that align with one or more of the 2026 Coastcare Victoria Community Grants objectives:

- Championing Inclusivity - increasing the diversity of coastal stewardship and volunteering participants.
- Improving Capacity - coastal education, citizen science and engagement activities that build knowledge and understanding of climate change, sustainability and conservation.
- Increasing On-ground Actions - to conserve, restore, and protect the coastal environment.
- Strengthening Traditional Owners' Self-Determination - recognising their longstanding connection to Sea Country.

Funding up to $10,000 may be available.

Limitations

The following applicants are eligible:

- community-led environmental groups or networks
- non-government environment-focused organisations
- Registered Aboriginal Parties (RAPs)
- Aboriginal groups or organisations
- Committees of Management (excluding Local Government)

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- educational and research institutions, including schools and universities (recommended to partner with a local coastal volunteer group and/or align with the Coastcare Victoria Schools Kit).

All applicants must meet the following financial governance requirements:

- Registration/Incorporation via one of the following:
    - Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission; OR
    - Consumer Affairs Victoria/other state incorporating agency; OR
    - Crown Land (Reserves) Act 1978; OR
    - Registered Victorian Aboriginal Party
    - an Educational Institution
- Insurances to cover the duration of the project:
    - Hold public liability insurance of at least $20 million; AND
    - Volunteer personal accident insurance

Applicants who are not eligible can still apply for funding but must operate under an Auspice organisation

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19824/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19824/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19824/apply
Email: Coastcare.Victoria@deeca.vic.gov.au **Phone:** 136 186

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Community Rivercare Program Funding

Funding Provider
Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions (DBCA) (WA)

Location
WA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19654

Primary Category
Environment

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
Amount: $3,000 to $100,000
Total Pool: Unknown

Rounds
Closes **6 Feb 2026 4pm**

Purpose

Grant funds through Community Rivercare Program Round 9 will be available for one and two- year projects to enable on ground works by community groups.

Overview

Grants of between $3,000 and $100,000 (ex GST) in total for the duration of the project will be provided to community volunteer groups to conserve the natural, cultural, and social amenity values of the rivers, tributaries and urban drains within the Swan Canning Catchment.

This will be achieved through projects that deliver:

- Habitat improvement for birds and/or other species dependent on waterways.
- Foreshore revegetation and weed control.
- Weed control to promote natural regeneration.
- Bank stabilisation to repair or prevent foreshore erosion.
- Water quality improvement.

Projects must be in the Swan Canning Catchment or other catchments that feed into the Swan and Canning rivers. It is strongly recommended that applications are submitted online via the SmartyGrants portal: Community Rivercare Program Round 9. For alternative application methods please email rivers.systems@dbca.wa.gov.au

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Limitations

Eligible applicants:

- Community groups with a volunteer base.
- Not-for-profit Natural Resource Management (NRM) groups with a community volunteer base.

Community groups must be incorporated or sponsored (under an auspicing arrangement) by another group or organisation that will administer their grant funding (see section 13 for more information about sponsorship).

Government agencies, educational institutions, businesses, land managers or landowners may participate by forming partnerships with community groups and contributing to projects.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Mail, Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19654/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19654/guidelines

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19654/apply
Email: rivers.systems@dbca.wa.gov.au **Phone:** (08) 9278 0900

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Conservation Partners Program

Funding Provider
Biodiversity Conservation Trust

Location
NSW

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19441

Primary Category
Environment

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Business

Funding
Amount: $2,000 to $30,000 (approx)
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Conservation Partners Grants provide financial assistance to landholders in managing their conservation area, allowing them to improve the biodiversity value of their properties.

Overview

Landholders with an eligible agreement can generally apply at any time for a conservation partners grant, however BCT regions may specify a period each year when applications for grants will be accepted or assessed.

Grants are available under the perennial opportunities.

The following activities are eligible:

- assisted regeneration and weed control (as part of assisted regeneration strategy)
- fencing to secure conservation area, control grazing from livestock, to enable restoration of native vegetation
- introduced pest animal control
- revegetation (including supplementary planting)
- habitat restoration-such as installation of nest boxes and artificial hollows, or additional ground cover layer and habitat structure
- Saving our Species management actions
- other maintenance-such as repairs to existing features required to maintain conservation values
- native vegetation restoration planning to guide assisted regeneration or revegetation
- project / grant management by third party(s)

Works already completed or funded from another source will not be eligible for a grant.

Funding Levels:

There are three levels of funding available:

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1. Up to $15,000 per year for up to three (3) years for landholders with eligible in-perpetuity agreements (conservation agreements, Trust Agreements, Registered Property Agreements).
2. Up to $8,000 per year for up to three (3) years for landholders with a term Registered Property Agreement.
3. Up to $2,000 per year for up to three years for landholders with a wildlife refuge agreement or who are members of the Wildlife Land Trust.

In-perpetuity agreements greater than 1,000 ha in size may be eligible for up to $30,000 per year for up to three (3) years.

Limitations

Eligibility

Eligibility for this program depends on your property's size, and the type and condition of flora and fauna.

See guidelines for specific eligibility information.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19441/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19441/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19441/apply
Email: info@bct.nsw.gov.au **Phone:** 1300 992 688

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DRIVEN Charger Rebate Stream

Funding Provider
Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water (DCCEEW)

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G16114

Primary Category
Environment

Eligible to
Business

Funding
Amount: $2,500 to $21,000
Total Pool: $60,000,000

Rounds
Closes **30 Apr 2026 5pm (ACT Local Time)**
Closes **30 Apr 2027**
Closes **30 Apr 2028**

Last Round
Closed **30 Apr 2025**

Purpose

The DRIVEN Charger Rebate Stream grant opportunity will provide $60 million for EV chargers to car dealerships and repairers including regional and remote areas.

Overview

The objectives of the program are to:

- support automotive businesses selling passenger and light commercial vehicles and their role in decarbonising the transport sector through:
    - selling and repairing a higher proportion of EVs in response to the New Vehicle Efficiency Standard Act 2024 (Cth)
    - increasing awareness and knowledge of EVs and EV charging technologies for staff and customers.
- support the automotive sector by:
    - distributing appropriate funding to as many eligible businesses as possible
    - supporting the timely deployment of charging solutions to meet the immediate needs of the sector.
- The intended outcomes of the program are:
    - a supported Australian automotive sector as it transitions to selling and repairing more EVs
    - increased uptake of EVs, including regional and remote areas by providing more EV charging stations
    - reduced transport emissions to assist in achieving Australia's economy-wide net zero emissions target by 2050.

The DRIVEN Charger Rebate Stream 2025 to 2028 will provide up to $40 million for EV charging units to dealerships and EV repairers.

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The intended outcomes of the DRIVEN Charger Rebate Stream are:

- increased number of EVs on the roads
- reduced upfront cost of installing EV charging units at dealerships and EV repairers
- distributed funding to as many eligible automotive businesses as possible across Australia.

Limitations

Eligibility:

You can apply if you:

- have an Australian business number (ABN)
- have an account with an Australian financial institution
- are an entity, incorporated in Australia.

You must also be one of the following:

- a licenced motor dealer/trader
- a service centre associated with a licenced motor dealer/trader
- an automotive repair business, compliant with Australian Standards 5732:202 2 (EV operations - maintenance and repair) and which has at least one current member of staff suitably qualified to undertake work on EVs.

You can't apply if you are:

- any organisation not included in eligible entities listed above
- a business operating out of a residential premises
- an organisation, or your project partner is an organisation, included on the National Redress Scheme's list of Institutions that have not joined or signified their intent to join the Scheme.
- an employer of 100 or more employees that has not complied with the Workplace Gender Equality Act (2012).

To be eligible for a rebate, you must:

- have purchased and installed at least one eligible smart EV charger(s) at an eligible site (listed in section 4.2 of the grant opportunity guidelines) on or after 26 March 2024, or
- purchased a portable DC EV charging unit with a minimum expenditure of $2,500.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G16114/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G16114/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G16114/apply
Email: DRIVENrebate@industry.gov.au **Phone:** 13 28 46

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Environmental Grants and Support

Funding Provider
Patagonia

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G07448

Primary Category
Environment

Eligible to
Not-for-Profit

Funding
Amount: $5,000 to $20,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **1 May 2026**

Last Round
Closed **29 Oct 2024**

Purpose

Patagonia supports local groups working to protect local habitat, and think the individual battles to protect a specific stand of forest, stretch of river or indigenous wild species are the most effective in raising more complicated issues—particularly those of biodiversity and ecosystem protection—in the public mind.

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Overview

Patagonia support innovative work that addresses the root causes of the environmental crisis and seeks to protect both the environment and affected communities. We focus on places where we've built connections through outdoor recreation and through our network of retail stores, nationally and internationally.

They believe local battles to protect a specific stand of forest, a stretch of river, an indigenous wild species or a community from a polluting refinery build public support and confront larger, more complex issues like climate change, biodiversity loss and environmental justice.

They encourage work that brings underrepresented communities to the forefront of the environmental movement and defends communities whose health and livelihoods are threatened by environmental exploitation.

Patagonia support multipronged campaigns that push for greater environmental protections and force the government to abide by its own laws.

Patagonia accept one proposal per group in a given fiscal year **(May 1–April 30)**, with deadlines varying from program to program. Our typical grant size also varies from program to program, but generally ranges between $5,000 USD and $20,000 USD.

While applications are closed for FY26, if you are interested in Patagonia's grants program and you would like to share with us some information about your project or campaign for FY27, please fill in this survey. If your organisation is deemed eligible for funding, you will then receive an invitation to apply for a grant.

If you have any questions about the grants program more broadly and would like to chat to our grants team, please email grants@patagonia.com.au.

Limitations

Patagonia will fund work that:

- builds an equitable, inclusive and diverse environmental movement
- confronts systemic bias, discrimination and injustice in environmental policy or outdoor spaces
- is action-oriented
- focuses on root causes
- has a clear strategy
- identifies specific goals and objectives that can be effectively measured to evaluate success
- builds public involvement and civic engagement
- takes places within the following countries: Argentina, Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Chile, Czechia, Denmark, France, Germany, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Korea, Luxembourg, The Netherlands, Norway, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, the United Kingdom and the United States.

They do not fund:

- organisations that perpetuate systemic biases and discrimination based on ethnicity, race, religion, color, sexual orientation, gender, gender identity, age, national origin, ancestry, citizenship or veteran or disability status
- organisations without 501(c)(3) status or a comparable fiscal sponsor
- trail creation, maintenance or restoration
- any dam renovations, human-assisted fish passage infrastructure or hatchery programs
- conservation easements or land acquisition
- research, unless it is in direct support of a developed plan for specific action to alleviate an environmental problem
- projects that are solely focused on environmental education
- environmental conferences, event sponsorships or film festivals
- endowment funds
- political campaigns
- green building projects
- bike advocacy, unless the project is in direct support of a climate change solution

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G07448/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G07448/apply
Email: contact@patagonia.com.au **Phone:** 1800 326 889

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Food Rescue Rebates

Funding Provider
NSW Environment Protection Authority (EPA)

Location
NSW

Funding Type
Cash Grant G15503

Primary Category
Environment

Eligible to
Not-for-Profit

Funding
$2,000
Total Pool: $800,000

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The NSW Environment Protection Authority (EPA) is working to reduce good quality food suitable for human consumption from being disposed to landfill.

Overview

The objectives of this rebate program are to:

- increase the diversion (i.e. rescue) of quality food suitable for human consumption from landfill
- support NSW food rescue and relief organisations to expand their capacity to manage increasing amounts of rescued food to provide to the community
- provide a simplified funding alternative for small food rescue and relief projects.

Eligible applicants can submit an application for funding up to $2,000 (inc. GST) per financial year, per eligible address. Rebates will be available until either:

- 30 June 2027;
- when funding is expended; or
- at the EPA's discretion

Limitations

Eligible applicants must:

1. be a Food Rescue and/or Food Relief Organisation operating in NSW
2. have an active Australian Business Number (ABN) for at least six months
3. be a not-for-profit organisation registered on https://www.acnc.gov.au/charity/charities
4. have an active website or social media page showing rescued food activities
5. be operating from an eligible address listed on https://askizzy.org.au/ under food support
6. be using the purchased item(s) at an eligible address that has not already received this rebate in the current financial year.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G15503/info

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G15503/apply
Email: organics.grants@epa.nsw.gov.au

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Future Made in Australia Innovation Fund

Funding Provider
Australian Renewable Energy Agency (ARENA)

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19841

Primary Category
Environment

Eligible to
- University
- State Govt
- Business
- Local Govt

Funding
$750,000,000
Total Pool: $1500,000,000

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Future Made in Australia (FMA) Innovation Fund administered by ARENA will provide up to $1.5 billion in grant funding to support pre-commercial innovation, demonstration and deployment of renewable energy and low emission technologies, to support Australia's transition to a net zero economy.

Overview

FMA is an ongoing program which will remain open until funding is exhausted or ARENA closes the Program. Successful projects are expected to achieve one or more of the following Program Outcomes:

- increase uptake of the Technologies through innovation and commercialisation activities.
- improve Australia's capability and capacity to produce or manufacture the Technologies.
- support and/or contribute to stronger supply chains to enable increased use of the Technologies.
- improve knowledge, skills and/or workforce participation associated with the Technologies.

The FMA Innovation Fund launched in December 2025 and will be an ongoing, open program. Grant funding will be available across three Priorities (the Priorities):

- $750 million to Green Metals including iron, steel, alumina and aluminium.
- Initial tranche of $200 million to Renewable Energy Technology Manufacturing (RETM) to enable development of technologies seeking to alleviate critical supply chain challenges facing the clean energy transition.
- $250 million to Low Carbon Liquid Fuels (LCLF) including sustainable aviation fuels and renewable diesel.

Limitations

The Eligibility Criteria are outlined in Part 2 of the Program Guidelines.

Applicants should contact ARENA to discuss their proposal and to seek endorsement to apply.To commence this process start by contacting ARENA at: https://arenanet.arena.gov.au/s/funding-advice

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19841/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19841/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19841/apply
Email: grantconnect@arena.gov.au

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Green Iron Investment Fund - National Development Stream

Funding Provider
Department of Industry, Science and Resources

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19112

Primary Category
Environment

Eligible to
Business

Funding
Total Pool: $500,000,000 (approx)

Rounds
Closes **17 Feb 2026**

Purpose

The Green Iron Investment Fund provides at least $500 million to support early movers with the upfront costs of capital works.

Overview

The Green Iron Investment Fund - National Development Stream provides at least $500 million in funding to applicants around Australia. The grant funding will be accessible for both existing facilities and greenfield projects that can supercharge Australia's world-leading iron ore industry by adding more value right here.

The objectives of the grant opportunity are to:

- de-risk early mover capital investments in Australian commercial scale green iron production capability
- crowd-in private investment for a strong green iron industry
- create economic benefits, jobs and spillovers associated with a strong green iron industry
- achieve community benefits, in line with the Future Made in Australia Community Benefit Principles.

The intended outcomes of the grant opportunity are to:

- transform Australia's national, regional and/or local economies by establishing or transitioning commercial green iron production capability - including up and down stream industrial capabilities
- contribute to emissions reduction in the steel value chain, in line with global and domestic decarbonisation ambitions.

Limitations

You can apply if you:

- have an Australian business number (ABN)
- are registered for the Goods and Services Tax (GST)

And are one of the following entities:

- an entity, incorporated in Australia
- a company limited by guarantee
- an incorporated trustee on behalf of a trust (where your trading activities form a sufficiently significant proportion of the corporation's overall activities as to merit it being described as a trading corporation; or are a substantial and not merely peripheral activity of the corporation).

You can't apply if you are:

- an organisation, or your project partner is an organisation, included on the National Redress Scheme's list of Institutions that have not joined or signified their intent to join the Scheme
- an employer of 100 or more employees that has not complied with the Workplace Gender Equality Act (2012)
- income tax exempt
- an individual
- a Regional Development Australia Committee
- an unincorporated association
- any organisation not included in section 4.1 of the grant opportunity guidelines
- a trust (however, an incorporated trustee may apply on behalf of a trust)
- a Commonwealth, state, territory or local government body (including government business enterprises)
- a non-corporate Commonwealth entity.

Partner with other organisations

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You can partner with one or more other organisations, but the lead applicant must meet all the eligibility criteria. You must decide who the lead organisation is.

The lead organisation must fill out the application form.

If we give your group the grant, the lead organisation:

- signs the grant agreement
- is responsible for making sure your group follows the rules in the grant agreement.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19112/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19112/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19112/apply
Phone: 13 28 46

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HATCH: Taronga Accelerator Program

Funding Provider
Taronga Conservation Society Australia

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Scholarship S05732

Primary Category
Environment

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Business
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
$50,000

Rounds
Closes **26 Jan 2026**

Purpose

The HATCH Accelerator Program is designed to help ecopreneurs take their idea from vision to reality.

Overview

The Hatch: Taronga Accelerator Program, supported by LG, is designed to help ecopreneurs take their idea from vision to reality. If you are a not-for-profit, startup or social enterprise founder with a venture that will drive positive change for wildlife, biodiversity and the environment, then we are here to support you.

We have an amazing network of mentors and experts who can help you bring your vision to life and reach your goals sooner. And at the end of the program one team will receive the $50,000 Hatch Grant!

The Accelerator Program provides participating teams with $30,000 worth of value per team at little cost. This is a fantastic opportunity for early-stage startups and includes:

- $2,000 funding for each initiative participating in the program (at zero equity);
- A blended approach of face-to-face workshops, online sessions and digital modules to provide you with the knowledge to develop your initiative;
- Flights and accommodation for participants, and;
- Expert learning, guidance and support from mentors and subject matter experts including Taronga experts, industry professionals, and not-for-profit and social enterprise leaders.
- Participating teams also have the opportunity to receive up to $50,000 equity-free funding at the final Pitch Event to bring your brilliant initiative to life!

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05732/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05732/apply
Email: hatch@zoo.nsw.gov.au

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Hamer Sprout Fund

Funding Provider
Australian Communities Foundation

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G15764

Primary Category
Environment

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
$10,000
Total Pool: $25,000

Rounds
Closes **30 Sep 2026**

Last Round
Closed **30 Sep 2025**

Purpose

The mission of the Hamer Sprout Fund is “to build communities inspired to take action for a sustainable future”. These grants are provided as an incentive to new or established groups to develop initiatives that achieve this aim.

Overview

The objective of the Hamer Sprout Fund is to support projects and organisations that:

- Promote innovation in environmental education;
- Facilitate engagement in environmental action;
- Advocate for environmental sustainability; or
- Foster collaboration between young people engaged in environmental leadership.

Available funding

A total of $25,000 is available for the Sprout Grants each year. Up to $5,000 is available per project, however more (up to $10,000) may be awarded in exceptional circumstances.

Groups or individuals may submit more than one application if they have a number of eligible projects.

Closing date

The closing date for Hamer Sprout Fund Grant applications is 30 September each year. The Sprout Fund committee will endeavour to respond to all applicants within two months.

Limitations

Eligibility

You are eligible for a Sprout Grant if you are:

- An individual, organisation and/or community group.
- Not-for-profit.
- Offering activities, programs, projects and events to the general community without discrimination or restriction.
- Demonstrating some level of fundraising and financial contribution to your activities, programs, projects and events (which may include financial or in-kind assistance that might be obtained from other parties in the form of support or sponsorship).
- Tax deductible - Grants can only be made to charitable entities which are endorsed by the Australian Taxation Office (ATO) as having "Deductible Gift Recipients" (DGR) AND Tax Concession Charity (TCC) status. The requirements for DGR status are set by the ATO. For more information about DGR and TCC status see www.ato.gov.au/nonprofit. An organisation's name or ABN can be used to search the Australian Government's online Australian Business Register to check details of its DGR and TCC endorsements - http://www.abr.business.gov.au

Ineligible

- A registered business and / or profit making organisation.
- Seeking retrospective funding for activities, programs, projects and events that have already started or have been completed.
- Requesting funding that would otherwise be covered by insurance.

Successful grant recipients are required to:

- Commit to fully expending their grant within the agreed time frame;

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- Use allocated funds only for the purposes outlined in the agreement, unless consent is given by the Sprout Fund for variations.
- Provide an evaluation of the project, outlining what has been achieved;
- Appropriately acknowledge the Hamer Sprout Fund's support in all promotional material and information that relates to the grant-funded project;
- Adhere to the principles of access and equity at all times.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G15764/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G15764/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G15764/apply
Email: thehamersproutfund@gmail.com

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High Emitting Industries Grant

Funding Provider
Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water (DCCEEW) (NSW)

Location
NSW

Funding Type
Cash Grant G16281

Primary Category
Environment

Eligible to
Business

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **31 Dec 2026**

Purpose

The Net Zero Industry and Innovation Program is the NSW Governments plan to support and partner with industry to reduce emissions and help NSW businesses prosper in a low carbon world. High emitting industries (HEI) is a key focus area of the program.

Overview

To help industries shift to net zero and deliver significant emissions reduction by 2030, funding assistance for decarbonisation projects will be provided.

Two types of projects, pre-deployment and deployment, will be supported under HEI funding to accelerate adoption or to implement technically ready decarbonisation opportunities.

By 30 June 2030 all:

- pre-deployment projects must be completed
- deployment projects must be fully commissioned and operational.

Limitations

Eligibility

The applicant must:

- have an Australian Business Number (ABN)
- confirm that they are an Australian entity duly incorporated under the Corporations Act 2001 (Cth). Hold and comply with all necessary authorisations that are material to the conduct of the business of the applicant
- be classified under the Australian and New Zealand Standard Industrial Classification (ANZSIC) codes of manufacturing or mining
- hold all insurances required by law, including public liability insurance and workers compensation
- materially comply with all:
    - obligations under employment contracts, industrial agreements and awards

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- codes of conduct and practice relevant to conditions of service and to the relations between the applicant and the applicant's employees – applicable Workplace Health and Safety legislation.
- not be subject to any insolvency event, including the subject of an order or resolution for winding up or dissolution (other than for the purposes of reconstruction or amalgamation) or the appointment of a receiver, liquidator, administer or similar
- not be listed on the Australian Government Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade sanctions consolidated list
- disclose any legal proceedings or investigations, including litigation, arbitration, mediation, or conciliation taking place, pending or (to the best of the applicant's knowledge, after having made proper enquiry) threatened against you or a related body corporate (as defined in the Corporations Act) (Claims) to the extent that such Claims either:
    - affects, could affect, or be perceived to affect, the reputation of the State of New South Wales (including its officers, Ministers and employees)
    - conflicts with, may conflict with, or be perceived to conflict with the potential funding or your obligations under the funding agreement or project more generally –
    - relates to an Authority investigating the applicant's compliance with any law, regulation or legislation
    - relate or arise from any issues relating to Environmental Protection Licences issued through the NSW Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) impacts (materially or otherwise) the applicant's ability to comply with its obligations under the funding agreement or to complete the project.
- agree to comply with any further requests for information by the office
- disclose all Australian state government, territory government and Commonwealth Government grants applied for in relation to the project, including applications made over the last 5 years (including both successful and unsuccessful applications)
- be the legal and beneficial owner of, or have all necessary rights to use and licence, any intellectual property necessary to carry out the project
- have a public commitment to decarbonise the facility from the executive/board level.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G16281/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G16281/guidelines

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G16281/apply
Email: emissionsreduction@environment.nsw. gov.au

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Home Energy Support - Rebates for Homeowners

Funding Providers
Chief Minister, Treasury & Economic Development Directorate (ACT)
Transport Canberra and City Services
Environment, Planning and Sustainable Development Directorate (ACT)

Location
ACT

Funding Type
Rebate U00440

Primary Category
Environment

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$5,000

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Home Energy Support Program provides rebates for eligible homeowners to help with the upfront costs of installing energy-efficient products.

Overview

The Home Energy Support Program provides up to $5,000 in rebates for eligible homeowners to help with the upfront costs of installing energy-efficient products. This includes:

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A. one rebate of 50% of the total installation price, up to $2,500, for rooftop solar
B. one rebate of 50% of the total installation price, up to $2,500, for:
    - reverse cycle heating and cooling
    - hot water heat pumps
    - electric stove tops and ovens
    - ceiling insulation

You can choose from two options to pay for your installations:

Option 1 – Rebate only, with the remaining costs paid using your own funds.

- The ACT Government will process your rebate.
- You pay the supplier for your upgrade/s.

Option 2 – Rebate and interest-free loan - for more information please see the Funding Centre listing here

Limitations

To be eligible for a rebate, you must:

- be a resident of the ACT
- hold an Australian Government Pensioner Concession Card, Department of Veterans' Affairs Gold Card, or an Australian Government Health Care Card.
- own and live in the home where the product will be installed
- have attended a free online Everyday Climate Choices workshop (a session that shows you how to apply and helps you with your choices).
- have an **Unimproved Value (UV)** at or below:
    - $750,000 at the time of application in any year from 2022 for freestanding homes/units and dual occupancies. For unit titled freestanding properties this is based on the unit entitlement percentage.
    - $300,000 in any year from 2022 for unit titled multi-story apartments.

*Please note that a Commonwealth Seniors Health Card is not an eligible concession card.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00440/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00440/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00440/apply
Email: SustainableHomeAdviceProgram@act.gov.au **Phone:** 1300 141 777

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Integrated Water Management grants

Funding Provider
Department of Energy, Environment and Climate Action (VIC)

Location
VIC

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19612

Primary Category
Environment

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Business

Funding
$2,500,000

Rounds
Closes **16 Feb 2026**

Purpose

The Integrated Water Management (IWM) Grant Program 2025-28 is designed to accelerate the adoption of integrated and sustainable water management practices across Victoria.

Overview

Through targeted investment and support, the program aims to foster collaboration, innovation, and equity in water-related projects that deliver environmental, cultural, and community benefits. The program is structured around 3 distinct funding streams. It enables IWM Forum Partners, including local governments, Traditional Owners, Catchment

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Management Authorities (CMAs) and water corporations, to apply for funding to deliver projects as part of the goal of embedding IWM as standard practice throughout Victoria. The IWM Grant Program 2025-28 is tailored to support a range of project types through 3 targeted funding streams:

- IWM Partnership Projects (metropolitan and regional)
- Traditional Owner-led IWM Projects
- Strategic Directed Investments.

Limitations

The lead applicant must:

- be a member organisation of a metropolitan IWM Forum
- be an incorporated body, cooperative or association (including business associations)
- be financially solvent
- have the capacity to manage the grant funding directly, including any procurement (e.g. consultancies or works).

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19612/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19612/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19612/apply
Email: grantsinfo@deeca.vic.gov.au

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Land Management Incentive Program

Funding Provider
Nillumbik Shire Council

Location
Nillumbik

Funding Type
Cash Grant G11327

Primary Category
Environment

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
$10,000
Total Pool: $60,000

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Nillumbik Shire Council's Land Management Incentive Program (LMIP) offers incentive grants for sustainable land management activities that have positive environmental outcomes, threatened species conservation and/or improved and sustainable land productivity outcomes.

Overview

Project activities may include weed control, revegetation, indigenous seed collection, works for threatened species conservation, rabbit control, fox control, deer control, pasture management, sustainable/regenerative agriculture enhancements, environment and land management education, and biodiversity or exclusion fencing.

Please note that Council is not currently accepting LMIP applications that involve the use of firearms, pending a review of potential risks.

Grants offered

A maximum grant of up to $2,000 is available per (eligible) single property, or up to $10,000 for a community led cross-tenure or landscape-scale initiative.

A 50% (matching) co-contribution of funds, materials or in-kind labour will usually be required.

Council officers can help you assess your land management options and priorities, and help you apply for the grant.

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Limitations

Eligible applicants:

- Private landowners or landholders
- Community groups including, for example: Landcare; rabbit, fox action groups; environment groups, other community clubs and groups.

The applicant must display a commitment to ongoing good land management practices in order to be eligible for funding.

Eligible properties:

To be eligible, your property must be:

- Located within the Shire of Nillumbik; and
- Located within the Green Wedge Zone, Rural Conservation Zone, or have an Environmental Significance Overlay
- Other locations by exception, for example at sites with cultural heritage significance

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G11327/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G11327/guidelines

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G11327/apply
Email: grants@nillumbik.vic.gov.au **Phone:** 03 9433 3207

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Landcare Action Grants 2026

Funding Provider
Tasmanian Landcare Association

Location
TAS

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19695

Primary Category
Environment

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
Amount: $5,000 to $20,000
Total Pool: $240,000

Rounds
Closes **31 Jan 2026**

Purpose

Landcare Tasmania's devolved grants program is designed to support community-based landcare through small to medium-scale project funding for community care groups and landcaring land managers (Landcare Tasmania members).

Overview

This round, "Landcare Action Grants 2026: Protecting, Enhancing, and Maintaining Tasmania's Natural Values" will provide $240,000 for on-ground projects targeting member-driven projects that protect, enhance, and maintain high conservation value areas, while also aligning with at least one of the overall State Government Landcare Action Grant Objectives:

- Improve landscape and riverine health, stability and resilience;
- Support enhanced land management practices to reduce erosion and sedimentation;
- Assist the community to holistically manage natural and productive land and waterways across the landscape.

Grants Available:

- The preferred project funding amount is $5,000 to $20,000 (ex. GST) per project, with up to $40,000 (ex. GST) available for exceptional projects as determined by the assessment panel.
- Funding for larger projects will be paid in up to 3 milestones, with a progress report required for payment of each milestone.
- Successful projects must address the criteria outlined in section 5.
- Supported activities include weed control, fencing, invasive species management and other activities deemed essential for the protection, enhancement, and maintenance of high conservation value areas.

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Limitations

To be eligible to apply for the grant, **you must be a member** of Landcare Tasmania. Eligible applicants include all types of Landcare Tasmania members:

Eligible entities include the following:

- Community groups
- Individual
- Associate

Please note that if you are a member of a Community Care Group, the application will need to be submitted by the Community Care Group, unless you hold an individual or associate membership. Any application submitted by a non-member will not be considered.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19695/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19695/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19695/apply
Email: support@landcaretas.org.au **Phone:** 03 6234 7117

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Liveable Communities, Liveable Waterways Program

Funding Provider
Melbourne Water

Location
VIC

Funding Type
Cash Grant G10306

Primary Category
Environment

Eligible to
- School
- Not-for-Profit
- University
- Individual
- Local Govt
- Business
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Liveable Communities, Liveable Waterways has a strong focus on innovation, liveability and collaboration across all areas of water management.

Overview

Liveable Communities, Liveable Waterways is Melbourne Water's new streamlined and flexible incentives program. Liveable Communities, Liveable Waterways allows for increased partnership opportunities with our customers and the community on a broader range of initiatives that contribute to enhancing life and liveability across Melbourne.

The program is open to all Melbourne Water customers and provides greater access to a broader range of services offered by Melbourne Water.

Melbourne Water has a proud history of Incentives Programs which have fostered meaningful and long-lasting partnerships. Through Liveable Communities, Liveable Waterways Melbourne Water will continue to work closely with their existing partners and also target new additional partnership opportunities.

How much money can I apply for?

Based on experience, Melbourne Water have a good understanding of what is an industry benchmark cost to undertake a range of activities. Where published benchmarks exist (for example fencing) they will use these to guide what funding you will get and where these benchmarks don't exist they will base it on quotes.

Guiding Principles

- Provide multiple community and/or environmental benefit through application of best practice.
- Engage with our customers and community and inform them of our purpose and strategic direction.
- Have clear alignment with our strategies and services. For example Melbourne Water System, Sewerage, Drinking Water Quality, Flood Management, Healthy Waterways, Environmental Stewardship.

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- Demonstrate collaboration to provide greater value beyond what can be achieved by Melbourne Water alone.
- Innovative projects that can be widely adopted (not required for all applications).

Program Themes

Melbourne Water are looking for projects and longer term partnerships that provide value to Melbourne Water, their customers, partners and community by aligning with at least one of the following themes:

- ***Connected Habitat and Catchments***
  - Works that focus on waterway and biodiversity protection aligned with with one or more of Melbourne Water's strategies. To find out more on the Melbourne Water Strategies, visit our website www.melbournewater.com.au/about/strategiesand-reports
- ***Integrated Water Management (IWM)***
  - Enablers Initiatives ranging from precinct to regional scale that facilitate multi-partner IWM, influence industry and address existing barriers to implementation.
- ***Science, Innovation and Technology***
  - Research and technology that can support best practice management and improve how Melbourne Water and our partners work together.
- ***Liveable cities***
  - Local projects that support one or more of the following: healthy waterways, green open spaces and resilient urban landscapes and deliver community and environmental benefits.

The funder encourages you to discuss your proposed idea before applying.

Limitations

Who can apply

To be eligible for consideration, your project or proposal must be located within Melbourne Water's operating area. This includes landowners, councils and public land managers, schools, community groups, universities and research institutions, multi-partner projects and collaborative groups.

Your organisation needs to be an ABN registered group or business or incorporated entity. If you do not meet these requirements you may want to consider entering into an auspice arrangement with an appropriate Auspice agency.

Applications will be accepted from groups who are incorporated through Landcare Victoria Limited. Your proposal must also align with our guiding principles and themes which can be found below. Limitations You cannot apply for funding if you have failed to complete and report on previous projects to the satisfaction of Melbourne Water.

Examples of activities not eligible for funding

- Works that would alter the form of the waterway, for example creating a pool in a creek.
- Waterway or streamside fencing that is less than 10m from top of bank.
- Funding towards compliance activity or rectification associated with illegal works.
- Funding for the delivery of works which form part of the conditions of a planning permit or permit application.

Unsure if your activity is eligible? Contact Melbourne Water on 131 722 to speak to an Incentives Team Member.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G10306/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G10306/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G10306/apply
Email: incentives@melbournewater.com.au **Phone:** 131 722

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Native Vegetation Heritage Agreement Grants Program

Funding Provider
Department for Environment and Water (SA)

Location
SA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G12975

Primary Category
Environment

Eligible to
- Individual
- Business

Funding
Total Pool: $6,000,000

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The South Australian Government is providing $6 million to support existing Heritage Agreements and to enable new Heritage Agreements.

Overview

Supporting landowners in maintaining and enhancing these areas is critical to building ecological resilience to climate change.

A Native Vegetation Heritage Agreement is a conservation area on private land, established between the landholder and the Minister for Climate, Environment and Water on recommendation of the Native Vegetation Council (NVC), which contributes to protecting and/or restoring indigenous biodiversity.

Limitations

To be eligible for an incentive grant, you must:

- own land fee simple, dedicated Crown Land or leased Crown Land
- have land that meets the requirements for a Heritage Agreement, refer Heritage Agreement Policy e.g.:
    - contains native vegetation that warrants protection, and is
    - greater than 3 hectares and supports common species or communities, or
    - greater than 1 hectare and contains or provides habitat for rare, threatened or vulnerable species or communities
- propose activities to protect or improve biodiversity on the land
- have not received funding to undertake the same activities from another source, or are not required to conduct the same activities through another arrangement, e.g. offsetting
- have no outstanding matters with the Department for Environment and Water or NVC, that is, there are no outstanding conditions related to previous funding agreements
- enter into a Heritage Agreement within 6 weeks of receiving the documentation.
- seek approval under section 22(6)(c) of the Pastoral Act (will be required for any projects on pastoral land). We can assist you with this process if your grant is recommended by the NVC.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Email, Online, Phone
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G12975/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G12975/guidelines

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G12975/apply
Email: NVC.haprogam@sa.gov.au **Phone:** 8303 9777

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Participation (CEO) Grants

Funding Provider
Energy Consumers Australia

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G10781

Primary Category
Environment

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Business

Funding
$15,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Participation grants will support and accommodate advocates engagement in government processes, regulatory and policy reviews, and projects targeting the energy sector as a whole.

Overview

Funding of up to $15,000 (ex-GST) is provided to support and accommodate advocate engagement in government, regulatory and or industry decision making processes, recognising the need for consumers to respond within short timeframes.

They will support and accommodate advocates engagement and decision making in:

- government;
- regulatory and policy reviews; and
- the energy sector as a whole.

Limitations

Eligibility criteria;

To be eligible applicants must be a not-for-profit organisation, with a purpose or mandate that permits them to be an advocate for residential and small business energy consumers, or a bona fide research organisation with a public purpose. The proposed project must demonstrate how it will build knowledge and/or sectoral capacity supporting policy development and consumer education in the National Energy Market.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G10781/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G10781/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G10781/apply
Email: grants@energyconsumersaustralia.com.au

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Project Concepts

Funding Provider
Natural Hazards Research Australia

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19849

Primary Category
Environment

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- State Govt
- Business
- Local Govt

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **20 Feb 2026**

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Purpose

The Centre welcomes submissions of project ideas for potential inclusion in our research program. Ideas can be for short-, medium- or long-term projects that can be effectively used.

Overview

Natural Hazards Research Australia (the Centre) is Australia's research centre for natural hazard resilience and disaster risk reduction. The Centre works closely with the Australian Government and other stakeholders across Australia to deliver a strategic research agenda for the nation.

Natural hazards include bushfire, flood, cyclone, heatwave, storm, inundation and coastal erosion caused by sea level rise, earthquake, tsunami and landslide.

The Centre's mission is to work with partners and the community on research that is useful, actionable and supportive of better decision making to save lives and protect communities. The Centre will generate and support research that is useful, usable and used by the sector and community. As such, the Centre welcomes submissions of project concepts for potential inclusion in our research program. Ideas can be short-, medium- or long-term projects.

The Centre's research plan is outlined in a rolling *Biennial Research Plan*. These plans are reviewed annually to make sure the Centre is responding to new knowledge needs. Each *Biennial Research Plan* outlines the Centre's key research focus areas.

The current *Biennial Research Plan* covers the research for the second half of 2025 through to 2027 and is available to download under 'corporate resources' on the Centre's website.

Limitations

Research concepts must be submitted by representatives of one of the Centre's Participants: organisations or entities that have been contracted through a Participant Agreement with the Centre. See below for a list of Participant organisations.

The Centre encourages submitting Participants to build collaborations with other organisations across multiple states and territories to demonstrate the national significance of the concept.

Note: The Centre does not accept project concepts submitted by research organisations.

Non-participants

For organisations that are not a Participant please contact the Centre about the Centre's commissioned research program, or about how to become a Participant via email at research@naturalhazards.com.au

Concepts that cover areas related to First Nations peoples, cultures and knowledges must demonstrate partnership and endorsement from relevant First Nations representatives, organisations and/or community members.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19849/info

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19849/apply
Email: research@naturalhazards.com.au

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Purves Environmental Fund Grants

Funding Provider
Purves Environmental Fund (PEF)

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G12273

Primary Category
Environment

Eligible to
Not-for-Profit

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

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Purpose

The Purves Environmental Fund enables and empowers others to work together to achieve meaningful impact in the areas of environmental sustainability and biodiversity.

Overview

They do this by granting funds which:

- Act as catalyst to change
- Fill gaps in effecting change
- Break down barriers to action
- Support creation of new thinking and practice
- Provide bold leadership
- Encourage participation of stakeholders

PEF establish core areas to support and these focus areas are reviewed periodically. Below are their current focus areas.

- Degradation of key biodiversity habitat
- Unsustainable management of natural resources
- Pollution

To apply

All interested applicants must complete an Expression of Interest (EOI) prior to proceeding to an application. EOIs must be submitted online. Applications are open throughout the year.

Your application for funding will be considered by the Fund's board. The Board meets four times a year and you will be notified of the decision within two weeks of the meeting.

Funding

Please note that there is no minimal or maximum limitation and funding is guided by the application.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G12273/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G12273/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G12273/apply
Email: envirooffi cer@purvesenvirofund.org.au

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Renewable Energy Project Loan

Funding Provider
Citizens Own Renewable Energy Network Australia (CORENA)

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Low Or No-interest Loan U00357

Primary Category
Environment

Eligible to
- School
- Not-for-Profit
- Business

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The CORENA Fund provides interest-free loans to help fund Quick Win climate projects anywhere in Australia in cases where the up-front capital cost is a barrier.

Overview

They offer project loans to non-profits, community organisations and social enterprises and will also consider businesses or cooperatives with a social or environmental purpose.

Examples of eligible projects:

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- Solar panels
- Energy audits
- Heating and cooling
- Lighting retrofits
- Energy monitoring
- Heat pump hot water systems
- Induction stovetops
- Heat pump space heating
- Cars & buses
- Delivery vehicles

CORENA encourages you to look at your energy use as a whole and apply for a combination of the above projects, potentially over a number of years, with the aim of becoming an all electric organisation.

Limitations

Eligible organisations

Non-profit organisations such as independent schools, community and neighbourhood centres, bowling clubs, sporting clubs, child care centres, aged care facilities, community housing cooperatives, social enterprises and office buildings are all usually great candidates for a carbon reduction project and a CORENA loan.

When you apply CORENA will check that you are;

- A well established organisations that is likely to continue operating for many years.
- An organisation that provides broad community benefit (eg. a church-run food bank is eligible, but a building used just for worship isn't).
- An organisation that is consistent with our ethical considerations (eg. a sports club that has poker machines is not eligible).
- An organisation where sourcing capital is a barrier to you implementing the project.

If the applicant is a religious organisation, the project must be for non-proselytising activities that provide tangible benefits to the general public.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online, Email
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00357/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00357/apply
Email: admin@corenafund.org.au

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Resource Recovery Boost Fund

Funding Provider
Department of Environment, Science and Innovation (QLD)

Location
QLD

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19396

Primary Category
Environment

Eligible to
Local Govt

Funding
Total Pool: $130,000,000

Rounds
Closes **29 Jan 2026 3pm**

Purpose

The $130 million Resource Recovery Boost Fund (RRBF) has been established to support Queensland councils to address key waste reduction and recycling priorities, establish critical resource recovery infrastructure, divert waste from household red bins to green and yellow bins, and increase recycling.

Overview

The objectives of Round 1 of the RRBF are to support projects that:

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- address local, regional and/or statewide waste management and resource recovery priorities, with a focus on initiatives that establish or enhance key recycling infrastructure
- contribute to Queensland's waste and resource recovery targets including diverting municipal solid waste from landfill and boosting recycling rates.

The first funding round will see **$60 million** made available to eligible applicants across two funding streams:

- Stream 1 (Small projects) - **$20 million** to support smaller-scale initiatives that provide waste management and/or resource recovery benefits at the local or regional scale. Individual project funding up to $2 million (excl GST) with projects to be delivered within 18 months of contract execution.
- Stream 2 (Major projects) - **$40 million** to support more substantial undertakings that offer resource recovery solutions and economic benefits on a regional or statewide scale. Individual project funding over $2 million (excl GST) with projects to be delivered within 3 years of contract execution.

Limitations

All Queensland councils, groups of councils constituting legal entities (e.g. Regional Organisations of Councils or Councils of Mayors), and entities established with the purpose of representing the interests of councils are eligible to apply. The Program guidelines support councils to work in partnership with other councils and the private sector to deliver projects that support regional priorities. Councils may participate in up to two projects within or across funding streams, as long as at least one of these projects is delivered through a partnership approach.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19396/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19396/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19396/apply
Email: OWRRPrograms@detsi.qld.gov.au

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ResourceSmart School Awards

Funding Provider
Sustainability Victoria

Location
VIC

Funding Type
Award A00822

Primary Category
Environment

Eligible to
School

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **9 Mar 2026**

Purpose

The ResourceSmart School Awards are Victoria's largest sustainability celebration for primary and secondary school students, teachers and school volunteers.

Overview

The 2026 theme, 'Our sustainable community', celebrates teachers, students and stakeholders sharing knowledge, passion, and commitment to drive sustainability for a thriving environment.

The awards celebrate all steps towards a sustainable future – no action is too small. Schools and individuals achieving great things by working together and are invited to enter the following categories. Prize money is awarded to the school to put towards sustainability projects.

- Campus Infrastructure and Operations School of the Year
- Emerging School of the Year
- School Volunteer of the Year
- Student Action Team of the Year (Primary)
- Student Action Team of the Year (Secondary)
- Curriculum Leadership School of the Year (Primary)

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- Curriculum Leadership School of the Year (Secondary)
- CDS Vic Excellence Award (Primary) - Sponsored by Victoria's Container Deposit Scheme
- CDS Vic Excellence Award (Secondary) - Sponsored by Victoria's Container Deposit Scheme
- Teacher of the Year (Primary)
- Teacher of the Year (Secondary)
- ResourceSmart School of the Year

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/A00822/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/A00822/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/A00822/apply
Email: resourcesmartawards@sustainability.vic.gov.au **Phone:** (03) 8626 8844

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Schools Water Efficiency Program (SWEP)

Funding Providers
Department of Education (VIC)
Department of Energy, Environment and Climate Action (VIC)

Location
VIC

Funding Type
Subsidised Goods And Services G13075

Primary Category
Environment

Eligible to
School

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Schools Water Efficiency Program provides data loggers to all Victorian schools to continue the education and demonstration of water efficiency in practice.

Overview

The program allows facility managers, teachers and students access to up-to-date water consumption information through an interactive platform that delivers water consumption data in a timely manner via a user friendly and functional interface.

Complementing the platform, participating schools will receive access to a tailored curriculum program, which incorporates the school's water data in mathematics and sciences as well as providing students with robust water saving messages which they can apply at home.

Schools will receive access to the SWEP web site for the first year of the program at no cost. Following the completion of the first year, schools will be required to pay a data hosting and access fee of $150* per year plus GST for the following two years of the program.

*Schools wishing to install more than two data loggers may purchase additional loggers from the program at a reduced rate.

Limitations

Eligibility

SWEP is a voluntary program which is open to all schools within Victoria.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G13075/info
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G13075/apply
Email: swep@myswep.com.au

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Small Environment Grants

Funding Provider
Wettenhall Environment Trust

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19072

Primary Category
Environment

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- University
- Individual
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
Amount: $1,000 to $10,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **9 Mar 2026**

Last Round
Closed **16 Dec 2025**

Purpose

Providing support for people undertaking projects that will make a positive difference to the natural living environment, in land, sea or air, rural or urban. The Trust support grassroots organisations and individuals, and academics who are working with on-ground community groups.

Overview

The Trust are looking for projects around about flora and fauna conservation around Australia.

These projects should involve any of the following:

- monitoring, recording and sharing data
- delivering community education
- providing community capacity building (e.g. training)
- research and science

Grants are usually under $10,000. Wettenhall also grants on behalf of donors, and sometimes these programs can be over $10,000. If you have a project over $10,000, check with the Executive Director. Universities and academics can only apply for up to $5,000.

Please note: There are opening dates, but no closing dates, and this is how it works:

- The Expression of Interest (EOI) application form appears on the website on the opening date
- Submit your EOI as close to the opening date as possible
- If your EOI is accepted, you'll be supplied with login details and closing date for submitting your full application.
- **The grant round will be closed to Expressions of Interest when there are enough suitable applications received. Therefore the period of time that a round is open for will vary.**
    - Note that the EOIs are only open for around 2 weeks
    - the EOI form will then disappear, when we have received enough suitable EOIs that can complete a full application

Here are dates when the rounds open and the application form appears online:

- 8th December 2025 for funding in February 2026

Limitations

Can you apply?

1. Is your project about Australian flora and fauna conservation?
2. Do you have partners to work with? Who will you share your work with?
3. Is your project ready to go, and can you do it? Be sure before you apply (have your permits in place).
4. Grants are usually under $10,000 but can be up to $15,000. Larger grants will be considered. Don't make your budget add up to $15,000 or put 15% admin or project management fee in your budget. We are nothing like a government agency, and we will reject this budget line. We want to hear and see exactly what you need whether it be insurance, wages, equipment etc.
5. We are only a small organisation so have to be very focused about what we fund – we don't want to go into a big bucket with a bunch of other funders. Make sure we are a "good fit" together.
6. Universities – you can apply for up to $5,000. But we don't fund pure research, you must be partnering with an 'on ground' group and be able to show it. *Please also note that we want all the grant to be used by the applicant, and no administration charge will be paid to the university.*

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7. All grant recipients must fill in a final report on-line after 12 months. The signed grant conditions letter is your written agreement to this. Please don't apply unless you are willing to do this report and supply photos for our use. *If you don't report, you are in breach of these grant conditions.*
8. If you're not sure whether to apply, email the Executive Director who is more than happy to give advice before you make an effort to fill in the form.

What is not funded

- Art projects (even if it has an environmental theme)
- School projects
- Businesses or start ups
- Environmental consultancies
- Advocacy
- Tree planting, fencing or pest plant or animal control
- Private property owners or farm projects
- Workshops alone, any workshops need to be a part of a larger project with an 'action' component
- Animal or wildlife rescue and rehabilitation organisations and their activities
- Invasive monitoring
- Gardens – bush food gardens, sensory gardens, vegie gardens, permaculture, chicken houses, water tanks, arboretums etc
- Pure academic research – academic applicants need to show how their research is directly linked to a community group doing conservation work. Research needs to be of benefit to those groups working on habitat or species conservation.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19072/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19072/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19072/apply
Contact: Elizabeth (Beth) Mellick
Email: beth@wettenhall.org.au

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Solar Homes Program

Funding Provider
Solar Victoria

Location
VIC

Funding Type
Rebate U00439

Primary Category
Environment

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Business
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
$8,800
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Solar Homes Program offers eligible Victorian households solar panel (PV) rebates and the option of an interest-free loan, hot water rebates, and an interest-free loan for solar batteries.

Overview

To help more Victorians save with solar and make the switch to an all-electric home various Solar Home programs are available including:

Solar battery loans: Interest-free loans of up to $8,800 are available for eligible households. see more information here - Now Closed.

Solar panel (PV) rebate: Solar panel rebates plus the option of an interest-free loan are available for eligible homes. see more information here

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Hot water rebate: Hot water rebates of up to $1,000 are available for eligible heat pump and solar hot water systems. see more information here

Solar rebates for rental properties: Solar panel rebates plus the option of an interest-free loan are available for eligible rental properties. see more information here

Solar rebates for community housing: Solar panel rebates of up to $1,400 are available for community housing organisations. see more information here

Limitations

See individual programs for eligibility requirements.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00439/info
Email: enquiries@team.solar.vic.gov.au **Phone:** 1300 376 393

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Streets to Sea Program

Funding Provider
NSW Environment Protection Authority (EPA)

Location
NSW

Funding Type
Cash Grant G16587

Primary Category
Environment

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- State Govt
- Local Govt

Funding
$1,000,000
Total Pool: $5,000,000

Rounds
Closes **26 Oct 2026 Midnight**

Purpose

The NSW Government will offer up to $1 million for councils, catchment groups and other key stakeholders to deliver catchment-based approaches to reduce the flow of litter into NSW waterways.

Overview

The program supports the litter targets outlined in the NSW Waste and Sustainable Materials Strategy 2041 (WASM). This program aims to facilitate action and inspire leadership in litter prevention to ensure a healthy and thriving environment for the future.

Funding is available to stakeholders delivering Stream 3 initiatives as part of the NSW Litter Prevention Grants Program.

Streets to Sea is a catchment-based approach to litter prevention, focused on reducing flows of litter from the terrestrial environment (e.g., streets as well as parks, plazas and other littered places) into the marine environment (e.g., waterways like estuaries, rivers, creeks, drainage channels and shorelines). The whole journey is in consideration to intervene and reduce the flow of litter -from streets to sea and all the potential points between.

Funding

A total pool of $5 million is available for Streets to Sea initiatives. Funding of up to $1 million is available per applicant.

It is expected that those applying for larger amounts of funding (i.e., towards the upper end of the $1 million funding scale) would be part of a catchment-wide collaboration of multiple organisations and deliver large-scale reductions in litter flows. Grants towards the lower end of the funding scale might cover initiatives for sub-catchments within larger catchment areas, or target particular land uses or litter types.

This is a new program that was introduced in the NSW Litter Prevention Strategy 2022-2030.

What will be funded?

Up to $1 million is available for applicants who have completed a Streets to Sea catchment-based litter management plan, in accordance with the steps below, and who have endorsement that commits them to implementing the program of work outlined in that plan.

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Streets to Sea supports initiatives that do the following:

- establish and refine an approach for integrating litter prevention with catchment management
- implement the approach in specified catchments
- deliver quantified reductions in litter flows.

Streets to Sea catchment litter plans may include a range of interventions that help to reduce flows of litter, such as the following:

- improved cleaning methods (e.g., litter pick up, street sweeping, stormwater device maintenance)
- new cleaning equipment, such as street sweepers
- new or upgraded infrastructure, such as litter bins or stormwater quality improvement devices (SQIDs).
- targeted regulation of public and private land to reduce litter escaping into stormwater
- improvements to the monitoring program, including integration of information technology with infrastructure to increase the efficiency of data insights (e.g., smart bins).

Limitations

Eligbility

An applicant for Streets to Sea funding must be an **existing recipient** of a Stream 3 Own it and Act (OIAA) Litter Prevention strategic implementation grant and be implementing their roadmap.

Applications must present a clear, well-substantiated business case via the steps set out below, for a catchment approach to achieving measurable reductions in litter.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G16587/info
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G16587/apply
Email: litter.prevention@epa.nsw.gov.au

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Sustainable Business Program

Funding Providers
Chief Minister, Treasury & Economic Development Directorate (ACT)
Transport Canberra and City Services
Environment, Planning and Sustainable Development Directorate (ACT)

Location
ACT

Funding Type
Rebate U00360

Primary Category
Environment

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- State Govt
- Business
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
$13,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Sustainable Business Program provides support in the areas of energy, transport, waste and water. Businesses can register for the free program to access rebates, resources, advice and accreditation.

Overview

The Sustainable Business Program provides support across four action areas; energy, transport, waste and water.

Through the program, your business can:

- book a free onsite assessment from technical experts
- receive independent advice and a tailored action plan
- *access resources, training and rebates up to $13,000*

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- become accredited and recognised as a Sustainable Business

*Eligible businesses may receive rebates of up to $10,000 for energy and water efficiency upgrades and up to $3,000 for an EV charger. All rebates require a co-contribution from the business

Limitations

Who can take part?

You can participate in the program if your business or organisation operates in the ACT.

Entity type	Energy	Transport	Waste	Water
NGO and community organisation	Energy assessment Rebate*	Eligible	Eligible	Ineligible
ACT and Federal Government	Ineligible	Ineligible	Eligible	Ineligible
Small business**	Energy assessment Rebate	Eligible	Eligible	Eligible
Large business	Limited energy assessment	Eligible	Eligible	Limited water assessment
Embassy	Energy assessment	Eligible	Eligible	Water assessments
Community Club	Energy assessment Rebate	Eligible	Eligible	Energy assessment Rebate
Other	Email the Sustainable Business Team and discuss your eligibility. sustainablebusiness@act.gov.au			

* NGO and Community organisations are eligible for a rebate if their most recent annual energy bills are less than $25,000 and/or they have fewer than 20 staff (FTE). ** A business is considered small if the most recent annual energy bills are less than $25,000 and/or they have fewer than 20 staff (FTE).

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00360/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00360/apply
Email: sustainablebusiness@act.gov.au **Phone:** 13 22 81

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Sustainable Household Scheme

Funding Providers
Chief Minister, Treasury & Economic Development Directorate (ACT)
Transport Canberra and City Services
Environment, Planning and Sustainable Development Directorate (ACT)

Location
ACT

Funding Type
Low Or No-interest Loan U00359

Primary Category
Environment

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual

Funding
Amount: $2,000 to $15,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

This scheme provides zero-interest loans to help with the costs of energy-efficient upgrades.

Overview

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The Sustainable Household Scheme changed on 1 July 2025:

- An interest rate of 3% now applies to all new Scheme loans.
- Solar panels are no longer eligible for a Scheme loan. (Zero-interest loans and loans for solar are still accessible to eligible concession card holders under the Home Energy Support Program.)
- Installations of all approved quotes under the guidelines up to 30 June 2025 must be completed by 1 November 2025 (or loans may be reviewed).

If you're eligible, you can get a loan from $2,000 to $15,000 to buy energy-efficient products. These include:

- household battery storage systems
- electric heating and cooling systems
- hot water heat pumps (HWHP) and evacuated tube solar hot water systems
- electric stove tops
- electric vehicles (cars)
- electric vehicle charging infrastructure
- ceiling insulation
- installation costs for these products.

Over the life of the scheme, you can install one product or a bundle of products from the list of eligible products. Together, these can be valued at up to $15,000.

You may borrow more than $15,000 depending on your loan application credit check. The loan provider may charge interest on funds borrowed above the limit.

Your repayments will begin when you either:

- install the product or system and it is operational
- buy the electric vehicle.

Who can take part

Households

It's open to residents of the ACT who either own a home or hold a current driving licence (when applying for a loan for an electric vehicle).

You must meet the scheme's eligibility criteria (outlined in the Scheme Guidelines) and Brighte's lending criteria. This includes attending a free one hour live workshop. These workshops will help you with your energy efficiency choices. You have the option of attending a workshop online or in person.

To check if you're eligible, read:

- Terms and Conditions
- Guidelines
- Frequently asked questions

Community groups

Eligible groups can get a loan from $2,000 to $15,000 to buy energy-efficient products.

A group must meet the Scheme's eligibility criteria and Brighte's lending criteria. This includes attending a free one hour live workshop or participating in the Business Energy and Water program. You have the option of attending a workshop online or in person. These resources will help you with your energy efficiency choices.

Important: ***Before*** applying for a loan, you will need to check if you need to obtain relevant approvals. Check the FAQs for more details.

To check if your group is eligible, read:

- Terms and Conditions
- Guidelines
- Frequently asked questions

Cost

No establishment fees or account-keeping costs.

You can repay the loan early with no penalty fee. But if you fall behind in your loan repayments, the loan provider may charge a fee.

You must meet standard credit criteria for the loan. This includes a good credit history and the ability to repay the loan without hardship.

If you can't repay the loan, the loan provider will have hardship support to help you.

The loan provider must follow the responsible lending practices in the *National Consumer Protection Credit Act 2009*.

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To assist with reducing the loan size, Pensioner Concession Card, Department of Veterans' Affairs Gold Card holders and Health Care Card may also be eligible for rebates on rooftop solar installation and other energy efficient products as part of the Home Energy Support program. Eligible households who are approved for one or more Home Energy Support rebates can also receive up to $10,000 in a zero interest loan.

This means that the total support available from the ACT Government is $15,000 per eligible household, either through $15,000 in zero interest loans only or through $10,000 in zero interest loans and $5,000 in rebates.

Limitations

Eligibility

Stand-alone homes (Non-unit titled properties)

- Homes with an unimproved value (UV) at or below $750,000 in **2022** are eligible for all products in the scheme, except solar.
- To be eligible for solar through the scheme the UV of your property in **2022** must be at or below $450,000.

Unit titled properties

- Units with an unimproved value at or below $300,000 in **2022** will be eligible for all products in the scheme.
- The scheme guidelines may provide more detail on eligibility

Home Energy

- The Health Care Card has been added as an eligible concession card.
- Pensioner Concession Card, Department of Veterans' Affairs Gold Card, and now Health Care Card holders can access a 50% rebate up to $2,500 to install rooftop solar, and an additional 50% rebate up to $2,500 to install energy efficient products. This can be combined with a loan of up to $10,000.
- UV eligibility thresholds for both HESP categories A and B, is at or below $750,000 (non-unit) and $300,000 (units) in 2022.

To be eligible for solar through the scheme from 1 July 2023 you must either:

- have a UV at or below $450,000 (non-unit) in 2022 to access the SHS,

OR

- be a Pensioner Concession Card holder, Department of Veterans' Affairs Gold Card holder or a Health Care Card holder with a UV at or below $750,000 (non-unit) to access the Home Energy Support Program.

Not-for-profit community groups

Not-for-profit community groups located in the ACT who are active and registered on one of the following registers are eligible to apply:

- ACT incorporated associations public register
- Australian charity and not-for-profit commission register

In addition to the registration criteria, a community organisation must also:

- Meet the following criteria:
    - be a not-for-profit community group that operates in the ACT as evidenced by a utility bill or lease agreement
    - have an Australian Business Number (ABN)
    - be represented by the chief executive, or another representative appointed by the group's board
    - have an incorporated legal structure (e.g., an incorporated association, a company limited by guarantee that is registered under the Corporations Act 2001, an incorporated indigenous corporation or an incorporated non-distributing co-operative)
    - be prepared to enter into a financial contract with the Scheme's loan provider y purchase products for installation on the group's premises within the ACT
    - participate in either:
        - An Climate Choices workshop1 or,
        - The Business Energy and Water Program to undertake a free energy assessment. This program provides rebates of up to $5,000 for eligible small to medium businesses to upgrade to water-efficient and energy-efficient technologies.
- Have relevant approvals in place before applying for a loan: It is the responsibility of the Scheme participant to ensure landlord permissions, land use, building, development and other relevant approvals are obtained before applying for a loan. In addition to participation in the Scheme, the Organisation agrees to participate in promotional opportunities for the Scheme such as good news stories and case studies.

Individual applicant eligibility

A Scheme participant for Category A, B and D (see guidelines for more information) is defined as:

- a person who owns the property in which the installation is to occur; or

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- living with the person who owns the property in which the installation is to occur.

A Scheme participant for Category C is defined as:

- a holder of a valid ACT Driver Licence; and
- a homeowner or tenant.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00359/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00359/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00359/apply
Email: SHS@act.gov.au **Phone:** 13 22 81

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Victorian Circular Economy Recycling Modernisation Fund

Funding Provider
Sustainability Victoria

Location
VIC

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19791

Primary Category
Environment

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Local Govt
- Business

Funding
Amount: $50,000 to $500,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **1 Jul 2026 11:59 pm**

Purpose

Sustainability Victoria is supporting industry and local councils to diversify and attract new investment, to attract reprocessing infrastructure and to support technologies related to recycling and manufacturing solutions.

Overview

Projects must achieve at least one of the following primary objectives:

- improve the quality of recovered target materials to increase market uptake and/or meet market specifications
- increase the use and market demand of recovered target materials in remanufacturing and to make new products
- increase the recovery and domestic reprocessing of one of the following target materials and equipment types as outlined in the Eligible Materials and Equipment Table 1 below:
    - hard-to-recycle plastics (Including e-plastics, EPS/PS, packaging (soft / flexible) plastics, agricultural plastics where there are:
        - very low recovery and recycling rates due to difficulties in recycling
        - limited infrastructure and technology solutions to support circularity in the supply chain.
    - e-waste, such as photovoltaic (PV) panels, batteries, vapes or household appliances
    - recovery of tyres to create crumb rubber for local markets (no other tyre recovery projects will be eligible)
    - liquid paperboard / liquid packaging board
    - textiles.

Additional objectives (optional):

- improve recycling outcomes by addressing critical infrastructure gaps in Australia's waste management and resource recovery system including, where possible, addressing Australia's regional and rural waste challenges
- manage target materials in line with the waste hierarchy and national regulation of waste exports
- create jobs in the resource recovery sector
- increase other economic development opportunities such as economic performance and growth of hubs
- reduce the amount and environmental impact of waste going to landfill.

The Fund aims to achieve the following outcomes:

- diversify and attract new investment to increase the quality of materials recovered for recycling
- attract reprocessing infrastructure to increase the quantity of materials re-entering manufacturing streams and improving the circularity of materials

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- support technologies and processes that provide new or improved recycling and manufacturing solutions.

Limitations

Eligible organisations must be one of the following organisation types:

- An Australian Business.
- A Victorian local government.
- A Social Enterprise (must be currently registered with Social Traders or prove accreditation before entering into a funding agreement).
- Other Not-for-profit organisation, ideally registered on the ACNC charity register.

Note: If the Applicant is a Trust, the Funding Agreement must be executed by the Trustee of the Trust. For example XYZ Pty Ltd as The Trustee for the XYZ Trust. The Trust as the trading entity must meet all the eligibility requirements of the fund (for example ABN).

Applicants must:

- have a current Australian Business Number (ABN). If the Applicant is a Trust, the Trust as the trading entity must meet this requirement
- have been operating for a minimum of 2 years by the application closing date (to be validated by the date that the organisation's ABN is active from)
- be able to demonstrate financial viability to undertake the project (will meet or exceed the minimum Co-contribution requirements
- agree to comply with the Terms of Participation in Grant Programs
- agree to comply with the funding terms and conditions of the General grant funding agreement
- submit their *Fair Jobs Code* Pre-Assessment Certificate Number with their application if applying for $500,000 or more (exclusive of GST). A Certificate must be held prior to applying for the grant.

Individuals and unincorporated entities are not eligible for funding.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19791/info

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19791/apply
Email: grants.enquiries@sustainability.vic.gov.au **Phone:** 03 8656 6757

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Waste and Resource Recovery Board Sponsorship Program

Funding Provider
Department of Natural Resources and Environment Tasmania

Location
TAS

Funding Type
Cash Grant G18946

Primary Category
Environment

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Business

Funding
Amount: $1,000 to $10,000
Total Pool: $100,000

Rounds
Closes **26 Jun 2026 5:00pm**

Purpose

The Sponsorship Program is focused on supporting projects, organisations and events that align with the WRR Strategy.

Overview

Sponsorships are available for projects and events that demonstrate and road-test innovation, produce improved resource streams and circular supply chains, and deliver better services, products and outcomes for Tasmania.

The objectives of the program are to support initiatives that:

- Improve understanding of resource recovery and/or circular economy services, processes, facilities or issues within Tasmania.

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- Improve the reuse, repair, collection, sorting, processing, recycling and remanufacturing of priority materials in Tasmania (see below),
- Improve the capability and capacity of Tasmania's resource recovery services, processes and facilities across the state.
- Improve the Tasmanian circular economy, related resource recovery markets and the broader Tasmanian economy.

Limitations

Eligible Sponsorship Proponents must:

- be located, and have substantial operations, in Tasmania.
- nominate a principal applicant.
- in the case of a joint or consortium proposal, the parties must nominate a single, principal applicant. The principal applicant must be nominated in writing and provide written evidence of the support and degree of project involvement of all parties.
- have a track record of operating legally in accordance with relevant environmental and planning permits/licences and legal conditions.
- must disclose any past convictions contravening any environmental management or land use planning legislation in the last five (5) years. Past convictions do not necessarily exclude sponsorship proponents from successfully applying for sponsorship funding under this Sponsorship program.
- be able to demonstrate appropriate Work Cover and public liability insurance for the proposed project or event. include a signed declaration (sample template provided) from either the Chief Financial Officer, Chief Executive Officer, Board Chair, General Manager or equivalent to substantiate the applicant's ability to deliver the outcomes of the project, including information relating to:
    - sites, operational premises and/or office locations,
    - Australian Business Number (ABN) registration,
    - Goods and Services Tax registration (GST),
    - Insolvency, and not have owners/directors who are an undischarged bankrupt,
    - External administration or have had proposals for orders to appoint liquidators, or to be wound up or dissolved, or any other action relating to insolvency,
    - Financial and cash flow planning in place to ensure the delivery of the project on time and to budget.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G18946/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G18946/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G18946/apply
Email: waste.initiatives@nre.tas.gov.au

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Waste and Sustainable Materials (WASM) - Litter Prevention Grants - Intake 5 (Stream 1 & 3)

Funding Provider
NSW Environment Protection Authority (EPA)

Location
NSW

Funding Type
Cash Grant G15834

Primary Category
Environment

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- State Govt
- Local Govt
- Business

Funding
$450,000
Total Pool: $10,000,000

Expression of Interest (EOI) Required to apply
Opens **17 Feb 2025** Closes **2 Mar 2026**

Rounds
Closes **30 Mar 2026**

Purpose

The Litter Prevention Grants Program is for councils, community groups and other key stakeholders to deliver litter prevention projects and develop strategic plans to address litter in their local environments.

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Overview

Please note: Applications for Stream 1 and 3 will now be accepted under a new Intake 5. Applications can be submitted at any stage between 17 February 2025 to 30 October 2025. Applications will be assessed as received and funding available until total funding limit has been exhausted. The primary purpose of this intake is to provide a final opportunity for stream 2 grantees awarded under previous intakes to progress to a stream 3 project. Funding will not be available for stream 2 under intake 5 as these projects will not have an opportunity to progress to stream 3.

The NSW Government has opened the Waste and Sustainable Materials Strategy 2041 Litter Prevention Grants Program with up to $10 million available. You need to follow these guidelines when applying for funding.

Funding is provided under three streams:

- **Stream 1:** Small-scale, on-ground projects, including a dedicated cigarette butt litter program
- **Stream 2:** Strategic development and capacity building
- **Stream 3:** *Own It and Act*strategic implementation

All initiatives must contribute to reducing litter in NSW and engage the community in delivering local, regional or statewide litter prevention outcomes.

Applications for Stream 1 and 3 only will now be accepted under a new Intake 5.

Funding

A total pool of $10,000,000 is available for on-ground projects and strategic initiatives across three streams over several intakes of funding to 2027. Each stream has a maximum grant allocation outlined in Table 1 below, available to each successful applicant.

You can apply for multiple projects within Stream 1 and multiple initiatives in Stream 2. Applicants may apply for a higher stream in subsequent intakes. It is expected that applicants will apply for only one stream per intake.

Applicants can apply for a maximum of $500,000 across multiple streams and intakes available up to 30 June 2027.

Grant stream	Funding type	Eligible applicants	Maximum funding
Stream 1	On-ground projects	Councils, regional waste groups, community groups and other government agencies	$85000
	Cigarette butt	Councils, regional waste groups, community groups, business, and other government agencies	$40000
	Clean-up	Councils, regional waste groups, community groups, business, schools, and other government agencies	$5000
Stream 2	Strategic development (Own It and Act)	Councils, regional waste groups, community groups, an alliance, and other government agencies	$100000
Stream 3	Strategic implementation	Councils, regional waste groups, community groups, an alliance, and other government agencies	$450000

Limitations

Eligibility

To apply you must meet the following eligibility criteria:

- be a local council, regional waste group, community organisation or an alliance or State Government agency located in NSW. Businesses are eligible to apply for cigarette butt litter and clean-up projects only. Schools may apply for clean-up grants (refer to Table 1)
- have a project/initiative that is geographically located in NSW
- be able to deliver an initiative that is in line with the program objectives, as determined by the TRC
- be able to maintain reliable financial records and separately account for grant funds
- Community organisations must:
    - be a non-government, not-for-profit organisation
    - have their own constitution and be incorporated under the law of a state or territory as an incorporated association, company or cooperative society
    - hold an Australian Business Number (ABN)

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In Streams 2 and 3, each applicant must meet the following additional criteria.

Community-based organisation:

- be a reputable environmental community organisation OR a reputable organisation focused on delivering community-based outcomes with influence over multiple sites and/or multiple related organisational units (e.g. river catchment groups)
- be overseen by suitably qualified and/or senior representatives of the partner organisations (i.e. a steering group) who are committed to meeting regularly and able to make timely decisions to keep the project progressing as planned. For Stream 3, this must include the organisation/s managing public land on which proposed initiatives are to be located.
- be able to provide a certified account for grant fund expenditure with the final report.

Council:

- have cross-departmental and executive leadership support to embed litter prevention as business-as-usual processes
- be overseen by a steering group (or similar) made up of cross-department representatives (including senior executives) that is committed to meeting regularly and able to make timely decisions. If an applicant elects to use an existing group (or groups) to undertake governance and communication roles, an outline of the organisational structure must accompany the application.

Regional waste group:

- have member endorsement to participate (signatures) and have agreement (commitment to act) from any member(s) responsible for delivering an initiative have demonstrated success in delivering previous Regional Litter Plans through the LRIP Program.

Alliance or group of organisations:

- have a written agreement (e.g. MOU or Compact) that outlines the purpose of the alliance or group, and the roles and responsibilities of all participating organisations/members
- have endorsement (signatures) and agreement (commitment to act) from any organisation responsible for delivering upon a plan/strategy or action
- have ability and credibility to lead multiple organisations to realise deliverables
- be overseen by a steering group that is committed to meeting to an agreed schedule and is made up of suitably qualified representatives of the partner organisations, including the organisation/s managing public land where proposed initiatives will be located.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G15834/info
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G15834/apply
Email: litter.prevention@epa.nsw.gov.au

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Zero waste rebates

Funding Provider
City of Whittlesea

Location
Whittlesea

Funding Type
Rebate U00230

Primary Category
Environment

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$100
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

As part of the rebate program, residents can claim a rebate on the purchase price of reusable nappies, reusable sanitary products or composting materials.

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Overview

Investing in reusable items at home is a great way to reduce household rubbish. They can also save on costs in the long term. In fact, by choosing reusable nappies, parents can save up to $2000 per child. However, the upfront costs of purchasing reusable nappies or sanitary items can be costly. Council is looking to support residents by providing a rebate on these products, to encourage people to trial reusable items at home and discover which items suit them best.

Residents can claim 50 per cent of what you spend on reusable nappies, reusable sanitary products or composting materials, up to the limits listed below. For example, if you spend $80 on a worm farm, you may be eligible for a rebate of $40.

Rebate categories

Reusable nappy items:

Items include: reusable nappies, reusable inserts, reusable swim nappies, reusable baby wipes, wet bags for reusable nappies, reusable nursing pads.

Rebate: 50% of your purchase price up to $200. (maximum rebate $100)

Reusable sanitary items:

Items include: reusable sanitary pads, leak proof underwear, reusable sanitary cups, wet bags for sanitary items.

Rebate: 50% of your purchase price up to $200 spent. (maximum rebate $100)

Composting tools:

Items include: compost bins, worm farms, bokashi bins, grains and liquid, and compost aerator, worms and kitchen caddy.

Rebate: 50% of your purchase price up to $200 spent. (maximum rebate $100)

Shopping carts:

collapsible shopping carts made from sustainable materials such as metal, aluminium and cloth with minimal plastic parts

Rebate: 50% of your purchase price up to $200 spent (maximum rebate $100).

Limitations

Whittlesea residents can claim a rebate.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00230/info

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00230/apply
Email: resource.recovery@whittlesea.vic.gov.au **Phone:** (03) 9217 2170

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Assisted Reproductive Technology (ART) Storage Funding Program

Funding Provider
Department of Health, Disability and Ageing

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G13488

Primary Category
Health

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- State Govt
- University
- Business
- Local Govt

Funding
Total Pool: $11,600,000

Rounds
Ongoing

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Purpose

The purpose of this grant opportunity is to support patients from two population groups who face extra costs associated with fertility preservation.

Overview

A patient is eligible for subsidised cryostorage under the program if they seek cryostorage of eggs, sperm or embryos for fertility preservation due to

- a cancer diagnosis as evidenced by medical documentation, or
- being at risk of passing on genetic conditions, and they have undergone preimplantation genetic testing funded by the Medicare Benefit Schedule (MBS), as described in MBS items 13207, 73384, 73385, 73386 or 73387.

Costs associated with the cryostorage of eggs, sperm or embryos are not currently subsidised through the Medical Benefits Schedule (MBS) and these patient groups often face extra costs associated with fertility preservation.

The intended outcome of the program is to reduce eligible patient's costs for preserving eggs, sperm, or embryos through cryostorage (freezing). Under the program, patients will be eligible for up to ten years of cryostorage funding per eligible material stored.

Under the program, the Government will make a payment to subsidise the cost of cryostorage of eggs, sperm, and/or embryos for eligible patients for a maximum of ten years per patient and per stored material.

Funding

The Australian Government announced an initial amount of $11.6 million over four years for the ART Storage Funding Program in the 2023-24 Budget.

This grant opportunity is demand-driven and will run from 1 July 2023, with grant agreements initially available over 4 years from 2023-24 to 2026-27.

The subsidy amount is up to $600 per year per patient and per eligible cryostorage service. Payments of up to $300 will be made in arrears on a 6 monthly basis. The first payment period will cover cryostorage of eligible services from 1 July to 31 December 2023. The first payments will be made in early 2024.

The payment amount will be calculated on a monthly pro-rata basis: i.e. eligible cryostorage services will be subsidised for storage from the first day of the month in which they are placed in storage, to the last day of the month in which the cryostorage service ends. The subsidy amount will be periodically reviewed by the Department of Health and Aged Care in consultation with the ART sector.

The subsidy amount is subject to indexation annually on 1 July in line with the Wage Price Index (WPI).

Subsidies will be paid directly to eligible ART clinics via a payment system managed by Services Australia. No payments will be made directly to patients.

This grant opportunity makes grant funding available to the end of financial year 2026-27.

How to apply

To apply you must:

- read all available documentation about the grant opportunity provided on GrantConnect,
- provide all information requested,
- include all necessary attachments, and
- register your ART Organisation and your clinics with the Services Australia Organisation Register.

Once you are registered with Services Australia, the Department of Health and Aged Care will review your application.

Limitations

Eligibility

To be eligible you must be a legal entity (ART Organisation) providing cryostorage services on behalf of eligible patients (see Section 4.1.1 in the guidelines).

Each ART clinic claiming subsidies from the program under your grant agreement must have a current licence from the Reproductive Technology Accreditation Committee (RTAC).

You are not eligible to apply if you are an:

- organisation, or your project partner is an organisation, included on the National Redress Scheme's website on the list of 'Institutions that have not joined or signified their intent to join the Scheme', and/or
- ART clinic not licenced by RTAC.

Other criteria

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A cryostorage service is only eligible for subsidy under the program if the eggs, sperm and/or embryo commenced cryostorage on or after 1 July 2023. Materials that commenced cryostorage prior to this date are not eligible for the program.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G13488/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G13488/guidelines
Email: Grant.ATM@Health.gov.au

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Australian College of Nursing Scholarships

Funding Provider
Australian College of Nursing

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Scholarship S05673

Primary Category
Health

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The College offer grants and awards to support nurses to complete continuing professional development as well as postgraduate study and research.

Overview

ACN is dedicated to helping you be the best you can be by providing access to scholarships, grants and awards.

They administer a range of Australian Government Department of Health and Aged Care scholarships for undergraduate and postgraduate aged care, nursing and midwifery courses as well as scholarships for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students studying entry-level health courses.

Limitations

Eligibility and closing dates vary depending on the scholarship opportunity.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05673/info
Email: scholarships@acn.edu.au **Phone:** 1800 061 660

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BHI Conference Support Grants - 2025

Funding Provider
The Hospital Research Foundation Group

Location
SA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G17478

Primary Category
Health

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
Amount: $750 to $2,500

Rounds
Closes **30 Jan 2026**

Last Round
Closed **30 Sep 2025**

Purpose

THRF Group provide an allocation of funding to the Basil Hetzel Institute for Translational Health Research (BHI) to support BHI-affiliated staff and Higher Degree by Research (HDR) students with some of the costs of conference participation.

Overview

For conferences held in 2025, applications from eligible applicants will be considered for grants of

- up to $750 in support of eligible participation in a local or national conference (in person), or a virtual conference, and
- up to $2,500 in support of eligible participation in an international conference (in person).

Applications for support are to be made **after** conference participation has been completed and lodged within the appropriate Assessment Cycle for the conference's end date.

Assessment Cycle:

1. For conferences ending between 1 January 2025 and 30 April 2025 - Applications to be received by 11:59pm (ACST) 30 May 2025
2. For conferences ending between 1 May 2025 and 31 August 2025 - Applications to be received by 11:59pm (ACST) 30 September 2025
3. For conferences ending between 1 September 2025 and 31 December 2025 - Applications to be received by 11:59pm (ACST) 30 January 2026

Limitations

Eligibility Criteria:

Requests for THRF – BHI Conference Grants will be considered in Assessment Cycles after conference participation from the following applicants:

- Higher Degree by Research (HDR) students that are enrolled full-time or part-time equivalent at a university in South Australia, and that are undertaking a health and medical research project that requires them to spend at least 70% of their research time at the BHI, TQEH precinct.
- BHI-affiliated Clinical researchers / Research scientists that are currently conducting research in a full-time or part-time capacity and who are located at the BHI, TQEH precinct. Preference will be given to applications from Early-Mid Career Researchers (EMCRs). For the purposes of this scheme, "Early-Mid Career" will be considered as up to 10 years post HDR conferral (where held) or an equivalent amount of research experience, allowing for career disruptions in line with the NHMRC Relative to Opportunity policy https://www.nhmrc.gov.au/about-us/policies-and-priorities#download.

Applicants may receive one THRF – BHI Conference Support Grant in 2024. Applicants that have previously received a THRF – BHI Conference Support Grant in 2024 are not eligible to apply for further support from THRF – BHI within 2024.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G17478/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G17478/guidelines

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G17478/apply
Email: grants@hospitalresearch.org.au **Phone:** 8244 1100

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Balnaves Foundation Grants

Funding Provider
Balnaves Foundation

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G11138

Primary Category
Health

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- University
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
Total Pool: $5,000,000

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Balnaves Foundation disperses $5 million annually to eligible organisations that create a better Australia through education, medicine and the arts with a focus on young people, the disadvantaged and Indigenous Australia.

Overview

The Balnaves Foundation has a new strategic direction for grants in the medical space. From 2023, the Foundation will be focused on supporting projects that deliver significantly improved health outcomes for young Australians through the prevention and early intervention of chronic health conditions.

If your organisation primarily works in one or more of these areas then please consider submitting an online expression of interest. There are no closing dates or budget constraints, however the Foundation prefers to support multi-year projects with a funding range of $150,000 – $250,000 per annum.

The online expression of interest is the first stage in applying for funding. It will be considered by the Foundation team. You will receive a response within three weeks, that will either:

1. Advise that they would like to receive more information and/or arrange a meeting to discuss your expression of interest.
2. Notify you that your expression of interest was unsuccessful.

Limitations

The Foundation is only able to support organisations with DGR 1 status or that have an auspice arrangement with an organisation with DRG 1 status.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G11138/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G11138/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G11138/apply
Email: info@balnavesfoundation.com **Phone:** 02 9336 8200

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Continence Aids Payment Scheme (CAPS)

Funding Provider
Department of Health, Disability and Ageing

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G05269

Primary Category
Health

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

To assist eligible people who have permanent and severe incontinence to meet some of the costs of continence products.

Overview

The CAPS payment rate for 2025-26 is $717.10. The payment may increase or decrease a little every year following the Government's budget process

Your CAPS payment is paid into your choice of Australian bank account. The account can belong to:

- you
- the custodial parent of a child getting CAPS
- your legal or authorised nominee

CAPS payments aren't included in your income tax calculations.

Limitations

You need to meet eligibility for the Continence Aids Payment Scheme (CAPS).

To get paid under CAPS you must meet all of the following:

- be 5 years or older
- have permanent and severe incontinence confirmed by a registered health professional
- be an Australian permanent resident or citizen for as long as you get the payment
- have an eligible neurological condition or eligible other condition that is the cause of your permanent and severe incontinence

If you have a non-neurological condition, you must also have a Pensioner Concession Card.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Mail, Fax, Email
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G05269/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G05269/apply
Phone: 1800 239 309

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Cultural Safety Training Grant

Funding Provider
Rural Doctors Workforce Agency (RDWA)

Location
SA

Funding Type
Rebate U00706

Primary Category
Health

Eligible to
- Individual
- Business

Funding
$200
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Cultural Safety Training Grant provides funding to support rural South Australia's primary health care (PHC) clinicians and practice support staff to increase their skills and knowledge in providing culturally safe care for First Nations people.

Overview

The grant offers reimbursement for costs incurred in completing recognised cultural safety training of up to $200 per person.

Recognised courses include those offered by the Centre for Cultural Competence Australia, RACGP, ACRRM, or those recommended by health-related professional bodies. Training must occur between 1 July 2025 to 30 June 2026.

Limitations

Applicants must meet the person or business and activity eligibility criteria to apply. Where an individual or a business receives a grant related to named person, no further grants will be considered for that person. Applicants cannot be solely working for Commonwealth, State or Local government health services, and must not work solely in, or deliver only, disability or aged care services.

Applicants must:

- work in a SA rural location
- Work in a primary health care services or administration role in a private or not-for-profit organisation
- Intend to work in that role in that location for at least 12 months at the date of applying
- Have completed or intend to complete a recognised or accredited First Nations peoples cultural safety course between 1 July 2025 and 30 June 2026
- Not deliver solely aged care and/or disability services
- Not have received a cultural competence or safety grant from RDWA in the past three years.

Businesses must:

- Be in a SA rural location.
- Deliver primary health care services to the local community
- Not be a Commonwealth, State or Local Government entity
- Not solely deliver aged care and/or disability services
- Have employees or contractors who have completed or intend to complete a recognised or accredited First Nations peoples cultural safety course between 1 July 2025 and 30 June 2026
- Not have received a cultural competence or safety grant from RDWA in the past three years.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00706/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00706/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00706/apply
Email: planning@ruraldoc.com.au **Phone:** 08 8234 8277

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Grants and Donations - 2026

Funding Provider
AbbVie

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19828

Primary Category
Health

Eligible to
Not-for-Profit

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **27 Feb 2026**
Closes **26 Jun 2026**
Closes **16 Oct 2026**

Purpose

AbbVie provide financial support for projects that promote excellence in patient care, support disease awareness and provide education to healthcare professionals. In addition, they also provide funding to support charities and their fundraising activities in the community.

Overview

AbbVie will only consider reasonable requests for financial support that include:

- healthcare education events or initiatives such as conferences, symposia or one-off meetings
- disease awareness activities
- production of education materials including print and digital content
- fundraising activities
- donations to charities or not-for-profit organisations.

2026 Funding Application Closing Dates:

- Friday, 27th February
- Friday, 26th June
- Friday, 16th October

Limitations

AbbVie will not fund requests for:

- sporting clubs
- any profit-making entities - all organisations must be not-for profit or charities
- equipment that may be used for personal and professional reasons such as mobile phones or laptops
- funding of start-ups or operating costs of entities
- staff salaries and benefits
- Healthcare professional honorariums or travel costs. HCPs must apply directly to AbbVie for support through the individual funding process
- capital, infrastructure or operating expenses such as office equipment, furniture, or facilities modifications.
- events that are lavish or associated with sporting or recreational activities such as golf days, football matches or musical events.
- underwriting a commercial business or generate income for a practice or institution

Please note, applications for support of medical research should be directed to the medical department, and follow a different application and approval pathway. For further information contact medinfoanz@abbvie.com

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19828/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19828/apply
Email: ANZHCPFunding@abbvie.com

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Healthy Communities - Over $5,000

Funding Provider
Healthway

Location
WA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G11983

Primary Category
Health

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- School
- Business
- Local Govt

Funding
$5,000

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Healthy Communities Program funds a range of health promotion activities and campaigns to promote and encourage healthy lifestyles for all Western Australians.

Overview

The objectives of this program are:

- To fund activities related to the promotion of good health in general, with particular focus on children and young people, including children in their early years.
- To provide funding to organisations engaged in health promotion programs. Requests for Healthy Communities funding should aim to increase individual knowledge and skills, change behaviour and implement community and organisational policies to create environments that support good health.

Please contact the health promotion team to discuss your project prior to developing an application. Applications are to be forwarded via email to healthway@healthway.wa.gov.au at least five (5) calendar months before the commencement of your project.

See G11982 on the Funding Centre for the Healthy Communities Program - Up to $5,000.

Limitations

Eligibility Criteria:

- Incorporated associations under the Associations Incorporation Act 2015 (WA).
- Indigenous organisations under the Corporations (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander) Act 2006 (CATSI).
- Companies registered under the Corporations Act 2001 (Cth).
- Statutory Bodies (e.g. State government school, Public Health Unit, Local Government Association).
- Trusts, operating via a Trustee.

In addition, to be eligible to for funding you must:

- Be ABN registered or provide an ATO ‘Statement by Supplier’ form
- Have fulfilled all previous acquittal requirements for Healthway funded programs
- Maintain a general public liability insurance policy of a least $10,000,000 for the term of the project
- Have appropriate Health and Safety and Risk Management policies and practices in place to deliver the project
- Comply with all State and Commonwealth Laws which apply to the project.

Funding Cannot be Used for:

- Any activity or event that does not occur in Western Australia.
- Overseas and interstate travel, camps, conferences, trade exhibitions, events, workshops, catering and food.
- Capital works, equipment, fundraising, purchase of infrastructure or costs associated with running an organisation.
- The advancement or promotion of religion, religious outlook or faith-based activities.
- The advancement or promotion of a political organisation or political outlook.
- School activities that form part of the core curriculum.
- Activities that are already established, have been previously trialled or duplicate existing activities.
- Ongoing projects that require continuing support.
- Programs that are the responsibility of State or Federal Government. However, this may not preclude corporate ventures.
- The production of films, videos, books, pamphlets and publications that are not part of a broader program.
- Treatment/rehabilitation/counselling/therapy and direct health service delivery or the provision of food and welfare assistance.
- Projects that are not based on best practice in health promotion.

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Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Email
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G11983/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G11983/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G11983/apply
Email: healthway@healthway.wa.gov.au **Phone:** 133 77

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Healthy Communities Program - Up to $5,000

Funding Provider
Healthway

Location
WA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G11982

Primary Category
Health

Eligible to
- School
- Not-for-Profit
- Local Govt
- Business

Funding
$5,000

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Our Healthy Communities Program funds a range of health promotion activities and campaigns to promote and encourage healthy lifestyles for all Western Australians.

Overview

The aim of the up to $5,000 Healthy Communities funding is to support eligible organisations to deliver small, health promotion pilot projects which aim to:

- Increase individual knowledge and skills and change behaviour.
- Create community and organisational policies and environments to improve health.

Applications must be received at Healthway **at least four (4) calendar months prior** to the commencement of the project.

Please discuss your proposal with Healthway prior to submitting an application. Applications are to be forwarded via email to healthway@healthway.wa.gov.au at least four (4) calendar months before the commencement of your project.

Please note: From 1 July 2024, they do not generally fund stand-alone community, arts or sporting events.

Limitations

Eligibility Criteria:

Eligible organisations include:

- Incorporated associations under the Associations Incorporation Act 2015 (WA).
- Indigenous organisations under the Corporations (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander) Act 2006 (CATSI).
- Companies registered under the Corporations Act 2001 (Cth).
- Statutory Bodies (e.g. State government school, Public Health Unit, Local Government Association).
- Trusts, operating via a Trustee.

In addition, to be eligible to for funding you must:

- Be ABN registered or provide an ATO ‘Statement by Supplier’ form.
- Have fulfilled all previous acquittal requirements for Healthway funded programs.
- Maintain a general public liability insurance policy of a least $10,000,000 for the term of the project.
- Have appropriate Health and Safety and Risk Management policies and practices in place to deliver the project.
- Comply with all State and Commonwealth Laws which apply to the project.

Funding Cannot be Used for:

- Any activity or event that does not occur in Western Australia.
- Overseas and interstate travel, camps, conferences, trade exhibitions, events, workshops, catering and food.

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- Capital works, equipment, fundraising, purchase of infrastructure or costs associated with running an organisation.
- The advancement or promotion of religion, religious outlook or faith-based activities.
- The advancement or promotion of a political organisation or political outlook.
- School activities that form part of the core curriculum.
- Activities that are already established, have been previously trialled or duplicate existing activities.
- Ongoing projects that require continuing support.
- Programs that are the responsibility of State or Federal Government. However, this may not preclude corporate ventures.
- The production of films, videos, books, pamphlets and publications that are not part of a broader program.
- Treatment/rehabilitation/counselling/therapy and direct health service delivery or the provision of food and welfare assistance.
- Projects that are not based on best practice in health promotion.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Email
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G11982/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G11982/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G11982/apply
Email: healthway@healthway.wa.gov.au **Phone:** 133 777

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Healthy Sports Program

Funding Provider
Healthway

Location
WA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G09609

Primary Category
Health

Eligible to
Not-for-Profit

Funding
$4,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Healthway works in partnership to build a healthy and more active Western Australia. The Healthy Sporting Club Program supports one of our five key priority areas, increasing healthy eating.

Overview

The Healthy Sports program is open year-round, and covers a period of two years, providing adequate time for planning, development and execution of healthy eating actions.

Funding of up to $2,000 is available to sporting clubs to undertake simple healthy eating actions. Additionally, clubs with a canteen/ kiosk can apply for extra funding of up to $2,000 ($4,000 in total) to improve its facilities to support the sale of healthy items. Registered District Sporting Associations with a canteen/kiosk can also apply for option 2.

Funding Option	Who's eligible	Funding amount
OPTION 1: Healthy Clubs	Sporting Clubs	Up to $2,000
OPTION 2: Healthy Clubs + Canteen	Sporting Clubs and District Associations with a canteen/kiosk	Up to $4,000

Funding Option 1: Healthy Clubs

Healthy Clubs funding is available to sporting clubs who do not have canteen facilities but can take action to promote the importance of healthy eating. (Clubs with a canteen/kiosk and district associations can also apply for an extra $2,000

Funding Option 1: Healthy Clubs Funding

Funding up to $2,000 can be provided to support your club to implement the Healthy Clubs program.

Up to $500 (through a gift voucher) can be provided to the Healthy Club Co-ordinator for investing their time to improve the health of your members. A tool kit with a checklist has been developed to guide you through this process.

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The other $1,500 can be used in ways that assist you in promoting healthy eating as suggested in the tool kit.

Funding Option 2: Clubs and District Associations with a canteen/kiosk

Clubs with a canteen/kiosk can apply for extra funding of $2,000 ($4,000 in total) to increase the availability of healthy food and drink options provided through the club canteen/kiosk. If you are club without a canteen/kiosk please refer to Funding Option 1: Healthy Clubs page 6 for available funding.

District sporting associations with canteen/kiosk facilities are also eligible to apply for $4,000 to increase the availability of healthy food and drinks provided through its centre.

It is an essential requirement of this component of funding that at least one person from your club or district association completes the Fuel to Go & Play® Canteen & Food service staff online training.

Limitations

Eligibility:

To be eligible for Healthy Sports funding, clubs and district associations are required to meet the following criteria:

- Be an incorporated association, company, statutory body or trust.
- Be ABN registered or provide a 'Statement by Supplier' form.
- Fulfil all previous acquittal requirements for Healthway funded programs.
- Compete in (club) or facilitate (district association) a recognised sporting competition.
- Hold a public liability insurance policy of at least $10,000,000 for the term of the project.
- Have appropriate Health and Safety and Risk Management policies and practices in place to deliver the project.
- Comply with all State and Commonwealth Laws which apply to the project.

A club or district association is not eligible if it:

- Has an existing Healthway partnership for the same period.
- Has received Healthy Sporting Club funding in either 2021 or 2022.
- Does not involve juniors (up to 18 years of age)
- Receives or is eligible to receive Healthway funding directly through a State Sporting Organisation.

Generally funding is not provided to organisations that have arrangements (direct or indirect) with sponsors or supporters resulting in the promotion of unhealthy brands or messages* as outlined in our Co-Supporters Policy.

To meet this requirement of funding, you will need to demonstrate that your club doesn't have any unhealthy supporters or sponsors. In some circumstances Healthway may still provide support for clubs or associations transitioning out of long-term agreements. Please refer to Healthway's Co-Supporters Policy on our website for further information.

To ensure funded activities align with their core purpose of promoting and facilitating good health, several minimum requirements are applied as a condition of funding. Please refer to Healthway's Minimum Health Requirements Policy on our website for further information.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G09609/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G09609/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G09609/apply
Email: healthway@healthway.wa.gov.au **Phone:** 133 777

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Medical Cooling and Heating Electricity Concession Scheme

Funding Provider
Smart Service Queensland

Location
QLD

Funding Type
Cash Grant G05429

Primary Category
Health

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$522 (approx)
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

To assist low-income Queenslanders who have specific medical conditions to meet the electricity costs they incur through frequent operation of an air-conditioner to regulate their body temperature.

Overview

The Medical Cooling and Heating Electricity Concession Scheme helps with electricity costs for people who have a chronic medical condition, such as multiple sclerosis, autonomic system dysfunction, significant burns or a severe inflammatory skin condition, which is aggravated by changes in temperature.

It currently provides $522.09 (including GST) per year to eligible applicants (eligibility is reviewed every two years). Rebate figure takes effect from 1 July 2025.

Limitations

You must:

- be a Queensland resident and
- have a qualifying medical condition and need cooling or heating to stop your symptoms becoming significantly worse. Qualifying medical conditions include:
    - multiple sclerosis
    - autonomic system dysfunction
    - loss of skin integrity or sweating capacity
    - severe compromise of functioning such as mobility at extremes of environmental temperature
    - hypersensitivity to extremes of environmental temperature leading to increased pain or other discomfort or an increased risk of complications and
- live at your principal place of residence, which has an air-conditioning unit.

The applicant and/or legal guardian of a minor with a qualifying medical condition must:

- hold a current Services Australia or Department of Veterans' Affairs Pensioner Concession Card or a current Services Australia Health Care Card and
- be financially responsible for paying the electricity bill.

If you are already receiving the Electricity Rebate or other energy concessions, you can apply for this concession.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Mail
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G05429/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G05429/apply
Email: concessions@smartservice.qld.gov.au **Phone:** 13QGOV (13 74 68)

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NSW Health Workforce Scholarship Program

Funding Provider
NSW Rural Doctors Network (RDN)

Location
NSW

Funding Type
Scholarship S05548

Primary Category
Health

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$10,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds

Opens **5 Jan 2026** Closes **16 Feb 2026**

Opens **1 Apr 2026** Closes **13 May 2026**

Last Round
Closed **12 Nov 2025**

Purpose

The Health Workforce Scholarship Program provides scholarships and bursaries to help health professionals in rural and remote Australia retain and enhance their skills, capacity and scope of practice.

Overview

The Program is an initiative of the Australian Government Department of Health and Aged Care, administered in New South Wales by Rural Doctors Network (RDN).

The HWSP is available to medical, nursing, midwifery, allied health, dental and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health professionals providing primary health care in the Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Services (ACCHS) sector, non-government organisations and private practice.

The HWSP offers two types of funding:

- **Scholarships**: A payment up to $10,000 per financial year, for up to two years, toward the cost of completing a postgraduate course leading to a postgraduate qualification
- **Bursaries**: A payment up to $10,000 (maximum of $10,000 in total per financial year) for professional development and upskilling course fees and associated accommodation and travel-related expenses.

RDN opens several application rounds in a financial year.

- Round 1 2025/2026 applications are open between 01/07/2025 - 12/08/2025 - For courses that commence on or after 01/07/2025
- Round 2 2025/2026 applications are open between 01/10/2025 - 12/11/2025 - For courses that commence on or after 01/10/2025
- Round 3 2025/2026 applications are open between 05/01/2026 - 16/02/2026 - For courses that commence on or after 05/01/2025
- Round 4 2025/2026 applications are open between 01/04/2026 - 13/05/2026 - For courses that commence on or after 01/04/2025

Limitations

Eligibility:

Health professional who has obtained their primary professional qualification (minimum of a Bachelor's degree unless otherwise noted below), holds professional registration (AHPRA or other relevant peak body) and is working in one of the following roles:

- Medical Practitioner
- Nurse or Midwife (qualification minimum Diploma level)
- Dentist
- Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Health Worker/Practitioner (minimum Certificate 4 in Primary Health Care)
- Allied Health Professions providing services in priority study areas:
    - Audiologist
    - Chiropractor
    - Counsellor/ Psychotherapist
    - Dietitian
    - Exercise physiologist
    - Occupational therapist
    - Optometrist
    - Osteopath

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- Physiotherapist
- Pharmacist
- Podiatrist
- Psychologist
- Social worker
- Speech pathologist

Please guidelines for additional eligibility requirements.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05548/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05548/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05548/apply
Email: hwsp@nswrdn.com.au **Phone:** 02 4924 8000

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Networking for Cancer Equity Grant Program

Funding Provider
Cancer Australia

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19819

Primary Category
Health

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Business

Funding
Amount: $100,000 to $250,000
Total Pool: $1,000,000

Rounds
Closes **6 Feb 2026**

Purpose

The Australian Government, through Cancer Australia, is delivering the Networking for Cancer Equity Grant Program to strengthen and connect cancer care networks across Australia. This program supports innovation and collaboration to improve access to high-quality cancer care for people living in outer-metropolitan, regional, rural and remote communities.

Overview

The Networking for Cancer Equity Grant Program is delivered by Cancer Australia as part of the Australian Government's commitment to cancer reform and equity through the Australian Cancer Plan.

Grants fund pilot initiatives and activities that demonstrate new and innovative models to improve access to comprehensive cancer care, with a focus on collaboration, equity and sustainability.

Activities may include initiatives that address persistent disparities in access to comprehensive cancer care for priority populations identified in the Australian Cancer Plan, including people living in rural and remote areas, and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

The program supports the activation of the Australian Comprehensive Cancer Network, a virtual national network connecting cancer services across Australia to enable collaboration, sharing of expertise, and access to the highest quality cancer care as close to home as safely possible.

Limitations

To apply for the Networking for Cancer Equity grant, applicants must:

- Be an outer metropolitan, regional, rural, or remote cancer service.
- Be a registered member, or willing to become a member, of the Australian Comprehensive Cancer Network (ACCN) and commit to its Standards of Excellence.
- Be able to form a partnership with at least one larger cancer service for each activity in the application.

("Larger" means a service that undertakes a greater range of cancer services and related research activity than the lead organisation.)

Please refer to Section 4 of the Grant Opportunity Guidelines for full details.

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Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19819/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19819/guidelines
Email: ACCNGrants@canceraustralia.gov.au

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Palliative Medicines in Community Pharmacy (PMCP) Project Grant

Funding Provider
Health and Community Services Directorate (ACT)

Location
ACT

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19717

Primary Category
Health

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- University
- Business

Funding
Total Pool: $922,000

Rounds
Closes **28 Jan 2026 4:00pm**

Purpose

This grant supports the establishment of an after-hours palliative care medicines service in the ACT.

Overview

The service will enable greater access to palliative medicines and pharmacy support for Canberrans who are palliative and wish to be cared for at home.

This grant will fund a community organisation to project manage the delivery of the PMCP Project across the ACT. The successful organisation will be required to:

- design and deliver the PMCP project
- manage a grant process to engage participating pharmacies
- administer grant management and oversight
- establish and run a PMCP project community of practice (CoP)
- design an evaluation framework and collect and analyse data.

The successful community organisation will have experience working with primary health providers, managing communities of practice, and an understanding of the palliative approach.

Limitations

You can apply if you:

- have an Australian Business Number (ABN) or Australian Company Number (ACN)
- are registered for the purposes of GST
- have an account with an Australian financial institution, and be one of the following entity types:
    - A company incorporated in the ACT under the Associations Incorporation Act 1991
    - A company limited by guarantee and incorporated under the Corporations Act 2001 (Commonwealth)
    - An incorporated trustee on behalf of a trust
    - An incorporated association
    - A partnership
    - A joint (consortia) application with a lead organisation
    - A registered charity or not-for-profit organisation
    - Publicly funded research organisation
- are financially viable to deliver the project over the term of the grant.
- meet the criteria under 'Eligible services' in the Grant Requirements document.
- are compliant with ACT policy priorities, and where applicable Secure Local Jobs Code (SLJC) certification. Where SLJC certification is not applicable, it is highly recommended that you are SLJC certified or working towards certification.

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Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19717/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19717/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19717/apply
Email: AEOLPolicy@act.gov.au

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Partnerships for culturally safe cancer care grant program

Funding Provider
Cancer Australia

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19672

Primary Category
Health

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- State Govt
- Local Govt

Funding
$700,000
Total Pool: $18,000,000 (approx)

Rounds
Closes **3 Feb 2026**

Purpose

Cancer Australia established the*Partnerships for culturally safe cancercare*grant program to facilitate innovative, community-informed improvements to the delivery of cancer care for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities across Australia.

Overview

Addressing long-standing equity and cultural safety issues within mainstream health services where specialist cancer care is delivered is crucial to ensuring Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people can access and complete high quality treatment and experience better outcomes.

Nearly $18 million is available over 2024-25 to 2026-27 through the program to close the gap in cancer outcomes and experiences for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

Grants of up to $700,000 over two years are available to mainstream cancer services in partnership with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community-controlled organisations to embed culturally safe, accessible, and responsive care across the cancer sector.

Limitations

To apply for the grant, applicants must demonstrate a partnership between a mainstream cancer service (lead organisation) and at least one Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community-controlled organisation (partnering organisation).

Eligible organisations include:

Lead organisation

- Mainstream cancer service (public or private) that support the screening, diagnosis, management, and treatment of people with cancer, their families, and communities.

Partnering organisation/s

- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community-controlled organisations that provide primary and supportive care for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and communities.
- Not-for-profit organisations that support Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people affected by cancer.

The lead organisation must fill out the application form.

Please refer to Section 4 of the Grant Opportunity Guidelines for information on eligibility.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online

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Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19672/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19672/apply
Email: FirstNationsGrants@canceraustralia.gov.au

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RM Gibson Program

Funding Provider
Australian Association of Gerontology

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Research R00091

Primary Category
Health

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$10,000

Rounds
not defined

Purpose

The RM Gibson Program of the AAG Research Trust supports early career researchers and practitioners working across the multidisciplinary field of ageing.

Overview

The program was set up to honour the memory of Dr Richard (Dick) Maxwell Gibson, who played a foundation role in the development of gerontology within Australia and beyond.

In 2025, the RM Gibson Program is offering:

- Up to three grants of up to $10,000 (inc GST) each; and
- A possible additional grant of up to $10,000 (inc GST), for applications with a substantive dementia focus, made possible through a partnership between the AAG Research Trust and the Dementia Australia Research Foundation (DARF).

RMG grants are designed to:

- facilitate early career learning and growth by providing seed funding for a standalone project or a discrete piece of work within an existing project; and
- help build your grant track record.

Limitations

To apply for an RMG grant, applicants:

- Must be AAG members when they apply for a grant and for the full duration of the funded project;
- Must fit the definition of an early career researcher or practitioner as defined above.
- May lead only one grant application per funding round but may be a co-investigator on other applications to any AAG Research Trust grant program.
- May be the lead investigator on only one current AAG Research Trust grant of any kind at one time

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/R00091/info
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Email: grants@aag.asn.au

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Speech Pathology and Occupational Therapy Student Grant Program

Funding Provider
Department of Health (VIC)

Location
VIC

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19449

Primary Category
Health

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$15,000

Rounds
Closes **24 Feb 2026**

Purpose

The Victorian Government is offering grants to incentivise final year students in speech pathology and occupational therapy to work in regional and rural Victoria upon their course completion.

Overview

Up to 436 grants of $15,000 each, are available from 2024 to 2026 inclusive.

The grants comprise a maximum of $15,000 and will be delivered in two instalment payments paid six months apart. These include:

1. The first instalment payment of $7,500 to support costs associated with relocation and establishment in a regional or rural community.
2. The second instalment payment of $7,500 if still employed in regional or rural health or educational setting at the time of the second payment.

Limitations

To be eligible for the grants under this Program in 2024, 2025 and 2026, applicants must meet the following requirements relating to:

- Residency;
- Employment; and
- Education.

Residency:

Applicants must meet the residency requirements and/or hold valid working rights to work in Australia at the time of application and grant payments.

For the purposes of this grant, this is defined as:

- An Australian citizen
- A New Zealand citizen (or hold dual citizenship of either Australia or New Zealand)
- An Australian permanent resident
- Holder of an Australian permanent humanitarian visa, or
- Holder of another valid visa permitting the applicant to work in their chosen profession in Australia (in either speech pathology or occupational therapy).

Employment:

Applicants must satisfy the following employment requirements:

Employment location

- Employment as a speech pathologist or occupational therapist in a Victorian regional or rural location (including cross border communities).
- The location must be in the 48 regional local government areas (LGAs) for more information see Victoria's Regions on the Regional Victoria website.

The list of eligible cross border communities is detailed in Appendix 2 of the guidelines.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online

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Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19449/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19449/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19449/apply
Email: spots@grants.vic.gov.au

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Sponsorships

Funding Provider
VicHealth

Location
VIC

Funding Type
In-kind Contribution U00463

Primary Category
Health

Eligible to
- TAFE
- School
- Not-for-Profit
- University
- Local Govt
- Business

Funding
$5,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

VicHealth offers sponsorship funding for one-off events such as conferences, festivals, open days, and community activities.

Overview

VicHealth offers sponsorship funding of up to $5,000 per event for one-off events such as conferences, festivals, open days, and community activities.

To be eligible, your event or activity must:

- Be a **one-off event** (not a project or ongoing program)
- Take place **at least 10 weeks** after you submit your application
- Be held in **Victoria** or benefit the **Victorian community**
- Align with the **VicHealth Strategy 2023-2033**
- Offer agreed **sponsorship benefits** to VicHealth
- Declare any relationships with **harmful industries**

Sponsorship applications are open all year. Applications are assessed at the end of each month (except December - these are assessed in January).

Limitations

General eligibility

- VicHealth can only provide funding to incorporated bodies. If you are part of an unincorporated body, you can only receive funding if your application is made under the#auspices#of another eligible organisation.
- VicHealth can only provide funding for programs that will be delivered in Victoria.
- VicHealth cannot fund an organisation that receives any funding, sponsorship or any other kind of endorsement from any person or organisation involved in or affiliated with the production, manufacture or marketing of tobacco, smoking or tobacco related products, or that endorses, promotes, sponsors or otherwise is affiliated with tobacco, smoking or tobacco related products.
- If your organisation has received VicHealth funding before#(and the grant project is complete), VicHealth may need to see and approve records of how you spent VicHealth funding before you can apply for more funding#(see#Important conditions of funding#below).
- Your funding application must meet the specific requirements of the funding opportunity, and must be received on time. Your application and supporting documentation must not contain incomplete or fraudulent information.
- Funding can't be provided for activities that have already taken place.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00463/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00463/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00463/apply

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Email: partnerships@vichealth.vic.gov.au

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Supporting People with Cancer Grant

Funding Provider
Cancer Australia

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19811

Primary Category
Health

Eligible to
Not-for-Profit

Funding
Amount: $50,000 to $120,000
Total Pool: $480,000

Rounds
Closes **30 Jan 2026**

Purpose

The Supporting people with cancer Grant initiative is an annual grants program that aims to support people affected with cancer through actions to improve equity in cancer outcomes and experiences.

Overview

The aim of the opportunity is to improve the outcomes and experiences for all people affected by cancer in Australia, particularly for those groups whose health outcomes are poorest, in alignment with the Plan.

The objective of the opportunity is to fund community-led, evidence-based projects that address the strategic objectives and actions outlined in the Plan, including projects that:

- Build equity across the cancer control spectrum by:
  - supporting one or more of the priority population groups identified in the Plan and/or
  - supporting improvements in outcomes for people whose cancer outcomes are inequitable, for example, people impacted by rare or less common cancers or cancers with poorer outcomes
- Have national applicability and can be able to be applied locally

The intended outcomes of the opportunity are to:

- address inequities and priorities across the whole cancer journey
- improve availability of co-designed, tailored information and care for consumers
- deliver cancer prevention and health promotion activities

Eligible organisations can apply for the 2026 SPWC grant opportunity under two categories (section 4.1):

- Category 1: Community organisations
- Category 2: Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander organisations

Limitations

Eligibility

Two categories of organisations are eligible to receive a grant where they meet the following eligibility criteria.

Category 1: Community organisation

To be eligible you must:

- be a registered charity or not-for-profit organisation, and
- demonstrate ongoing and culturally acceptable connections with community, including one or more priority population groups or people whose cancer outcomes are inequitable.

Category 2: Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander organisation

To be eligible you must:

- be a registered Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander charity or not-for-profit organisation, or
- be an Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Corporation registered under the Corporations (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander) Act 2006, and
- demonstrate ongoing and culturally acceptable connections with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities.

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Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Email
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19811/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19811/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19811/apply
Email: SPWC@canceraustralia.gov.au

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The APS College Of Counselling Psychologists Doctoral Award

Funding Provider
Australian Psychological Society (APS)

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Award A00026

Primary Category
Health

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$250
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **31 Jul 2026**

Last Round
Closed **31 Jul 2025**

Purpose

The APS College Of Counselling Psychologists Doctoral Award promotes the conduct of scientific research relevant to practice issues and the dissemination of research findings to the community of counselling psychologist practitioners by acknowledging the overall best student completing an APAC-accredited doctoral program in Counselling Psychology at an Australian tertiary institution in that calendar year.

Overview

Each doctoral thesis will be assessed having regard to the following criteria:

i. originality of contribution to counselling psychology literature - 30%
ii. degree of relevance to the practice of counselling psychology - 30%
iii. cogency of the work - 30%
iv. presentation and adherence to APA referencing requirements - 10%.

Each member of the selection committee will independently rate each entrant on the above criteria and the successful candidate and runner-up will be selected upon the basis of the aggregate of the marks awarded by each member of the selection committee.

In the event that two theses receive the same aggregate of marks, the members of the selection committee will confer and may consider any other aspects in addition to those set out above in order to determine which thesis is best overall.

Following a specific request from a student, members of the selection committee may provide general feedback on a student's thesis, but are not obliged to do so.

Limitations

Candidates must be full-time or part-time students currently enrolled in an APAC-accredited counselling psychology doctoral program either at the time of application or in the year preceding the date of their nomination.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/A00026/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/A00026/apply
Address: College of Counselling Psychologists Doctoral Award Member Group Administrator (Colleges) The Australian Psychological Society PO Box 38 Flinders Lane 8009 VIC
Email: colleges@psychology.org.au **Phone:** 03 8662 3300

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Acquisitions Grants

Funding Provider
Copland Foundation

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G08196

Primary Category
Heritage and history

Eligible to
Not-for-Profit
DGR Required

Funding
$50,000 (approx)
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

To assist galleries, museums and historic houses in the acquisition of objects that may come up at auction.

Overview

The study, management, conservation, acquisition, and interpretation of collections;

1. The study, management, conservation, acquisition and interpretation of relevant historic architecture,
2. The provision of education programs, whether for staff of such museums, institutions, societies, organisations or for the general public,
3. The purchase of art works and/or other artefacts, to be identified on public display by the purchaser as a gift from the Copland Foundation.

To assist galleries, museums and historic houses in the acquisition of objects that may come up at auction, the Trustees will consider such applications at any time of the year. All applications must be set out on the appropriate form which requires a description of the object, provenance, a full condition report, as well amount applied for and the benefits of its acquisition to the applying institution. Should an application be successful funds will only be released for the purchase of the object outlined in the application. Whilst on public display, such objects must be identified by the purchaser as a gift from the Copland Foundation.

Level of Assistance

The maximum grant available will not normally exceed $50,000, though additional funds may be made available in special circumstances. Applications may be made under the grant program to fully or partly fund an acquisition. All grants are paid exclusive of GST.

Limitations

Eligibility

To be eligible for assistance a museum/institution must:

- Be recognised as a recipient institution under the Commonwealth Government's Cultural Gifts Program or as an endorsed Deductible Gift Recipient (DGR)
- Be open to the public
- Be seeking assistance to:
    - acquire, conserve or interpret an object or collection of objects or
    - conserve or restore features of an historic building used for cultural purposes, its garden and/or surrounds.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G08196/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G08196/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G08196/apply
Email: copland.foundation@gmail.com **Phone:** 0413 458 885

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Government Owned Heritage Fund

Funding Provider
Department for Environment and Water (SA)

Location
SA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19697

Primary Category
Heritage and history

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- State Govt
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
Total Pool: Unknown

Rounds
Closes **9 Apr 2026**

Purpose

The Government Owned Heritage (GOH) Fund supports the conservation of state-owned State Heritage Places, through the provision of professional and financial assistance.

Overview

The objectives of the GOH Fund are to:

- Provide financial incentive to conserve and manage State Heritage Places.
- Provide heritage advice to assist Agencies to deliver projects to a high standard.
- Help Agencies develop conservation documentation and asset surveys for all State Heritage Places.
- Maximise conservation works that enhance the public realm or benefit the wider community.

Limitations

Who is eligible?

- State-government agencies who own and/or manage government-owned State Heritage Places.
- Incorporated bodies who occupy or care for state government-owned State Heritage Places under formal agreement with the State Government.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19697/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19697/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19697/apply
Email: dewheritage@sa.gov.au **Phone:** 08 8372 7521

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Heritage Conservation Grants Program

Funding Provider
Department for Environment and Water (SA)

Location
SA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19722

Primary Category
Heritage and history

Eligible to
- Business

Funding
Amount: $1,000 to $20,000

Rounds
Closes **19 Mar 2026**

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Purpose

If you own a State Heritage Place or a place within a State Heritage Area and are planning a conservation project that will help to conserve or protect significant fabric or heritage values, you may be eligible to receive a Heritage Conservation Grant.

Overview

The minimum grant for any project is $1,000. There are categories of funding;

1. **Simple**- **up to $5,000** (GST exclusive) – Projects may include - , e.g. Architect fees, conservation management plans, dilapidation reports, development application drawings/schedules. Simple projects with only one component, e.g. Salt damp treatment or re-roofing.
2. **Complex** – **up to $10,000** (GST exclusive) – THIS IS THE MAXIMUM AVAILABLE TO RESIDENTIAL PROPERTIES. Projects for residential properties with multiple components such as reinstatement of lost significant fabric or larger, more complex repairs e.g. façade conservation including timber repair and salt damp treatment; roof and gutter replacement including new roof framing and fascias.
3. **Major**– **up to $20,000** (GST exclusive) - ONLY AVAILABLE FOR NON-RESIDENTIAL PROPERTIES. Projects for non-residential properties with multiple components addressing at least two of the Assessment Criteria, e.g. (1) Places at risk; (2) Adaptive re-use.

Limitations

Who can apply?

- Owners of State Heritage Places including private owners, companies, community groups & local government
- Individuals or groups with written permission from the owner to submit an application on their behalf
- Owners or businesses within a State Heritage Area (for eligible work)
- Unsuccessful applicants from previous funding rounds are invited to re-apply
- State Heritage Places owned by the State government are not eligible (may be eligible for GOH Fund).

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19722/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19722/guidelines

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19722/apply
Email: DEW.HeritageGrants@sa.gov.au

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Heritage Council sponsorships

Funding Provider
Department of Planning, Lands and Heritage (WA)

Location
WA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G13275

Primary Category
Heritage and history

Eligible to
- TAFE
- Not-for-Profit
- School
- University
- Business
- Local Govt

Funding
$20,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Heritage Council sponsorships deliver partnerships that will support heritage in Western Australia. Organisers of events or activities can apply for funding in return for assisting with the delivery of one or more of the Heritage Council's key strategic outcomes.

Overview

Sponsored activities must meet one or more of the following outcomes:

- demonstrate sustainability and economic benefits of heritage conservation and adaptation

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- deliver or contribute to training and education in heritage conservation management
- develop understanding of the importance of heritage and its conservation
- contribute to brand awareness for a nominated Heritage Council or a Department brand within relevant market sectors.
- promote community understanding of, and engagement with, the State's heritage places
- promote and encourage heritage tourism
- make other demonstrated contribution to the Heritage Council and Department's strategic objectives.

Activities will generally be open to the general public or to a broad group within a relevant profession or interest area. Content should include positive messages or information about heritage or a closely related area.

Preference will be given to activities and events whose primary purpose supports education and promotion relating to heritage and its components.

Applications are currently only being excepted for events/projects to be undertaken in the 2025-26 Financial Year.

Limitations

Who can apply?

Any organisation, not-for-profit, local government or commercial entity operating an event or activity that supports one or more of the required heritage outcomes may apply. Individuals cannot apply.

What isn't supported?

Conservation works or the undertaking of conservation management plans are supported under the Heritage Council's heritage grants program and are not eligible for sponsorship.

Proposals that are strongly related to a specific commercial brand or product will not be supported unless the Heritage Council and Department are confident that sponsorship would not be seen as an endorsement or recommendation of that product.

Activities that take place within a heritage site but do not otherwise provide information or interpretation of the site will not be supported.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G13275/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G13275/guidelines

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G13275/apply
Email: HCWAincentives@dplh.wa.gov.au **Phone:** 08 6551 8002

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National Cultural Heritage Account

Funding Provider
Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communications, Sport and the Arts

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G08444

Primary Category
Heritage and history

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual

Funding
Total Pool: $500,000

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The National Cultural Heritage Account helps Australian public cultural organisations buy significant objects that they could not otherwise afford.

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Overview

A total of $500,000 is available each year. You can apply at any time. Funding is approved on a case-by-case basis.

The National Cultural Heritage Account keeps Australian protected objects in Australia so they can be preserved and made available to the public.

Cultural organisations that can care for and provide permanent public access to Australian protected objects have a priority for funding.

Individuals can also apply if they intend to gift the object to an eligible cultural institution with a permanent public collection. In these cases, the grant and the gifting of the object must be simultaneous.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander groups can apply for funding even if they do not have a permanent public collection. This is because of the special significance of Class A objects of heritage to Indigenous communities.

Limitations

Who can apply

Australian cultural institutions can apply for funding. This includes museums, art galleries, libraries, archives, historic buildings, national trusts and local history museums and galleries, and Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander keeping places for sacred/secret material.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G08444/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G08444/guidelines

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G08444/apply
Contact: Cultural Property Section **Address:** Department of Communications and the Arts GPO Box 2154 Canberra 2601 ACT
Email: movable.heritage@arts.gov.au **Phone:** 1800 819 461

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Restoring Community War Memorials and Avenues of Honour Grant Program

Funding Provider
Department of Families, Fairness and Housing (DFFH) (VIC)

Location
VIC

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19613

Primary Category
Heritage and history

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Local Govt
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
Amount: $1 to $30,000
Total Pool: $30,000

Rounds
Closes **3 Feb 2026 5pm**

Purpose

This program supports local war memorials in Victoria that commemorate Victorians who served in wars, conflicts and peacekeeping operations.

Overview

The Restoring Community War Memorials and Avenues of Honour Grant Program offers funding for community groups to support veterans and reflect their service within the community.

Funding is available in two stages to restore war memorials, honour rolls and avenues of honour to their original condition. Memorials can also be changed to better reflect local veteran service:

- Stage 1: Up to $10,000 for the planning of restoration projects
- Stage 2: Up to $30,000 for the implementation of earlier planned projects

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You can only make one application per project. You cannot apply for this grant if your project has already started.

Limitations

To be eligible for this program, your organisation must have a valid Australian Business Number (ABN).

If you do not have an ABN, you must provide written advice from the Australian Taxation Office that no withholding tax is required from the grant payment.

Your organisation must also be:

- a company incorporated under the *Corporations Act 2001* and registered as not-for-profit through the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission (ACNC), or
- an organisation incorporated under the *Associations Incorporation Reform Act 2012, Corporations Act 2001* (Cth) or equivalent state legislation.

If your organisation is unincorporated, you can arrange for an incorporated organisation to act as an auspice on your behalf. Refer to the 'Auspice arrangements' on page section.

Or unincorporated organisations are eligible if they are:

- a government entity. For example a local council
- a social enterprise with a clearly stated purpose or mission that specifically relates to the welfare and wellbeing of veterans. Social enterprises must attach their constitution with their application.

See guidelines for detailed eligibility requirements.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19613/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19613/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19613/apply
Email: veteransgrants@dffh.vic.gov.au **Phone:** 1300 366 356

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Saluting Their Service Commemorative Grants Program

Funding Provider
Department of Veterans' Affairs

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G17221

Primary Category
Heritage and history

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Local Govt
- Business
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
$150,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **5 Feb 2026 9pm (ACT local time)**

Purpose

The STS Program provides funding for one-off, commemorative projects and activities that are ready to proceed and where the funding will ensure their completion. Projects must be able to be completed within 12 months of the funding agreement being executed.

Overview

The intended outcome of the program is to provide funding for projects and activities that:

- promote appreciation and understanding of the experiences of service, and the role of service personnel
- preserve, add to the sum of knowledge on, or provide access to information about Australia's wartime heritage.

There are 2 categories of grants available under the program:

1. Community Grants (STS-CG)

Grants up to $10,000 are available for local, community-based projects and activities.

2. Major Grants (STS-MG)

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Grants between $10,001 and $150,000 are available for major commemorative projects and activities that are significant from a national, state, territory and/or broader regional perspective.

If your project relates to restoring or changing a memorial or other commemorative artefact, there may be heritage and conservation considerations. Applicants are responsible for ensuring that all local heritage requirements are met. You may like to seek advice from your local council, RSL, the owner of the memorial, or your state or territory government heritage body.

Assessment and notification of outcomes will be divided into 2 batches. The table below identifies the cut-off dates for all 2 batches:

Batch 1 closes 9:00 pm AEST on 31 August 2025 - ID - 2024-3769 -Closed

Batch 2 closes 9:00 pm AEDT on 5 February 2026 ID - 2024-3770 - **Open**

Limitations

Eligibility:

To be eligible, you must be one of the following entity types:

- Company
- Cooperative
- Corporate State or Territory Entity
- Incorporated Association
- Indigenous Corporation
- Local Government
- Non-corporate State or Territory Entity
- Non-corporate State or Territory Statutory Authority
- Partnership
- Person
- Sole Trader
- Statutory Entity
- Unincorporated Association - grant activities up to $10,000 only.

If you are applying as a Trustee on behalf of a Trust , the Trustee must be one of the eligible entity types listed above.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G17221/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G17221/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G17221/apply
Email: support@communitygrants.gov.au

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The National Trust Heritage Awards

Funding Provider
Heritage Council of NSW

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Award A00854

Primary Category
Heritage and history

Eligible to
- TAFE
- School
- Not-for-Profit
- University
- State Govt
- Individual
- Local Govt
- Business
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **2 Mar 2026**

Purpose

The National Trust (NSW) Heritage Awards is an annual celebration of outstanding practice in the field of heritage.

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Overview

Nine award categories spotlight outstanding achievements in conserving, protecting and interpreting NSW's Aboriginal, built, natural and cultural heritage.

Aboriginal	For projects that seek to promote understanding, appreciation, conservation and/or awareness of Aboriginal heritage.
Architecture	For projects which are sympathetic to the heritage significance of a place or complement and utilise existing built heritage, including adaptive reuse or new work in historic contexts.
Advocacy	To recognise the commitment of a community group and/or individual who have pursued the protection and conservation of key heritage places, items or objects.
Built Conservation	For projects that relate to conservation of our built heritage including capital works and repair. Such projects may include buildings, structures or sites.
Interiors and Objects	For projects that relate to the conservation of historic interiors and objects. Movable heritage and collections may be included.
Landscape	For projects that relate to the conservation and care of our landscape heritage. This may include natural, urban and cultural landscapes.
Education and Interpretation	For projects that serve to educate about or interpret our heritage in an engaging way. This may include curriculum-based educational projects and resources, and specific interpretation projects relating to a place or item.
Events, Exhibitions and Tours	For events, exhibitions and tours which emphasise and promote education, interpretation and community engagement in heritage.
Resources and Publications	For any public facing resource or publication that promotes the conservation of our heritage. This may include books, research, websites, archaeological resources, heritage guidelines, fact sheets, field guides and heritage studies, both in print and online.

Individual Awards

1. Lifetime Achievement
2. Heritage Skills
3. Young Achiever

Limitations

To be eligible for entry, projects must have been completed (or will be completed) between 1 April 2025 - 1 March 2026.

A singular project can be entered separately in multiple categories. The entry fee per category entry is $85 for an individual, community group or charity, and $240 for a business or government organisation. Entrants must be a National Trust member. An individual membership of $95 can be added to your cart at the time of entry submission.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/A00854/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/A00854/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/A00854/apply
Address: Heritage Awards Manager, National Trust of Australia (NSW) GPO Box 518 Sydney 2001 NSW
Email: awards@nationaltrust.com.au **Phone:** (02) 9258 0123

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Energy Efficiency in Social Housing Program - Community Housing Upgrades grant

Funding Provider
Department of Energy, Environment and Climate Action (VIC)

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19803

Primary Category
Homelessness and housing

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Business

Funding
Average: $18,000 (approx)
Total Pool: $9,000,000

Rounds
Closes **13 Feb 2026**

Purpose

Grants for energy efficiency upgrades in community housing.

Overview

Apply for a grant of up to $18,000 on average, per property across a portfolio to undertake energy efficiency and electrification upgrades in community housing properties.

- Grants are open to Community Housing Organisations.
- Up to $9 million funding is available in round 1.
- Round 1 opens on 9 December 2025.
- Round 1 projects must be completed by 31 January 2027.
- A cash co-contribution is required from applicants for their properties.

Grants will be awarded over 3 rounds, the funding available for future rounds is subject to agreement with the Australian Government.

Limitations

The following organisations can apply for funding:

- A not-for-profit organisation that provides affordable rental housing to low-income households if it is a Registered Community Housing Organisation (or Community Housing Provider) listed on the Housing Registrar Public Register as a community housing association or provider
- confirms that the full value (100%) of energy savings achieved by the upgrades will be passed onto renters
- can confirm they are the legal owner or manager of the property and has the right to carry out the project in agreement with the owner(s) of the property.

In addition, to be eligible for funding applicants must:

- be an incorporated body, cooperative or association (including business associations).
- be financially solvent and able to provide three years of financial statements.
- participate in the Victorian Energy Upgrades program for all eligible activities.
- participate in the Small-scale Renewable Energy Scheme, to claim small-scale technology certificates (STCs) for heat pump hot water and solar installation.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19803/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19803/guidelines
Email: grantsinfo@deeca.vic.gov.au

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Regional Housing Support Fund

Funding Provider
Department of Planning, Lands and Heritage (WA)

Location
WA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19834

Primary Category
Homelessness and housing

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Business
- Local Govt

Funding
$5,000,000

Rounds
Closes **6 Feb 2026**

Purpose

The Regional Housing Support Fund (RHSF) provides grants of up to $5 million to local governments, community housing providers and landowners/developers to support key worker, community housing and residential subdivision projects in regional Western Australia.

Overview

Delivering new housing in regional Western Australia can be challenging due to additional costs associated with bringing land and housing to market. These costs include site preparation, provision of enabling infrastructure, construction and civil works - all of which impact the feasibility and affordability of projects. The extent of these feasibility gaps vary across regions, depending on factors such as location, access to finance, availability of skilled labour and materials, and local expertise.

The purpose of the Regional Housing Support Fund is to assist with addressing identified and quantified feasibility gaps in relation to enabling infrastructure, construction and civil works, subject to eligibility requirements, and to bring projects to fruition sooner.

For key worker housing or community housing projects to be eligible for funding:

- Projects must be located within, or in the vicinity of, an existing regional centre, townsite or community within regional WA, excluding the Perth and Peel metropolitan region.
- Projects must propose the delivery of three or more dwellings and/or the delivery of three or more residential lots. For dwellings, this can be across multiple lots if the delivery is undertaken as a single package. For subdivision, the proposed lots must be on a single contiguous site.
- Projects must demonstrate the timely delivery of one or more of the following outcomes:
    - New self-contained housing for affordable purchase or lease by key workers, located within a reasonable vicinity to employment locations, amenities and services.
    - Community housing accommodation situated within regional centres or townsites.
    - New serviced lots for residential dwellings.

Applications must demonstrate that the projects are capable, if funded, of timely delivery (i.e. at the stage where contractors can be engaged and construction begins).

Limitations

The Fund is open to applications from developers/landowners, community housing providers and local governments. State Government agencies may also identify projects for consideration, which meet Government priorities, objectives and complement existing projects or initiatives.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19834/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19834/guidelines

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19834/apply
Email: rhsf@dplh.wa.gov.au

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StreetSmart Community Small Grants

Funding Provider
StreetSmart

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G05786

Primary Category
Homelessness and housing

Eligible to
Not-for-Profit

Funding
Amount: Unknown
Total Pool: Unknown

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

StreetSmart plays a unique role in the homelessness sector providing funding and support for smaller community-based and grassroots homelessness and community services.

Overview

The community grants fund various responses to the homelessness and housing crisis, including but not limited to:

- emergency accommodation
- emergency aid and response
- family and domestic violence services
- food relief
- legal services
- material aid
- migrant and refugee services
- outreach and support for rough sleepers
- post-release programs
- social inclusion and connection
- tenancy establishment and support
- transitional housing and boarding house programs
- youth and young parent support

Application process:

Grants are currently by invitation only. Grant applications are submitted through an online form process once invitations have been sent out.

Potential recipients are encouraged to express their interest through their **Contact Form**.

Limitations

Registration/charitable status:

- Recipients do not need to hold DGR status.
- Recipients will preferably be an Australian charity registered with the ACNC. However, we are also able to support smaller/start-up programs that are not registered or are awaiting registration.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G05786/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G05786/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G05786/apply
Contact: Adam Robinson
Email: adam@streetsmartaustralia.org **Phone:** 0488336419

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The Peter & Lyndy White Foundation Grant

Funding Provider
The Peter & Lyndy White Foundation

Location
VIC

Funding Type
Cash Grant U00446

Primary Category
Homelessness and housing

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- DGR Required

Funding

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Foundation has decided to focus on reducing homelessness and the provision of low-income housing, as they believe all Australians should have access to affordable, safe and sustainable housing.

Overview

The Foundation will support Victorian charitable organisations that work with homeless and disadvantaged individuals in breaking the cycle of disadvantage and achieving a better quality of life.

Organisations can make an initial enquiry at any time via email.

Limitations

Eligible Organisations:

The Foundation is bound by the provisions of The Peter & Lyndy White Foundation's Trust Deed. The Foundation can only consider applications from organisations that are endorsed by the Australian Taxation Office (ATO) as a 'Deductible Gift Recipient' (DGR) and as a 'Tax Concession Charity' (TCC). Evidence of a current endorsement from the ATO is required to accompany a grant application.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Email
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00446/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00446/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00446/apply
Contact: Lucinda White
Email: lucinda@plwf.org.au

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Emergency hardship assistance grant

Funding Provider
Department of Housing and Public Works (QLD)

Location
QLD

Funding Type
Cash Grant G06580

Primary Category
Human services

Eligible to
- Individual

Funding
$900
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

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Purpose

The Emergency Hardship Assistance Grant is available as a contribution to support people directly impacted by a disaster to who are unable to meet their immediate essential needs for food, clothing, medical supplies or temporary accommodation.

Overview

This grant supports people affected by a disaster to get:

- food
- clothing
- medical supplies
- temporary accommodation.

You can apply for $180 per person, up to $900 for a family of 5 or more.

This grant isn't income or asset tested.

You will receive payment by electronic funds transfer (EFT) to the bank account you listed in your application. The timing depends on when your bank processes the payment.

When available, you can also collect a prepaid Recovery Debit Card from a Community Recovery Hub, which can be used at any shops with EFTPOS facilities and all ATMs.

Before starting your online application, check:

- your area has been activated, and the grants available in your area.

Limitations

You must meet all of these requirements:

- either live in or are stranded in an eligible area affected by a disaster event
- have suffered hardship as a result of the event
- are unable to meet your immediate essential needs for food, clothing, medical supplies or temporary accommodation.

You can't apply to repair:

- business loss or damage including compensation for loss of income
- farm or property damage (excluding principal place of residence)
- loss of tools of trade
- loss of power or essential services to your home (you may be eligible for an Essential Services Hardship Assistance grant if the loss is for more than 5 days).
- isolation within property (unless you are suffering hardship as a direct result of the event).

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online, Phone
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G06580/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G06580/apply
Phone: 1800 173 349

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Energy Bill Relief Fund

Funding Provider
Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water (DCCEEW)

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Rebate U00632

Primary Category
Human services

Eligible to
- TAFE
- Not-for-Profit
- School
- State Govt
- University
- Individual
- Local Govt
- Business
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
$150
Total Pool: Unknown

Rounds
Closes **31 Dec 2025**

Purpose

The Australian Government has announced a $1.8 billion extension of the Energy Bill Relief Fund by six months in the 2025-26 Budget.

Overview

Australian households and eligible small businesses with electricity bills may receive up to $150 in energy bill rebates from 1 July 2025 to the end of 2025. Rebates will be automatically applied to your electricity bill in two $75 quarterly instalments. Most customers do not need to take any action to receive rebates.

The Australian Government will work with state and territory governments to finalise implementation details of the 2025 extension of the program. This page may be updated after implementation details have been finalised.

Limitations

Who is eligible:

Households

Australian households who receive an electricity bill and are connected to the grid, including households in the external and non-self-governing territories, are eligible for rebates to the end of 2025.

In most cases, your electricity provider will automatically apply the bill relief to your electricity account and you will not be required to take any action.

Embedded network

Households in embedded networks (such as where you receive electricity from your strata or landlord in a caravan park, apartment building or retirement home or village) will be eligible for a rebate.

To receive the rebate, refer to the process in your state or territory.

Small businesses

To be eligible for the rebate, a small business must:

- meet the definition of 'small business' in the relevant state or territory retail energy laws (see Table 1),
- have an active electricity account on the census date of each quarter (see Table 2), and
- not be operating from a residential address under a residential electricity offering.

The rebate will be applied to eligible small businesses on an account basis (i.e. one rebate per small business customer account), where possible.

- Eligibility for multi-site businesses will be determined by the relevant state or territory.
- Retailers should take reasonable steps to prevent providing relief to non-eligible entities such as government agencies and branches of larger businesses.
- This includes deemed occupier accounts where the customer has not yet identified themselves to the retailer but has an active account (i.e. is consuming and paying for electricity on each census date).

The rebate delivered through the EBRF is in addition to any existing state and territory energy rebate scheme for small businesses.

Applications / Guidelines

Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00632/info

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Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00632/guidelines
Email: https://www.energy.gov.au/contact-us

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Essential household contents grant

Funding Provider
Department of Housing and Public Works (QLD)

Location
QLD

Funding Type
Cash Grant G06581

Primary Category
Human services

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
Amount: $0 to $5,300
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Essential Household Contents Grant (EHCG) helps people who are uninsured, or unable to claim insurance, and who meet an income test, by providing a contribution towards repairing or replacing essential household contents that have been damaged or lost in a disaster.

Overview

This Grant has been activated for:

- Western Qld Rainfall and Flooding March 2025
- Tropical Cyclone Alfred March 2025
- North and Far North Tropical Low from January 2025
- Tropical Cyclone Kirrily January 2024
- Tropical Cyclone Jasper December 2023
- Toowoomba fires November 2023
- North Queensland fires October 2023
- Bundaberg and Gladstone bushfires October 2023
- Western Darling Downs bushfires October 2023
- Northern and Central Queensland monsoon and flooding March 2023
- Western Downs bushfire February 2023

Grants of up to $1,765 for single adults and up to $5,300 for couples or families to help with replacing or repairing essential household contents, such as beds, linen and whitegoods, that have been lost or damaged in a disaster.

Income test (how much you earn)

The income amounts outlined below are applicable for disaster events that occur after 1 July 2025. For income testing information regarding earlier disaster events, please contact the Community Recovery Hotline on 1800 173 349.

Your gross (before tax) weekly income must be less than or equal to:

- individual: $1,208 ($62,794 per year)
- couple: $1,670 ($86,818 per year)
- sole parent, one child: $1,670 ($86,878 per year)
- couple, one child: $2,071 ($107,650 per year).

For each additional child, add $401 per week.

For each dependent adult, add $462 per week.

The income test is applied to all adults over the age of 18 on the application.

Adult dependents over the age of 18 are encouraged to submit their own application.

How it's paid

You will receive payment by either:

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- electronic funds transfer (EFT) to the bank account you listed in your application. The timing depends on when your bank processes the payment.
- cheque sent to the address listed in your application.

Note: Some of the grants require additional information, before they can be processed. If they need more information to process your application, they will call you. This call will come from a private number.

Limitations

Eligibility:

You can be a tenant or an owner-occupier in the home that was affected. People who aren't Australian citizens can also apply for this grant.

You must meet all of these requirements:

You must meet all these requirements:

- your principal place of residence (home) is in an eligible area for a disaster event
- you were living in your principal place of residence (which includes a caravan or boat) when the disaster happened.
- your essential household items were lost or damaged as a result of the disaster.
- you must own the essential household items which you are claiming for.
- you must **not** hold an insurance policy that covers you for expenses or losses sustained during the disaster
- if you hold an insurance policy:
    - you do not have coverage for a particular event (e.g. storm/flood) and/or
    - you must have evidence that the insurance claim has been declined.
- you must qualify under the income test

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online, Phone
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G06581/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G06581/apply
Phone: 1800 173 349

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Essential services safety and reconnection grant

Funding Provider
Department of Housing and Public Works (QLD)

Location
QLD

Funding Type
Cash Grant G06583

Primary Category
Human services

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$4,200
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Essential Services Safety and Reconnection Scheme (ESSRS) helps people who are uninsured, or unable to claim insurance, and who meet an income test (where applicable), by providing a contribution towards inspecting, repairing and reconnecting essential services, i.e. electricity, gas, water or sewerage, that were damaged by a disaster.

Overview

This Grant has been activated for:

- Western Qld Rainfall and Flooding March 2025
- Tropical Cyclone Alfred March 2025
- North and Far North Tropical Low from January 2025
- Tropical Cyclone Kirrily January 2024
- Tropical Cyclone Jasper December 2023
- Toowoomba fires November 2023

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- North Queensland fires October 2023
- Bundaberg and Gladstone bushfires October 2023
- Western Darling Downs bushfires October 2023
- Northern and Central Queensland monsoon and flooding March 2023
- Western Downs bushfire February 2023

There are 2 parts to the grant:

- Inspection: up to $200 towards a safety inspection for each essential service needing reconnection (electricity, gas, water, and sewerage or septic system)
- Repair: up to $4200 towards repair work needed to reconnect these essential services (for example, electrical rewiring).

Income test (how much you earn)

The gross weekly income amounts outlined below are applicable for disaster events that occur after 01 July 2025. For income testing information regarding earlier disaster events, please contact the Community Recovery Hotline on1800 173 349.

Your gross (before tax) weekly income must be less than or equal to:

- individual: $1,208 ($62,794 per year)
- couple: $1,670 ($86,818 per year)
- sole parent, one child: $1,670 ($86,878 per year)
- couple, one child: $2,071 ($107,650 per year).

For each additional child, add a further $401 per week. For each dependent adult, add $462 per week.

The assessment will only consider the income of title holders residing in the impacted property.

Where a property is jointly owned by 2 or more people, the income test is applied to all title holders of the property.

Western Qld Rainfall and Flooding March 2025 - Income testing limits have been temporarily removed for eligible people affected by the Western Qld Rainfall and Flooding disaster event.

Tropical Cyclone Jasper and South East Queensland Severe Thunderstorms

Income testing limits have temporarily increased for eligible people affected by the Tropical Cyclone Jasper December 2023 and the SEQ Severe Thunderstorms Christmas Day 2023 disaster events.

The applicant's gross (before tax) weekly income must be less than or equal to:

- individual: $2,308 ($120,000 per year)
- couple: $3,135 ($163,000)
- sole parent, one child: $3,135 ($163,000 per year)
- couple, one child: $3,885 ($202,000 per year).

For each additional child, add a further $800 per week. For each dependent adult, add $860 per week.

Where a property is jointly owned by 2 or more people, the income test is applied to all title holders of the property.

Limitations

Eligibility:

You must meet all of these requirements:

- your principal place of residence (home) is an eligible area affected by the disaster event
- you were living in the home, caravan or boat when the disaster event happened
- one or more of these essential services were damaged because of the disaster event:
    - electricity, including solar power or a generator if this is the only source of power
    - gas
    - water
    - hot water (either gas or electricity)
    - sewerage
- you own or have a mortgage on the residential dwelling. If multiple dwellings are on the same property and are not separately metered, we can assess them as separate households if you can demonstrate you live independently of each other.
- You must **not** hold an insurance policy that covers you for expenses or losses sustained during the disaster.
- If you hold an insurance policy:
    - You do not have coverage for the particular event (e.g. storm/flood) and/or
    - You must have evidence that the insurance claim has been declined.
- You must qualify under the income test outlined below.

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Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online, Phone
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G06583/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G06583/apply
Phone: 1800 173 349

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National Disability Conference Initiative (2025-26)

Funding Provider
Department of Social Services (DSS)

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19477

Primary Category
Human services

Eligible to
- TAFE
- Not-for-Profit
- School
- University
- Business
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
$10,000
Total Pool: $338,577

Rounds
Closes **15 Jan 2026 2pm ACT Local time**

Purpose

The purpose of this grant opportunity is to provide funding to eligible conference organisers to assist people with disability to participate in nationally focused, disability-related, conferences held in Australia.

Overview

The NDCI is a long-standing annual competitive grant round which supports disability conference organisers to maximise the inclusion of people with disability at their conferences.

The objectives of the program are:

- to support the vision of *Australia's Disability Strategy 2021-2031 (ADS)* for an inclusive Australian society that ensures people with disability can fulfil their potential, as equal members of the community
- to support organisations, especially those run by and for people with disability and/or their families, which have limited resources/finances to implement accessibility measures for their conference.

Limitations

The NDCI grant opportunity provides grants to eligible conference organisers to assist people with disability participate in nationally-focused, disability-related, conferences held in Australia. Grants may also support eligible conference organisers to provide accessibility measures that will maximise the inclusion and participation of people with disability at their conference.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19477/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19477/guidelines
Email: support@communitygrants.gov.au **Phone:** 1800 020 283

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National Housing Infrastructure Facility Critical Infrastructure (NHIF CI)

Funding Provider
Housing Australia

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Low Or No-interest Loan U00640

Primary Category
Human services

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- State Govt
- Local Govt
- Business

Funding
Total Pool: Unknown

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The NHIF CI can provide finance to help support critical housing-enabling infrastructure.

Overview

Eligible applicants can apply for finance for NHIF CI concessional loan, NHIF CI grant or a combination of these financing options.

NHIF CI finance can also be used for:

- Demolition and site remediation including the removal of hazardous waste or contamination
- Onsite and linking infrastructure

Where the application is for a grant, Housing Australia will give priority to proposals that also seek other forms of Housing Australia finance as part of a blended financing arrangement.

The terms of NHIF CI finance are flexible with a range of concessions available to suit the applicant's project requirements. These may include, for example, concessional interest rates, and/or longer loan tenure or extended period of capitalised interest and potentially combined with a grant component for projects that meet the eligibility criteria.

Limitations

Any of the following applicants may apply for finance through the NHIF CI:

- Registered community housing providers
- State or territory governments or government-owned development corporations or utility providers
- Local governments or their investment corporations or utility providers
- Incorporated special purpose vehicles that have at least one eligible foundation member (as above).

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Mail, Email
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00640/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00640/apply
Website: https://www.housingaustralia.gov.au/contact-us

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Northside Relief Fund

Funding Provider
Inner North Community Foundation

Location
Yarra, Merri-bek, Darebin

Funding Type
Cash Grant G16308

Primary Category
Human services

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Unincorporated Assoc
- DGR Required

Funding
$1,500 (approx)

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Northside Relief Fund aims to support local emergency relief and material aid organisations in the Inner North region.

Overview

Funds raised are granted quarterly (September, December, March and June) and distributed evenly via the three Local Government Areas:

- Merri-bek City Council
- City of Darebin
- Yarra City Council

Eligible organisations that provide emergency relief are encouraged to register for this grants round with the Foundation. The allocation of funds does not involve an application process, however if successful reporting on how money will be distributed is required prior to funds being released. Funding will be allocated in a randomised fashion for each LGA, from eligible emergency relief providers who have registered and who are active in the Inner North.

Eligible organisations which provide emergency relief are encouraged to register for these grant rounds. Funding of $1,000 - $1,500 will be allocated in a randomised fashion to one or more registered organisations within the Inner North, with the total available funds dictating the value and number of grants each quarter.

Limitations

Applicants must be charitable organisations that:

- Are located in the municipalities of Darebin, Merri-bek or Yarra and primarily serve those communities, or are organisations which have strong links to communities with the three municipalities
- Are registered item 1 DGR charity
- Are categorised by the ACNC as small or medium organisations (i.e. annual turnover less than $1M) with reporting publicly available. Large organisations may be considered if funding directly benefits vulnerable people in Darebin, Merri-bek or Yarra
- Provide emergency relief support to meet basic needs

Funding is not available for:

- Projects that take place outside of Darebin, Merri-bek, or Yarra
- Baseline operational and administration costs.
- Individuals, ‘for profit’ organisations, sports clubs, government bodies, political parties or their candidates
- Projects that are not consistent with Local, State or Commonwealth laws, including the Victorian Equal Opportunity Act 1995
- Completed projects, capital works, assets (other than minor equipment) and repayment of outstanding loans or debts.
- Major institutions (government agencies, universities, hospitals).

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G16308/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G16308/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G16308/apply
Email: Bianca.macielpizzorno@innernorthfoundation.org.au **Phone:** (03) 8689 1922

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Redress for Historical Institutional Abuse

Funding Provider
Department of Families, Fairness and Housing (DFFH) (VIC)

Location
VIC

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19302

Primary Category
Human services

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$20,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
not defined

Purpose

Redress for Historical Institutional Abuse is for people who experienced physical, emotional or psychological abuse and neglect as children in institutional settings in Victoria before 1990.

Overview

Applications opened on 10 December 2024 and are expected to be open for 18 months. Redress will be managed by the Department of Families, Fairness and Housing.

If you apply and are found eligible, you will be offered:

- a payment of up to $20,000
- a personal acknowledgement or apology
- up to 20 counselling sessions.

If you are eligible for Redress, you can choose any or all these options.

The Types of abuse and neglect webpage explains what the Department of Families, Fairness and Housing (the department) means by physical, psychological and emotional abuse and neglect in Redress for Historical Institutional Abuse.

You may find this content distressing and need to talk to someone. You can contact one of the free and confidential redress support services.

Not all institutional settings are covered in Redress.

Relevant settings include:

- orphanages and children's homes
- missions
- dormitories
- group cottage houses
- hospitals or mental health facilities
- youth detention centres
- places for people with disabilities
- schools that were part of a care facility
- foster care
- kinship care.

If you aren't sure, you can contact the Redress team on 1800 716 870 (free call) phone number Monday to Friday between 9 am and 5 pm or email victorianredress@dffh.vic.gov.au.

Limitations

Eligibility

To be eligible, you need to meet the following criteria:

- lived as a child (before the age of 18) in a Victorian institution for at least 6 months (in total) before 1 January 1990
- experienced physical, psychological, or emotional abuse or neglect in the Victorian institution.

You may not be able to apply for Redress, if you were placed in a justice facility as a child because you were found guilty of an offence, and you were not a state ward or under any other protective order. If unsure, please contact the Redress support team.

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Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Mail, Email, Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19302/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19302/apply
Email: victorianredress@dffh.vic.gov.au **Phone:** 1800 716 870 (free call)

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Telstra Top-up

Funding Providers
Telstra
Infoxchange

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Pro Bono Services U00059

Primary Category
Human services

Eligible to
Not-for-Profit

Funding
Amount: $180 to $180
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Infoxchange have partnered with Telstra to provide a complimentary $160 mobile credit recharge to those who are experiencing or at risk of homelessness, family violence, food insecurity, mental health, disability or impacted by a natural disaster, which can be used over a period of 6 months.

Overview

The program is available via Infoxchange's SHIP, CIMS and SRS case management systems to housing and family or domestic violence service providers, as well as community organisations providing emergency relief to people affected by natural disasters such as the recent bushfires.

How does it work?

The program works by allowing trusted Social Service providers and community organisations to bestow a $160 Telstra Pre-Paid mobile recharge to clients through Infoxchange's case management system.

They provide specific instructions on processing the Top Up when a service provider has opted into the program.

A client can receive a maximum of one $180 recharge per financial year (1 July to 30 June).

Limitations

To access the Telstra Top Up program, service providers must be current users of Infoxchange's SHIP, CIMS or SRS case management systems to assist people in vulnerable circumstances such as:

- Homelessness
- Natural disaster
- Domestic and family violence
- Mental health
- Food insecurity
- Disability
- Vulnerable women, youth and families
- Refugees
- First Nations communities

To be eligible, a client must:

- Have an existing "Telstra Pre-Paid Mobile" (not on a "Telstra Pre-Paid Mobile Casual" plan) service, or
- Connect a new Telstra Pre-Paid mobile service (Telstra Pre-Paid starter kits are available from $2 online at Telstra.com or in Telstra stores and multiple other retailers such as Woolworths, Coles and Officeworks)
- Not have received a Top Up previously in the financial year.

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Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online, Phone
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00059/info
Website: https://www.infoxchange.org/au/contact **Phone:** (03) 9418 7400

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Transport and Motoring Assistance

Funding Provider
Department of Transport and Main Roads (QLD)

Location
QLD

Funding Type
Cash Grant G17138

Primary Category
Human services

Eligible to
Individual

Funding

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

If you live in a Queensland disaster activated area, you may be eligible to apply for transport and motoring assistance.

Overview

This grant has been currently activated for Western Queensland, North and Far North Queensland and Tropical Cyclone Alfred.

If you live in a Queensland disaster activated area, you may be eligible to apply for transport and motoring assistance for:

- vehicle registration assistance
    - surcharge and late fee exemptions
    - shorter registration terms
    - replacing lost or damaged number plates
    - defer seasonally registered vehicles
    - fodder transport with primary producer concession
    - certificate of inspection extension
- licensing and other transport and motoring products
    - licence or photo identity smartcards replacement
    - learner logbooks replacement
    - industry licences, accreditation documents or books replacements
    - National Driver Work Diaries replacement
    - infringement notices replacement
    - disability parking 3-month extension for further permit.

Limitations

Eligibility:

You must be live in a current activate disaster area.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online, Phone
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G17138/info
Phone: 13 12 30

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Automatic Dependent Surveillance Broadcast (ADS-B) Rebate Program

Funding Provider
Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communications, Sport and the Arts

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G14896

Primary Category
Infrastructure

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Business

Funding
Total Pool: $8,400,000

Rounds
Closes **31 May 2027 5pm (ACT Local time)**

Purpose

The objective of the Program is to incentivise voluntary uptake of ADS-B equipment in Australian#registered aircraft operating under Visual Flight Rules (VFR) and Instrument Flight Rules (IFR) to improve safety and efficiency for Australian airspace users.

Overview

Up to $5,000 per eligible aircraft covering up to 50% of eligible project expenditure. Only one grant per aircraft and per device is permitted (unless you meet the eligibility criteria in section 4.1 and 4.2 of the grant opportunity guidelines.

The program will provide:

- better situational awareness for pilots through improved electronic visibility of nearby airborne VFR and IFR aircraft
- enhanced search and rescue capabilities through improved air traffic information
- air traffic controllers with additional and accurate automated aircraft position information of VFR aircraft.

The Program funds two classes of eligible ADS-B equipment:

- installed ADS-B equipment that air traffic controllers can use for aircraft separation purposes (referred to as ADS-B)
- portable ADS-B equipment for local electronic traffic information purposes (referred to as ADS-B EC).

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G14896/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G14896/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G14896/apply
Phone: 132846

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Battery Breakthrough Initiative

Funding Provider
Australian Renewable Energy Agency (ARENA)

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19843

Primary Category
Infrastructure

Eligible to
- State Govt
- Local Govt
- Business

Funding
Total Pool: $500,000,000

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

This program was announced as part of the Future Made in Australia (FMA) policy agenda of the Australian Government. Central to the National Battery Strategy, the program has been designed in consultation with the Department of Industry, Science and Resources (DISR) and a broad range of stakeholders.

Overview

Funding provided through BBI may include capital grants, production incentives or other payments deemed appropriate by ARENA for the project. ARENA may take a portfolio approach to selecting Projects for funding, giving consideration to how a Project will contribute to the Program Outcomes either uniquely or as part of a suite of complementary ARENA activities.

The program's objective is to fund projects that contribute to one or more of the following program outcomes:

- Enhance Australia's battery manufacturing capability to improve supply chain resilience and support emissions reduction
- Commercialise battery manufacturing processes and technologies that can contribute to emissions reduction.

The three BBI Focus Areas are:

1. Active materials
2. Battery Cell Manufacturing
3. Battery Pack Assembly

Total amount available (AUD) $500,000,000.00

We strongly encourage you to email batterybreakthrough@arena.gov.au to discuss your proposal before starting your application.

Limitations

The application and assessment process typically consists of two stages:

- **Expression of Interest** (EOI). An Applicant may submit an EOI at any time while the Program remains open.
- **Full Application**

Please see part 3 of the Battery Breakthrough Initiative program guidelines for complete eligibility requirements.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19843/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19843/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19843/apply
Email: arena@arena.gov.au **Phone:** 1800 804 847

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Black Spot Program nominations

Funding Providers
Department for Infrastructure and Transport (SA)
Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communications, Sport and the Arts

Location
SA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19775

Primary Category
Infrastructure

Eligible to
- TAFE
- School
- Not-for-Profit
- University
- State Govt
- Individual
- Local Govt
- Business
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
$660,000 (approx)
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **30 Jan 2026**

Purpose

Black Spot projects aim to implement safety-related traffic management infrastructure – including traffic signals, roundabouts, street lighting, pedestrian amenities, linemarking, and guardrails. Evidence-based, innovative road safety treatments are also encouraged.

Overview

The Black Spot Program is an infrastructure investment program that:

- aims to improve road safety and significantly reduce road crashes and trauma
- directly targets improvements on high-risk roads or roads with proven crash history.

The program is very effective in:

- reducing the risk of crashes
- saving the community many times the cost of implemented and relatively minor road improvements.

Everyone is encouraged to submit a nomination. You can nominate either:

- directly using the nomination form and guidelines on this page
- through the relevant road authority:
    - For arterial roads and highways, email the Department for Infrastructure and Transport at DIT.SABlackspots@sa.gov.au.
    - For local roads, contact the relevant council. Find the appropriate council with the Location SA Viewer.

Limitations

Project Eligibility

Section 71 of the NLT Act states that a project is eligible if:

- It is for the improvement of road safety of a site (being all or part of any road); and
- The site is in a State; and
- The nature of the site has contributed to, or is likely to contribute to, serious motor vehicle crashes involving death or serious injury.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Email
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19775/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19775/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19775/apply
Email: DIT.SABlackspots@sa.gov.au

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Boating Facilities Fund

Funding Provider
Department for Infrastructure and Transport (SA)

Location
SA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G13063

Primary Category
Infrastructure

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- State Govt
- Business
- Local Govt

Funding

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Boat owners who would like improvements made to the facilities they regularly use can apply for funding assistance up to 80% of the total project costs.

Overview

There are two phases applicants may be require to complete before funding may be considered

Project Initiation and Planning (Stage 1) The intention of this phase is to save proponents the time and expense of preparing a more detailed Application for Funding if the project is not deemed suitable.

It is for preliminary appraisal and endorsement of a concept proposal and may be lodged at any time.

If a total project's cost is estimated to be more than $1million, or is deemed to be high risk, applicants must complete this phase. If the project is endorsed applicants will need to submit further details in their Application for Funds.

Please note if total project costs are more than $1m the applicant will be required to present their proposal to the Committee.

Where the total project cost is between 0.3- $1.0 million applicants may use their discretion as to whether they need to submit a Project Initiation and Planning application. Risks, project estimates and a very high level of project definition must be determined if it is intended to apply for funds.

Application for Funds (Stage 2)

Applicants will need to ensure their project is well defined and developed.

Applications for Funds may be submitted at any time.

Limitations

Who can apply

The Fund is available for boating projects to:

- Local Government
- State Government departments
- Community Groups
- Statutory authorities responsible for recreational boating facilities

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G13063/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G13063/guidelines

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G13063/apply

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Building Blocks Program - Capacity Building Grants

Funding Provider
Department of Education (VIC)

Location
VIC

Funding Type
Cash Grant G09701

Primary Category
Infrastructure

Eligible to
- School
- Not-for-Profit
- Local Govt

Funding
$9,000,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

This grants stream provides funding for projects that create additional kindergarten places for 3 and 4-year-olds by building new, or expanding existing, infrastructure.

Overview

The Building Blocks Capacity Building stream offers grants to help increase capacity through new or expanded kindergartens.

Capacity grant funding has already increased significantly since the introduction of free Three-Year-Old Kindergarten, with grants now scaled in line with the number of new places created.

Eligible projects can now access funding at up to double the rates previously available.

Grant categories

Integrated Children's Centre: These grants provide funding for new community hubs, bringing together a range of professional services to deliver education, care, health and support to children and their families.

Application form

Available funding	Kindergarten places created
$4,500,000	2 x 33 place rooms
$6,750,000	3 x 33 place rooms
$9,000,000	4 x 33 place rooms

New Early Learning Facility: These grants provide funding for new kindergartens that will offer high-quality early learning for 3 and 4-year-olds.

Application form

Available funding	Kindergarten places created
$4,000,000	2 x 33 place rooms
$6,000,000	3 x 33 place rooms
$8,000,000	4 x 33 place rooms

Modular Kindergarten Buildings: These grants cover the full cost of high-quality modular buildings. They can be available quickly to meet urgent demand for kindergarten places. They are relocatable, and their quick delivery reduces safety risks, construction time and costs.

Application form

Organisations can apply for:

- a **one-room** (33 Approved Places) standard modular kindergarten facility and associated works, and have an average project budget of $1.5 million
- a **two-room** (66 Approved Places) standard modular kindergarten facility and associated works, and have an average project budget of $2.3 million
- a **three-room** (99 Approved Places) standard modular kindergarten facility and associated works and have an average project budget of $3.5 million
- a **1-room** (33 approved places) **compact** modular kindergarten facility and associated works, and have an average project budget of $2.0 million
- a 2-room (66 approved places) **compact** modular kindergarten facility and associated works, and have an average project budget of $3.2 million.

Additional funding may be available to support projects with complex site conditions.

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Expansion: These grants provide funding for projects to increase the licensed capacity of kindergartens offering programs for 3 and 4-year-old children.

Application form

Available funding	Kindergarten places created
$1,500,000	1 x 33 place rooms
$3,000,000	2 x 33 place rooms
$4,500,000	3 x 33 place rooms

Limitations

Who can apply?

Your organisation can apply if it is:

- a Victorian local government (Council);
- a not-for-profit community organisation that is a legal entity (for example an incorporated association, incorporated cooperative or Indigenous corporation);
- a Victorian government school; or
- a Victorian non-government school registered with the Victorian Registration and Qualifications Authority or Catholic Education Commission of Victoria.

For-profit organisations cannot apply for any grant streams within Building Blocks.

For further information regarding grant eligibility, please refer to the Building Blocks Capacity Building Assessment Factsheet below.

Your project must be for a facility in Victoria that is, or will be, approved to provide a funded Three and Four-Year-Old Kindergarten/Pre-Prep program and **must** offer or **intend** to offer both programs.

What cannot be funded

- site acquisition and lease costs
- routine or cyclical maintenance works
- purchase of cars, buses and other vehicles
- ongoing administration or operational costs
- staff salaries and training
- toys, portable equipment and consumables
- cosmetic upgrades that do not increase capacity
- removal of contaminates on projects sites (e.g. asbestos/arsenic), following announcement of the grant
- additional funding due to project cost overruns.

The Building Blocks Capacity Building stream **will not fund** projects that:

- do not create additional kindergarten capacity and do not address unmet demand as identified in the relevant KISP;
- are not at facilities that offer (or intend to offer) both Three and Four-Year-Old funded Kindergarten programs;
- are located outside Victoria;
- do not align with the program objectives;
- do not meet the requirements outlined in these guidelines;
- do not meet the assessment criteria;
- have already started or been completed (i.e. retrospective funding); or
- are further stages of existing or completed projects.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G09701/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G09701/guidelines

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G09701/apply
Email: building.blocks@edumail.vic.gov.au **Phone:** (03) 7005 1955

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Capital Grants Programme (CGP)

Funding Provider
Independent Schools Victoria (ISV)

Location
VIC

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19569

Primary Category
Infrastructure

Eligible to
School

Funding
Total Pool: Unknown

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Capital Grants Program provides Catholic and independent schools with appropriate funding to help them improve school infrastructure through capital expenditure.

Overview

This program provides funding for non-government primary and secondary school communities to improve their school infrastructure.

Schools that receive funding under the Capital Grants Program must meet Commonwealth recognition requirements for CGP funding.

Funding available: Funding varies on a case-by-case basis.

For information on how to apply for capital funding, non-government schools should contact the relevant Block Grant Authority in their state or territory. See contact information here

Applications may be made at any time.

Limitations

To be eligible, you must:

- be a non-government primary or secondary school
- be a member of the relevant state or territory's Block Grant Authority
- satisfy the Minister that financial assistance is needed and contributes to the objectives of the Capital Grants Program.

See guidelines for full eligibility requirements.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19569/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19569/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19569/apply
Email: capitalgrants@education.gov.au

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EV Fleets Incentive - Kickstart Funding

Funding Provider
Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water (DCCEEW) (NSW)

Location
NSW

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19823

Primary Category
Infrastructure

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Local Govt
- Business

Funding
$2,000,000
Total Pool: $5,000,000

Rounds
Closes **29 May 2026 5.00pm**

Purpose

Kick-start funding offers businesses financial incentives from a $5 million allocation to help purchase up to 15 electric vehicles (EVs) and smart charging ports.

Overview

EV Fleet incentive program aims to:

- achieve the greatest level of emissions abatement at the lowest cost for the NSW Government
- support the development of a strong secondary market for electric vehicles, when fleet managers resell their vehicles
- promote a long-term transition to electric vehicles in the fleet sector
- promote take up of smart charging infrastructure on the network.

Limitations

Kick-start funding is suitable for businesses that are interested in trialling a few EVs or for smaller fleets. It is open to any ABN holder that operates an existing fleet in NSW, provided the business meets one of the following requirements:

- operates an existing fleet of at least 3 vehicles (electric or non-electric) in NSW
- Has licensed taxi drivers with at least 1 taxi in NSW
- Is an individual truck operator, with at least 1 truck in NSW.

Eligible organisations include but are not limited to:

- private business organisations
- non-government and not-for-profit organisations
- local councils
- state-owned corporations
- federal government agencies operating in NSW
- car rental companies
- car share companies
- car subscription companies y car rideshare companies
- taxi owners, including individuals or organisations that own one or more licensed taxis.
- truck operators (with at least one truck and a valid ABN).

Organisations may be headquartered outside NSW, but all incentivised vehicles must be registered and used predominantly in NSW.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19823/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19823/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19823/apply
Email: electric.fleets@environment.nsw.gov.au

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Electric Vehicle Charger (Residential and Business) Grants Scheme - business or home owner

Funding Provider
Department of Trade, Business and Asian Relations (NT)

Location
NT

Funding Type
Cash Grant G12303

Primary Category
Infrastructure

Eligible to
- Individual
- Business

Funding
$2,500
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

If you own an electric vehicle (EV), you can apply for funding to buy and install a charger at your residential property or business.

Overview

Through the EV Charger Grants Scheme, you can get grants of up to:

- $1,000 for a residential property
- $2,500 for a business.

Applications are now open and will be administered on a first-come, first-served basis.

After 6 to 12 months, the scheme will be reviewed and may be amended to achieve the NT Government's objectives.

Limitations

Who can apply?

You can apply if you meet the scheme's terms and conditions, and you:

- are an owner of an NT registered EV
- are a home owner or business owner
- meet the property requirements relevant to you as a residential or business owner.

Who can't apply?

You can't apply if you're any of the following:

- public or private school
- public or private educational institution
- government agency or government-owned body
- registered corporation
- local government.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G12303/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G12303/guidelines
Email: business.programs@nt.gov.au **Phone:** 1800 193 111

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Flexible Local Transport Solutions Program

Funding Provider
Department of Transport and Planning (VIC)

Location
VIC

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19373

Primary Category
Infrastructure

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Local Govt

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Flexible Local Transport Solutions Program provides Victorian Government funding to local government and community organisations for small-scale transport projects, particularly in regional Victoria.

Overview

The program provides financial support to help seed small-scale initiatives across Victoria that address transport disadvantages, integrate with other local transport options, and improve transport access.

Funding is available for organisations to collaborate with the Victorian Government in response to a local transport need, particularly where other local transport solutions do not exist.

The program generally funds projects that:

- drive reform and innovation in the delivery of transport services
- deliver small capital projects that contribute to an integrated network
- promote inclusion in remote, disadvantaged, and Indigenous communities
- recognise, respect, and celebrate Aboriginal cultural heritage
- support transport planning at a local level to help inform future needs.

If you have an idea for improving transport in your local area, you first need to contact the Regional Integrated Planning teams.

A member of the Department's regional planning teams will contact you to discuss the initiative, and if the proposal is suitable to the program, the Department will work with you to develop the initiative for submission and assessment. Final funding approval is decided by the relevant Minister, as applicable to the type of project proposed.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Email
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19373/info
Email: LocalTransportProgram@transport.vic.gov.au

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FreshStart New Home

Funding Provider
Department of Treasury and Finance (NT)

Location
NT

Funding Type
Cash Grant G15344

Primary Category
Infrastructure

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$30,000

Rounds
Closes **30 Sep 2026 1.29AM (ACST)**

Purpose

FreshStart New Home Grant (FreshStart) provides a $30,000 grant to home buyers who sign a contract, or owner-builders who commence construction, for a new home or a new unit in the Territory between 1 October 2024 and 30 September 2025.

Overview

Only one grant is payable per transaction. Applicant(s) are ineligible if they have applied for or received a grant under the *First Home Owner Grant Act 2000* (HomeGrown Territory Grant) for the home the subject of this application.

FreshStart is not means tested. There is no cap on the value of a new home or a new unit, or the total construction cost of a new home.

Approved applicants must occupy the property as their principal place of residence for a period of 12 months, commencing within 12 months of completion of construction or taking possession of the home.

Limitations

To be eligible, applicants must:

- sign a contract, between 1 October 2024 and 30 September 2026, to build or buy a new home in the Territory, or commence building as an owner builder:
    - it must not replace other contracts signed before 1 October 2024
    - the home must have never been previously lived in or sold as a place of residence
- be a person and not a company or trustee
- have at least one person over the age of 18
- ensure one applicant is an Australian citizen or permanent resident
- live in the home for at least 12 months after taking possession of the property (name is on the title) or once construction of the home is complete
- lodge their application by 31 December 2026.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G15344/info

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Household Resilience Program

Funding Provider
Department of Housing and Public Works (QLD)

Location
QLD

Funding Type
Cash Grant G08575

Primary Category
Infrastructure

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$15,000
Total Pool: $20,000,000

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Household Resilience Program assists eligible homeowners in coastal parts of Central and Northern Queensland to improve the resilience of their homes against cyclones.

Overview

Owner-occupiers who live in a house built before 1984 and are located within 50 kilometres of the coastline from Bundaberg, north to Cape York and west to the Queensland/Northern Territory border, can apply to receive a Queensland Government grant of 80% of the cost of improvements (up to a maximum grant value of $15,000, including GST).

The program is funded by the Australian Government, and administered by the Queensland Government Department of Housing and Public Works.

Specific improvement works are eligible under the Household Resilience Program.

These works must be completed on*existing structures*to meet the program objectives of increasing cyclone resilience for homes built before 1984.

Extensions to existing structures and replacement of structures are not eligible for grant funding.

Read about the improvement types that are eligible under the program:

- external solid core doors(PDF, 246 KB)
- external structures(PDF, 250 KB)
- garage doors(PDF, 246 KB)
- over-batten system(PDF, 312 KB)
- roof replacement(PDF, 333 KB)
- window protection(PDF, 279 KB).

The minimum value of works eligible for grant funding is $3,300.

Limitations

To be eligible to apply, you must meet all these criteria:

- live in the identified cyclone risk area (within 50km of the coastline from Bundaberg, north to Cape York and west to the Queensland/Northern Territory border)
- own or be the mortgagor of a house built before 1984
- live in the home as your primary place of residence
- meet the income eligibility requirements
- not have received funding under a previous phase of this program.

There are further eligibility requirements listed on www.qld.gov.au/housing/buying-owning-home/financial-help-concessions/household-resilience-program/eligibility-for-hrp-funding.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G08575/info

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G08575/apply
Email: strongerhomes@epw.qld.gov.au **Phone:** (07) 3007 4485 (option 1)

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Infrastructure Development Fund WA

Funding Provider
Department of Planning, Lands and Heritage (WA)

Location
WA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G16242

Primary Category
Infrastructure

Eligible to
- Individual
- Business
- Local Govt

Funding
Total Pool: $80,000,000

Rounds
Closes **31 Dec 2025**

Purpose

The purpose of the Infrastructure Development Fund is to assist with the cost of resolving infrastructure constraints that impact the supply of medium to high density housing projects in priority infill locations within metropolitan Perth; and worker accommodation in the regions.

Overview

Restrictions on the capacity of existing water, wastewater and electricity infrastructure, and the costs and complexity for landowners to connect can limit urban infill development and the provision of new housing in regional areas. This can result in well-located development sites remaining vacant and housing opportunities going unrealised.

In the metropolitan area, new medium to high density housing development will promote urban consolidation, housing diversity and activation around priority infill locations, such as METRONET station precincts.

In the regions, high levels of employment and low availability of housing can impede ongoing economic development.

The $80 million Infrastructure Development Fund has been allocated equally between metropolitan and regional projects ($40 million each).

The Infrastructure Development Fund consists of three funding programs:

1. Targeted Apartment Rebate - Guidelines
2. Unlocking Infill Precincts - Guidelines
3. Unlocking Regional Worker Accommodation Opportunities - Closed September 6, 2024.

Applicants are invited to contact the Infrastructure Development Fund team via infrastructurefund@dplh.wa.gov.au or 6551 8002 to discuss an application.

Assessment of applications for the Unlocking Infill Precincts and Unlocking Regional Worker Accommodation Opportunities streams will be considered in rounds, which will occur quarterly subject to funding availability and applications received.

Limitations

Targeted Apartment Rebate

The Targeted Apartment Rebate is open to any developer and/or landowner undertaking an eligible development project as outlined in Section 5 of the guidelines.

Unlocking Infill Precincts and Unlocking Regional Accommodation Opportunities

The stream is open to developers/landowners and local government to make applications. Applications from a group of developers/landowners within a precinct are encouraged. State Government agencies or infrastructure providers may also identify projects for consideration, which meet Government priorities, objectives and complement existing projects or initiatives.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G16242/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G16242/apply
Email: infrastructurefund@dplh.wa.gov.au **Phone:** (08) 6551 8002

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Infrastructure Development Fund: Targeted Apartment Rebate

Funding Provider
Department of Planning, Lands and Heritage (WA)

Location
WA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G18146

Primary Category
Infrastructure

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Business

Funding
$10,000

Rounds
Closes **31 Dec 2025**

Purpose

The purpose of the Infrastructure Development Fund is to assist with the cost of resolving infrastructure constraints that impact the supply of medium to high density housing projects in priority infill locations within metropolitan Perth; and key worker accommodation and community housing in the regions.

Overview

For new apartment developments, a targeted rebate of up to $10,000 per multiple dwelling is available to assist with water, wastewater and electricity infrastructure connection and contribution costs incurred with the Water Corporation or Western Power. Funds will be paid directly to the infrastructure provider.

The rebate is available to apartment (multiple dwelling) projects within:

- the central sub-region of the Perth metropolitan area,
- 1 kilometre of all train stations including METRONET Station Precincts
- 1 kilometre of strategic, secondary and district activity centres as defined by State Planning Policy 4.2 - Activity Centres
- 1 kilometre of the Bunbury CBD
- Housing Diversity Pipeline sites.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G18146/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G18146/guidelines

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G18146/apply

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Infrastructure Development Fund: Unlocking Infill Precincts

Funding Provider
Department of Planning, Lands and Heritage (WA)

Location
WA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G18147

Primary Category
Infrastructure

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Business

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **31 Dec 2025**

Purpose

The purpose of the Infrastructure Development Fund is to assist with the cost of resolving infrastructure constraints that impact the supply of medium to high density housing projects in priority infill locations within metropolitan Perth; and key worker accommodation and community housing in the regions.

Overview

This second stream of the Infrastructure Development Fund has been designed as an infrastructure investment program to address constraints in the water, wastewater and electricity network at a precinct scale, to facilitate medium to high density development within:

- the central sub-region of the Perth metropolitan area,
- 1 kilometre of all train stations including METRONET Station Precincts
- 1 kilometre of strategic, secondary and district activity centres as defined by State Planning Policy 4.2 - Activity Centres
- 1 kilometre of the Bunbury CBD
- Housing Diversity Pipeline sites.

This allows for larger, more complex infrastructure bottlenecks to be identified and addressed, to provide the additional service capacity needed to unlock development opportunities. Without Government intervention or assistance, in some cases these development opportunities are unlikely to be realised or feasible for a single developer to coordinate and/or fund.

Applications for this funding stream will be based on evaluation of a business case, including consideration of co-contribution opportunities with industry. Streams 1 and 2 of the Fund will also contribute to increasing social housing stock by supporting the delivery of mixed-use developments, in partnership with industry and the community housing sector, on Housing Diversity Pipeline sites.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G18147/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G18147/guidelines

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G18147/apply

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Local Roads and Community Infrastructure Program Phase 4

Funding Provider
Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communications, Sport and the Arts

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G10309

Primary Category
Infrastructure

Eligible to
Local Govt

Funding
Amount: $15,698 to $11,783,890
Total Pool: $750,000,000

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Local Roads and Community Infrastructure (LRCI) Program supports all Australian councils to deliver priority local road and community infrastructure projects in their region, creating jobs and long-lasting benefits for communities.

Overview

Phase 4 of the LRCI Program will open from 1 July 2023 and Grant Agreements will be sent to Eligible Funding Recipients for review and signature. Once the Grant Agreements have been returned and executed by the Department, councils will be invited to submit Project Nominations via a Work Schedule to the Department.

From 1 July 2023, the eligible construction time period (ECTP) commences. Project construction can only begin once Project Nominations are approved by the Department. Projects are required to be physically completed by 30 June 2025.

Should Eligible Funding Recipients proceed with LRCI Phase 4 projects that have not been approved by the Program Delegate, all costs associated with these projects will be the responsibility of the proponent.

Phase 4 of the LRCI Program continues to be a temporary, targeted measure supporting local infrastructure, jobs, firms, and procurement.

LRCI Phase 4 continues the objective of the program to provide temporary, targeted support for creating and maintaining local jobs through road infrastructure and construction activities in communities across Australia. The intended outcomes of the program are to:

- deliver benefits to communities, such as improved road safety, accessibility and visual amenity; and
- create local short-term employment opportunities through funding construction projects

This grant opportunity will open on 1 July 2023 and close on 30 June 2026.

Please note: This grant program is not open to applications. Eligible Funding Recipients will receive a letter of offer and be required to return a signed Grant Agreement to participate in Phase 4 of the program.

Limitations

Eligibility criteria

Only Eligible Funding Recipients are able to participate in Phase 4 of the LRCI Program. Eligible Funding Recipients will receive a letter of offer to participate in Phase 4 of the LRCI Program:

- Where eligibility for the Part A $500 million component is met, the letter of offer will include reference to this separate funding amount.
- Where eligibility for the Part B $250 million component is met, the letter of offer will include reference to this separate funding amount.

The Eligible Funding Recipients have been selected for this grant opportunity as the intention is to fund local communities directly. A list of funding recipients, and their funding allocations is available on the Department's website.

Who is eligible for a grant?

Eligible Funding Recipients for Phase 4 are the same as for Phase 1, Phase 2 and Phase 3 of the LRCI Program. 550 Eligible Funding Recipients have been selected for the Phase 4 grant opportunity of $500 million (Part A) to fund and provide eligible local council services to communities directly

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466 Eligible Funding Recipients (rural, regional or outer-urban developed locations) have been selected for the Phase 4 grant opportunity of $250 million (Part B) to fund the development or improvement of local roads in rural, regional and outer-urban locations.

Note: This grant program is not open to applications. Eligible Funding Recipients will receive a letter of offer and be required to return a signed Grant Agreement to participate in Phase 4 of the program.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G10309/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G10309/guidelines
Email: LRCIP@infrastructure.gov.au

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Private Buildings Cladding Scheme Concessional Loan

Funding Provider
Major Projects Canberra

Location
ACT

Funding Type
Low Or No-interest Loan U00273

Primary Category
Infrastructure

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$15,000,000 (approx)
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **27 Feb 2026**

Last Round
Closed **21 Jul 2022**

Purpose

The concessional loan will assist owners corporations to meet their responsibility to maintain a safe premise, ensuring the safety and wellbeing of residents and visitors.

Overview

The Private Buildings Concessional Loan Scheme is a loan to help fund the remediation of combustible cladding on privately owned apartment buildings. Owners corporations and strata managers can apply for the loan if they meet eligibility criteria. The concessional loan assists owners corporations meet their responsibility to maintain a safe building. This ensures the safety and wellbeing of residents and visitors.

The concessional loan can cover the following activities:

- cost of undertaking eligible remediation works including:
    - materials
    - labour
    - project management
    - other professional services
- investigation and tender costs
- administration costs
- fees associated with regulatory approvals
- make-good works required as a result of cladding remediation
- works on external wall necessary for certification.

Access to a low interest concessional loan worth up to $15 million.

Limitations

Owners corporations are eligible to apply if they have:

- participated in the Private Buildings Testing and Assessment Scheme
- obtained a testing and assessment report
- identified cladding on their building that poses a moderate or high risk.

Other owners corporations may be eligible to apply if they:

- established a loan with a commercial provider

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- are using the commercial loan to fund combustible cladding remediation works
- can provide evidence that the cladding on their building posed a moderate or high fire risk.

An executive committee member or strata manager representing the owners corporation must submit the application.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00273/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00273/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00273/apply
Email: claddingprogram@act.gov.au **Phone:** (02) 6205 3303

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SA Jetties Renewal Program

Funding Provider
Department for Infrastructure and Transport (SA)

Location
SA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G13593

Primary Category
Infrastructure

Eligible to
Local Govt

Funding
Total Pool: $5,000,000

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The SA Jetties Renewal Program assists local councils for projects to address critical works across the State's jetties.

Overview

he SA Jetties Renewal Program:

- provides funding to support local governments to repair or upgrade a divested jetty
- helps ensure ongoing public access to jetties, which provide economic, social and environmental benefits for communities.

The State Government commits up to $5 million each year.

To learn more about the program or how to apply, email DIT.JettyRenewalProgram@sa.gov.au

Limitations

To be eligible for funding, South Australian councils must:

- have one or more divested jetty
- co-contribute funding to the jetty renewal project
- agree to continue to maintain the jetty for a minimum period of 15 years post completion of the project.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Email
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G13593/info
Email: DIT.JettyRenewalProgram@sa.gov.au

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Safer Local Roads and Infrastructure Program

Funding Provider
Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communications, Sport and the Arts

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19653

Primary Category
Infrastructure

Eligible to
- State Govt
- Local Govt

Funding
Total Pool: $200,000,000 (approx)

Rounds
Closes **30 Apr 2026**

Purpose

The Safer Local Roads and Infrastructure Program (SLRIP) commenced on 1 July 2024 to provide funding for projects to address current and emerging priorities in road infrastructure needs.

Overview

The SLRIP has been created as part of the Australian Government's commitment to strengthen investment to support the delivery of safer and more productive roads across Australia. Funding of at least $200 million per year will be available under the program.

The SLRIP consolidates the Bridges Renewal Program (BRP) and Heavy Vehicle Safety and Productivity Program (HVSPP) into a single program, and includes additional new focus areas.

The SLRIP is an application-based merit-assessed funding program, open to all state and territory governments and Local Government Authorities (LGA). Applications must directly address at least one of the program's focus areas which are linked to priorities in road infrastructure needs. Over time focus areas may be updated as new road infrastructure priorities are identified.

Applications can be submitted for projects in every focus area, all year. It is expected that applications will be assessed in batches three times per year.

Existing approved BRP and HVSPP projects will continue to be delivered under SLRIP until they are completed, in accordance with the guidelines and funding agreement under which they were approved.

Limitations

Eligible applicants:

Applications can only be made by state and territory governments and LGAs. Applications in partnership with other government and non-government entities must have a lead applicant from a state or territory government, or LGA.

See guidelines for more detailed eligibility criteria information.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19653/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19653/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19653/apply
Email: SLRIP-applications@infrastructure.gov.au

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Solar for Apartments program

Funding Provider
Solar Victoria

Location
VIC

Funding Type
Subsidised Goods And Services U00734

Primary Category
Infrastructure

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Business

Funding
$140,000

Rounds
Closes **30 Apr 2026 5pm**

Purpose

The Solar for Apartments Program is jointly funded by the Victorian and Commonwealth Governments to support apartment households to benefit from lower energy bills through installing solar.

Overview

An additional 5000 rebates of up to $2,800 per apartment (up to $140,000 per property) are available until 30 April 2026, or until all rebates are exhausted, whichever comes first.

Rebates are available for apartment buildings, strata townhouses and units under the control of an Owners Corporation and sharing a common property rooftop.

By adopting solar, an average household in a multi-unit development can save up to $500 a year on their energy bills.

Rebates are applied by your chosen retailer as a discount on your invoice to reduce your upfront costs. If you are a retailer, you can go to information for retailers.

The Solar for Apartments Program is jointly funded by the Victorian and Commonwealth governments.

Limitations

Rebates will be provided to Victorian Owners Corporations (OCs) with up to 50 occupiable lots. To be eligible, your **OC** must:

- be a 'tier three Owners Corporation' or 'tier four Owners Corporation', as defined by the Owners Corporations Act 2006 (Vic) – this refers to OCs that consist of 3 to 50 occupiable lots and are not a 'services only Owners Corporation'
- not have previously received funding under the Solar for Apartments Program.

OCs should engage both owner-occupiers and owner-investors on the benefits of the program and encourage their participation.

Entities **not** eligible for funding include:

- individuals
- government agencies
- private sector businesses and agencies
- educational institutions
- local government authorities
- not for profit organisations.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00734/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00734/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00734/apply
Email: apartments@team.solar.vic.gov.au

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Stronger Homes Grant

Funding Provider
Department of Housing and Public Works (QLD)

Location
QLD

Funding Type
Cash Grant G17042

Primary Category
Infrastructure

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$10,000

Rounds
Closes **31 Dec 2025**

Purpose

If you were affected by the 2025 North and Far North Queensland flood event, you may be eligible for a grant to improve your home's resilience against future flooding.

Overview

The Stronger Homes Grant is available for eligible works up to $10,000. Examples of eligible works include raising electrical switchboards and replacing wall lining to be flood resilient.

The grant is available to insured and uninsured homeowners. When work is complete, it will be paid as follows:

- If you're uninsured, we will pay the grant directly to your licensed contractor (builder or tradesperson).
- If you're insured, and work is being undertaken as part of a claim, we will pay the grant directly to your insurance company.
- If you're insured and have taken an insurance payout or finalised a claim or have decided to self-manage works, we will pay the grant directly to your licensed contractor (builder or tradesperson).

Limitations

To be eligible for the grant, you will need to demonstrate certain information about your home:

- The building footprint of your home was inundated by the 2025 North and Far North Queensland floods. You will need to submit photographs of the flood damage to your home.
- Your home is a residence. This means your home is a house, unit, granny flat, or manufactured home that is not used primarily for business purposes.
- You're the homeowner or property owner. You will need to provide a rates notice or register of title.
- Your home is in an eligible local government area (see website for LGAs).

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G17042/info
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G17042/apply
Email: strongerhomesgrant@housing.qld.gov.au

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Sustainable Communities Program Economic Development and Infrastructure Round

Funding Provider
Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development (NSW)

Location
NSW

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19789

Primary Category
Infrastructure

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- University
- Local Govt
- Business

Funding
Amount: $750,000 to $10,000,000
Total Pool: $70,000,000

Rounds
Closes **24 Feb 2026 12:00 pm**

Purpose

The objective of the program is to fund infrastructure and enabling works in exposed and vulnerable NSW southern Basin communities to support economic growth and improve workforce participation into the future.

Overview

This includes opportunities that:

- invest in region-based infrastructure and assets that will support economic activity of multiple users or industries and provide broad economic benefit
- unlock land for industry and housing or create new economic opportunities for local communities
- invest in infrastructure that supports growing populations, enabling people to continue to live and work locally.

A key principle of any grant program is to achieve value for money. This is important to ensure that the benefits of the grants are maximised for the people of NSW. Some ways in which applicants may contribute to delivering value for money include:

- consider the most efficient and innovative means of carrying out grant activities
- consider how government objectives and the applicant's identified needs can be mutually achieved
- adopt an effective approach to identifying and managing risks
- collaborate with officials in monitoring and evaluation processes
- the extent to which projects delivered and operated by for-profit businesses or organisations demonstrate strong evidence that the project will deliver clear public benefit.

The program is designed to deliver value for money by requiring applicants to address this requirement as part of the assessment criteria.

Limitations

Eligible applicants are:

- NSW local councils
- NSW joint or regional organisations of councils
- Australian universities (higher education provider registered under the *Higher Education Support Act 2003* (Cth))
- companies incorporated in Australia (under the *Corporations Act 2001*)
- Australian trusts with a corporate trustee
- incorporated associations (under the *NSW Associations Incorporation Act 2009*)
- co-operatives (under the *NSW Co-operatives Act 1992*)
- public or private organisations registered as a charity with the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission
- Local Aboriginal Land Councils or the NSW Aboriginal Land Council
- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Corporations (incorporated under the *Corporations* (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander) *Act 2006*)
- Aboriginal Community-Controlled Organisations (as defined in the National Agreement on Closing the Gap).

To be eligible for grant funding, an applicant must meet all the following requirements:

- identify as one of the eligible applicant types
- must hold an Australian Business Number (ABN)
- be financially viable and able to demonstrate ongoing viability (annual financial statements for 2 most recent years)
- hold or commit to obtaining public liability insurance of not less than $20 million per occurrence or hold equivalent or better self-insurance to the satisfaction of the department, prior to executing a funding deed with the department

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- be a fit and proper person/legal entity
- not be insolvent, bankrupt or subject to ongoing legal proceedings
- declare in the application form that the applicant is not aware of any issues which could cause reputational or other risks to the NSW Government
- have previous project delivery experience (or ability to access the necessary expertise and support)
- provide evidence of capacity to make the minimum co-contribution (refer Section - Co-contributions).

If an applicant's circumstances in relation to the above eligibility criteria change, the applicant should provide updated information by contacting the department using the Enquiries/Getting Support details.

Location that are eligible include Balranald, Berrigan, Carrathool, Edward River, Federation, Griffith, Hay, Leeton, Murray River, Murrumbidgee, Narrandera, Wentworth.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19789/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19789/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19789/apply
Email: nswscp@dpird.nsw.gov.au

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WA Bicycle Network (WABN) Grants Program: Local Bike Planning Program - Regional Stream

Funding Provider
Department of Transport and Major Infrastructure (WA)

Location
WA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G17404

Primary Category
Infrastructure

Eligible to
Local Govt

Funding
Amount: $15,000 to $25,000
Total Pool: Unknown

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The WA Bicycle Network (WABN) Grants Program is a State Government initiative that provides funding to local governments to deliver active transport infrastructure that supports more people to walk, wheel and ride as part of their everyday journeys.

Overview

Applications for the LBP program intake will be received through an online expression of interest (EOI) form. This form will be available year-round. Assessment will occur twice per year (e.g. April and September) for one to two years, depending on funding availability and demand.

Each financial year between 2025-26 to 2027-28, $200,000 is allocated to local bike planning grants, split evenly between the Perth Bike Network and Regional Bike Network streams. Funds will be awarded to eligible projects until the three-year annual allocation is exhausted.

Grant funding is available for a set amount per project, according to the following tiers:

- Tier 1: basic support - $15,000
- Tier 2: enhanced support - $25,000.

Applicants will select and justify their level of support within the EOI form.

Basic support includes:

- Bike plan within five years
- Limited changes needed
- Review/Update of existing bike plan

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- Adequate internal staffing capacity

Enhanced support includes:

- Bike plan more than five years old
- Extensive changes needed
- New bike plan
- Limited internal staffing capacity

Limitations

The Program uses a staged, competitive process. There are three types of criteria applied to applications for funding. Please see guidelines for more information.

Specific eligibility criteria:

For the 2025 WABN local bike plan intake, the following specific eligibility criteria will be applied:

- Eligibility and funding: Confirm if the applicant is a local government or regional council in WA and if the project has secured funding or a clear path to securing it.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G17404/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G17404/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G17404/apply
Email: wabngrants@transport.wa.gov.au

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Waste and Resource Recovery High Priority Infrastructure Grant

Funding Provider
Department of Natural Resources and Environment Tasmania

Location
TAS

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19708

Primary Category
Infrastructure

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Business

Funding
Amount: $50,000 to $500,000
Total Pool: $5,000,000

Rounds
Closes **30 Jan 2026 5pm**

Purpose

The Program supports infrastructure development that achieves waste minimisation and encourages resource recovery.

Overview

HPI Round 3 supports infrastructure projects across a range of scales that improve the capability, capacity and/or availability of facilities, equipment and/or systems

The objectives of the grant are to:

- A clear improvement in diversion of materials from landfill
- A clear improvement in the avoidance, reduction, reuse, repair, recycling, and recovery of materials in accordance with the Waste Hierarchy
- Prioritisation of the Tasmanian circular economy, related end markets, and the broader Tasmanian economy.

Limitations

Eligible applicants must:

- be ABN/ACN registered, and
- be GST registered, and

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- in the case of joint or consortium applications, nominate in writing a single, principal applicant, signed by all parties, and
- in the case of joint or consortium applications, provide written evidence of the support and degree of project involvement of all parties, and
- disclose any past infringement notices, fines or convictions received in the last five (5) years under the Waste and Resource Recovery Act 2022, Criminal Code Act 1924, Environmental Management and Pollution Control Act 1994, and Land Use Planning Approvals Act 1993 (past infringements, fines or convictions do not necessarily exclude applicants from receiving funding under this grant program), and
- be able to demonstrate appropriate Work Cover and public liability insurance for the proposed project, and
- include a signed declaration (template provided in the Application Form) from either the Chief Financial Officer, Chief Executive Officer, Board Chair, General Manager or an accountant to confirm the applicant's financial ability to deliver the outcomes of the project, including information relating to: sites, operational premises and/or office locations, Australian Business Number (ABN) registration, Goods and Services Tax registration (GST), insolvency, and not having owners/directors who are an undischarged bankrupt, external administration or applications for orders to appoint liquidators, or to be wound up or dissolved, or any other action relating to insolvency, financial and cash flow planning in place to ensure the delivery of the project on time and to budget.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19708/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19708/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19708/apply
Email: waste.grants@nre.tas.gov.au

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Defence Industry Development Grants Program - Exports Stream

Funding Provider
Department of Defence

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G14534

Primary Category
International economics and trade

Eligible to
Business

Funding
Amount: $15,000 to $250,000
Total Pool: $1,700,000 (approx)

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Exports stream provides support for small to medium enterprises (SMEs) to overcome export barriers and help defence industry build scale and competitiveness in defence capability priority areas as identified by the SDIPs described in the Defence Industry Development Strategy.

Overview

The objective of the program is to build the industrial base Australia needs to achieve Defence outcomes in areas of strategic priority.

The Defence Industry Development Grants Program funds four distinct grant opportunity streams tailored to address the program outcomes:

1. Sovereign Industrial Priorities
2. Skilling
3. **Exports**
4. Security.

Please refer to Funding Centre for information regarding the other streams of funding under the Defence Industry Development Grants Program.

Limitations

Eligibility

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You can apply if you:

- have an Australian business number (ABN)
- are a SME with less than 200 employees or, for Skilling stream only, a Defence Industry Association (DIA)
- are registered for GST
- have an account with an Australian financial institution
- are non-income tax exempt

and are one of the following entities:

- an entity incorporated in Australia
- a company limited by guarantee
- an incorporated trustee on behalf of a trust.

You can't apply if you are:

- an organisation, or your project partner is an organisation, included on the National Redress Scheme's list of Institutions that have not joined or signified their intent to join the Scheme
- an employer of 100 or more employees that has not complied with the Workplace Gender Equality Act (2012)
- an individual
- a partnership
- an overseas organisation
- an unincorporated association
- an organisation not included in section 4.1 of the grant opportunity guidelines
- a trust (however, an incorporated trustee may apply on behalf of a trust)
- a Commonwealth, state, territory or local government body (including government business enterprises).

Partner with other organisations

You can partner with one or more other organisations that also meet the eligibility criteria. But you must decide who the lead organisation is.

The lead organisation must fill out the application form.

If we give your group the grant, the lead organisation:

- signs the grant agreement
- is responsible for making sure your group follows the rules in the grant agreement.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G14534/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G14534/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G14534/apply
Email: enquiries@industry.gov.au **Phone:** 13 28 46

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Global Trade Scheme

Funding Provider
Dept of Chief Minister (NT)

Location
NT

Funding Type
Cash Grant G01537

Primary Category
International economics and trade

Eligible to
Business

Funding
$50,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Trade Support Scheme provides financial help to Northern Territory (NT) businesses to offset the costs of international marketing activities.

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Overview

The Global Trade Scheme helps eligible Northern Territory (NT) businesses set up or expand their exporting capabilities.

The grant program includes 3 streams of support for businesses that:

- are at the beginning of their export journey
- want to diversify into exports
- want to expand into new global markets.

What you can get

The program offers different levels of support depending on where the business currently is on its export journey. Each stream is based on a 50:50 co-contribution basis.

Stream 1

Grants of up to $3,000 to assist businesses to become export ready.

Stream 2

Grants of up to $10,000 to assist export-ready businesses grow existing markets and enter into new markets.

Stream 3

Grants of up to $50,000 to assist export-ready businesses grow existing markets and enter into new markets through a cluster or industry association project.

Application

Apply online through GrantsNT for:

- stream 1
- stream 2
- stream 3.

Limitations

You can apply if you meet the following:

- have an annual turnover of more than $75,000 and less than $10 million
- are an NT enterprise
- hold a valid Australian business number (ABN).

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G01537/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G01537/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G01537/apply
Contact: Trade Support Scheme **Address:** GPO Box 3200 DARWIN 0801 NT
Email: TradeScheme.DITT@nt.gov.au **Phone:** 1800 193 111

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TRADEX Scheme

Funding Provider
Department of Industry, Innovation and Science

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G01529

Primary Category
International economics and trade

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Business

Funding
Amount: Undisclosed
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

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Purpose

The Tradex Scheme provides a cash flow benefit for importers who subsequently export the goods. It will give you an upfront exemption from Customs duty and GST.

Overview

The Tradex Scheme gives a cash flow benefit for importers on eligible imported goods, which they or a third party intend to export. It gives an upfront exemption from customs duty and goods and services tax (GST). For example, if goods attract 5% customs duty and 10% GST, having a Tradex order gives importers an up-front saving of 15% on the value of the imported goods when they first arrive in Australia.

The Tradex order does not expire and remains in force unless and until suspended or revoked.

Limitations

Eligibility

An individual, an incorporated company, a partnership, an incorporated association, or entity can apply for a Tradex order. To be eligible for Tradex, you must:

- meet the requirements of the Tradex Scheme Act 1999 and Tradex Regulations 2018
- declare that imported nominated goods are intended for export
- export the nominated goods within one year after their entry for home consumption, unless an extension is otherwise approved by the Tradex team, and
- have adequate record keeping and accounting systems in place in respect of nominated goods until they are exported.

You are not eligible to apply for or hold a Tradex order if you are:

- an unincorporated entity
- an individual who is an insolvent under administration
- an externally administered body corporate
- a partnership where any of the partners is an insolvent under administration.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Email
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G01529/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G01529/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G01529/apply
Contact: AusIndustry
Email: tradex@industry.gov.au **Phone:** 13 28 46

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Australia-Japan Foundation (AJF) Grant Program - 50th Anniversary

Funding Provider
Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT)

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19842

Primary Category
International relations

Eligible to
- TAFE
- Not-for-Profit
- State Govt
- University
- Business
- Local Govt
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
Amount: $30,000 to $200,000

Rounds
Closes **10 Feb 2026 2pm AEDT**

Purpose

This grant opportunity commemorates the significant milestones of the 50th anniversaries of the basic treaty of friendship and cooperation between Australia and Japan and the establishment of the AJF.

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Overview

The AJF 50th Anniversary Grant celebrates this significant milestone by supporting events that bring people together to honour the legacy of Australia-Japan relations and foster future-oriented collaboration, innovation and mutual understanding. The grant opportunity aims to reflect on the past 50 years while looking ahead to the next 50 years of cooperation.

The objectives of the program are to:

- Commemorate the past 50 years of friendship and cooperation between Australia and Japan.
- Strengthen and expand existing bilateral partnerships and collaborations.
- Foster dialogue, innovation and shared vision for the future of the bilateral relationship.
- Inspire and engage the next generation of leaders and champions of the Australia-Japan relationship.
- Promote public awareness and understanding of the bilateral relationship through high-quality engagement and communication, including the creation of promotional materials and digital content.
- Encourage inclusive and diverse participation, including gender equality and First Nations representation.
- Support geographically diverse initiatives across Australia.

A total of up to $200,000 is available for this grant opportunity.

As this round focuses on the 50th anniversary in 2026, the main activity must take place during 2026.

Limitations

To be eligible you must:

Be one of the following entity types:

- have an Australian Business Number (ABN), Australian Company Number (ACN), or Indigenous Corporation Number (ICN)
- an Australian consortium with a lead organisation
- an Australian registered charity or not-for-profit organisation
- an Australian local government body
- an Australian State/Territory government body
- a corporate Commonwealth entity
- an Australian statutory authority
- an Australian citizen or permanent resident of Australia
- a Japanese citizen or organisation

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19842/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19842/guidelines

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19842/apply
Email: ajf.australia@dfat.gov.au **Phone:** 02 6261 3898

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Direct Aid Program

Funding Provider
Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT)

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G09124

Primary Category
International relations

Eligible to
Not-for-Profit

Funding
$100,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

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Purpose

The Direct Aid Program (DAP) is a small-grants scheme which aims to support non-profit organisations working in local communities on activities which support sustainable and equitable development.

Overview

The Direct Aid Program (DAP) is a small grants program funded from Australia's aid budget. It has the flexibility to work with local communities in developing countries on projects that reduce poverty and achieve sustainable development consistent with Australia's national interest.

It sits alongside Australia's longer-term country and multilateral development strategies and with its wide geographical reach plays an important role in supporting local community efforts towards poverty reduction across the globe.

The program is founded on a set of principles which:

- advance developmental outcomes in countries eligible for Official Development Assistance (ODA) through projects primarily focused on practical and tangible results. This may include projects which support good governance, human rights and those with a strong advocacy component,
- support Australia's wider foreign and trade policy interests and public diplomacy objectives, including promoting a distinctive and positive image of Australia, and
- allow for a wide geographic reach reflecting that Australia has global interests and that DAP provides an effective way to build relationships and maintain Australia's profile.

DAP projects cover a range of sectors such as education, health, water and sanitation, environmental protection, women's empowerment and gender equality, supporting people with disabilities, economic livelihoods, food security and human rights.

DAP projects engage a wide range of partners including community groups, non-government organisations, educational institutions and local governments. Through helping people in need we can show Australia is a supportive and trusted partner in addressing aid challenges in partner countries.

See the current Direct Aid Programs open here

Limitations

Who can apply for DAP funding?

Funding is available on a not-for-profit basis to community groups, NGOs and other entities engaged in development activities in countries that are eligible for ODA.

There is no minimum amount that a single DAP project can receive but the maximum is $60,000 over the life of the project (dependent on the country). Activities can run up to a maximum of two years.

The management of the Direct Aid Program varies from mission to mission. To find out more about how the program is managed in a particular country, please contact the Australian mission overseas that administers DAP in that country.

Stories about projects funded by the DAP can also be found on the social media of the Australian mission overseas that administers DAP.

For Australian mission contact details see our overseas embassies and consulates listing.

Ineligible activities

We will generally NOT fund the following:

- cash grants or micro-credit schemes or projects that involve the return of money
- commercial ventures
- purchase of major assets, eg vehicles
- Australian or overseas study tours
- International travel
- Sponsorship of major sporting tournaments or cultural displays that do not have a clear developmental benefit
- staff salaries
- routine, recurring running costs and administrative expenses including office rental and utility costs, spare parts, routine maintenance

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G09124/info

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G09124/apply
Email: pretoria.info@dfat.gov.au

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Global Innovation Fund Grants

Funding Provider
Global Innovation Fund

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G10070

Primary Category
International relations

Eligible to
- TAFE
- Not-for-Profit
- School
- University
- State Govt
- Individual
- Local Govt
- Business
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
$15,000,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Global Innovation Fund, or GIF, is social impact-first investment vehicle that works with mission-aligned development agencies, philanthropy, and other funders to find and fund evidence-based innovations with the potential to positively impact the lives of millions of the world's poorest people.

Overview

The goal is not to fund small organisations that stay small, and medium-sized interventions that stay medium-sized. It is to support organisations to scale up to reach millions of people. To do this we use a staged funding approach allowing us to manage risk sensibly. We take smaller bets on riskier, unproven innovations at the pilot stage and invest larger amounts in innovations demonstrating strong evidence of success through rigorous impact evaluations.

Categories of funding

Pilot - up to USD $230,000 - Pilot innovations are at an early stage but you have a credible plan for how it can be developed and tested in a real-world setting.

Test and Transition - up to USD $2.3 million - For test and transition investment your innovation has already shown promise of success at a small scale, and you have some information on your operational, social, and financial viability which you want to solidify before you scale.

Scale - up to USD $15 million - For scale investment your innovation should have a clear evidence base and a credible plan for scaling to reach millions of people which is logistically, politically and financially feasible.

Please view further information regarding the 'Pilot', 'Test and transition' or 'Scale' categories on the funder's website.

Application process

1. Initial application
2. Follow on call
3. Full application and due diligence
4. Decision panel
5. Funding agreement

The application window opens four times a year - in March, June, September and December.

Limitations

Who can apply for GIF investment?

Any type of organisation may apply. This includes social enterprises, for-profit companies, non-profit organisations, government agencies, international organisations, and research institutions in any country. It is recommended that individual innovators, entrepreneurs or researchers apply through an affiliated organisation.

What is not funded:

- Theoretical research, or purely lab-based activities that are not linked to implementation of a specific proposed real-world pilot or demonstration project.
- Approaches that are only applicable in a single country (unless the innovation is expected to scale to a large proportion of one of the world's most populous developing countries).
- Innovations that involve supporting a political candidate or party.

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- Innovations where the primary purpose is to support the broader innovation ecosystem, such as incubators, accelerators, or other innovation funds.
- Innovations involving any product or activity deemed illegal under applicable laws or regulations or subject to internationally agreed phase-outs or bans as defined in global conventions and agreements (such as dealing with certain hazardous chemicals or ozone depleting substances, and any activity endangering protected wildlife).
- Innovations that involve production or use of luxury goods, soliciting prostitution or engaging in human trafficking, terrorist activity, or use of prohibited drugs, gambling and pornography.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G10070/info
Website: https://www.globalinnovation.fund/contact/

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Grand Challenges Grants

Funding Provider
Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G16734

Primary Category
International relations

Eligible to
- TAFE
- School
- Not-for-Profit
- State Govt
- University
- Individual
- Local Govt
- Business
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Grand Challenges family of initiatives fosters innovation to solve key health and development problems.

Overview

The information on this page is specific to the Grand Challenges streams.

Currently Open:

- Accelerating Innovation in Vaginal Formulations in Support of Women's Health - Grant Challenges (including Brazil, India, Africa, South Africa) - Now open, closing 17 December 2025.
- Accelerating Development of Innovative, Exceptionally Low-Cost Maternal and Child Nutrient Ingredients and Products - Now open, closing 17 December 2025

See the challenge page for more information here

Limitations

Eligibility Criteria

Please see individual steam guidelines for eligibility criteria.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G16734/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G16734/apply
Email: grandchallenges@gatesfoundation.org

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Wallace Global Fund Grants

Funding Provider
Wallace Global Fund

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G09156

Primary Category
International relations

Eligible to
Not-for-Profit

Funding
Amount: Undisclosed
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The fund supports people-powered solutions working on democracy, environment, corporate accountability, and women's rights.

Overview

Grant applications should focus on one or more of our four core program areas: democracy, environment, corporate accountability, and women's rights.

Wallace Global Fund does not fund the purchase of land, capital construction, profit-making businesses, debt reduction, endowment campaigns, fundraising drives/events, lobbying efforts, scholarships, tuition assistance, or other forms of personal financial aid. We do not provide grants to youth clubs, schools, individuals, or political organizations. Finally, only under special circumstances do we support the work of academic institutions.

Please note: Wallace Global Fund do not accept unsolicited proposals.

Limitations

Wallace Global Fund supports nonprofit organizations and social movements that are global or national in scope, or can leverage a local scope to achieve a broader national or global impact. We provide both core and project-specific support. Applicants must be 501(c)(3) non-profit organizations, a legal non-US equivalent, or be able to show charitable intent.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G09156/info

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LGBTIQA+ Leadership Stream

Funding Provider
Chief Minister, Treasury & Economic Development Directorate (ACT)

Location
NSW, ACT

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19495

Primary Category
LGBTQIA+ people

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
Amount: $650 to $1,500

Rounds
Closes **19 Jan 2026**

Purpose

This grant supports LGBTIQA+ people who want to develop their leadership skills and contribute to LGBTIQA+ communities.

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Overview

This grant supports people who want to develop or improve as an LGBTIQA+ leader.

Applications open 3 times a year.

The grant is part of the Capital of Equality Grants Program. The program aims to achieve:

- improved understanding of LGBTIQA+ experiences
- improved wellbeing of LGBTIQA+ people
- increased participation of LGBTIQA+ communities
- increased capacity and leadership.

Limitations

Depending on the location of your opportunity you can apply for up to:

- $650 in the ACT
- $1,000 in NSW
- $1,500 elsewhere in Australia.

You will need consent from your parent or guardian to apply if you are under 18 years old.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19495/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19495/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19495/apply
Email: Equalitygrants@act.gov.au **Phone:** 02 6205 1346

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Qantas Regional Pride Grants

Funding Provider
Qantas

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19809

Primary Category
LGBTQIA+ people

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **4 Jan 2026 11:59pm**

Purpose

Designed to provide opportunities for LGBTQIA+ individuals who reside in regional Australia to engage with and attend the 2026 Mardi Gras Festival and Parade.

Overview

The program will provide one grant per state/territory to applicants that best demonstrate how they have fostered LGBTQIA+ inclusion in their local communities.

Grant recipients will receive:

- Two return economy airfares from the winners closest Qantas operated domestic port to Sydney;
- Two nights accommodation in Sydney;
- Two tickets to the Glitter Club Parade Viewing Area

Limitations

LGBTQIA+ individuals and allies who reside in a regional or remote Australian community. Please note that Darwin and Hobart are considered regional and people from these areas are encouraged to apply.

You are not eligible to apply if you:

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- Are employed by a government organisation or are a government official;
- Have received funding from an airline other than Qantas to participate in Sydney Mardi Gras 2026;
- Are seeking a grant for any project other than a Qantas Mardi Gras Regional Grant;
- Reside in a major or capital city (excluding Darwin and Hobart);
- Are an employee or contractor for Qantas or Sydney Gay & Lesbian Mardi Gras.

Grants will be assessed on the following criteria:

- The ability of the applicant to demonstrate a meaningful connection to the LGBTQIA+ communities within regional or remote Australia.
- The extent to which the applicant can identify tangible efforts to foster LGBTQIA+ inclusion within their community.
- The extent to which the applicant can detail the positive benefits the grant would provide to them.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19809/info
Website: https://www.mardigras.org.au/contact/

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The Connection Fund

Funding Provider
Chief Minister, Treasury & Economic Development Directorate (ACT)

Location
ACT

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19433

Primary Category
LGBTQIA+ people

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Business
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
$15,000

Rounds
Closes **18 Jan 2026 11:59pm**

Purpose

This grant supports community focused projects. The goal is to create a sense of community and belonging for LGBTIQA + people.

Overview

The grant is part of the Capital of Equality Grants Program. The program aims to achieve:

- improved understanding of LGBTIQA+ experiences
- improved wellbeing of LGBTIQA+ people
- increased participation of LGBTIQA+ communities
- increased capacity and leadership.

Individuals can get a grant of up to $5,000.

Not-for-profit organisations and businesses can get up to $15,000.

Your project must either:

- improve understanding of LGBTIQA+ experiences
- improve wellbeing of LGBTIQA+ people
- increase participation of LGBTIQA+ communities.

Examples of projects include:

- community events supporting inclusion and connection
- publications on LGBTIQA+ voices in Canberra
- events showcasing the talent of LGBTIQA+ people in the arts or sports
- entrepreneurial projects and start-ups that support LGBTIQA+ people and communities
- awareness raising activities.

You must finish your project within 1 year.

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Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19433/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19433/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19433/apply
Email: EqualityGrants@act.gov.au **Phone:** 02 6205 5618

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Advanced Manufacturing Productivity Grant Program

Funding Provider
Department of State Growth (TAS)

Location
TAS

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19415

Primary Category
Manufacturing

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Business

Funding
Amount: $1,500 to $20,000
Total Pool: $450,000

Rounds
Closes **30 Jun 2026**

Purpose

Funding of $450,000 is available to Tasmanian-based advanced manufacturing enterprises to undertake a variety of productivity enhancing activities such as obtaining accreditations expert advice and developing staff and business skills.

Overview

- Grants will be provided on a co-contribution basis of 50% (grant), 50% minimum (applicant)
- Maximum grant available is $20,000
- Minimum grant available is $1,500
- Ability to apply for a second grant during the financial year for a different project – maximum grant cap of $40,000 for the financial year.

Limitations

To be eligible for a grant you:

- must be able to demonstrate that you are a Tasmanian-based advanced manufacturing enterprise, or a high tech, Tasmanian based business that supports manufacturing inputs such as software or component development necessary for an advanced project.
- must have an Australian Business Number and be registered for GST
- cannot receive in excess of $40,000 per financial year under this program
- must have demonstrated manufacturing sales turnover greater than $500,000 and less than $55 million in at least one of the last two financial years
- must not be a consultant or intermediary
- must not be subject to any legal disability, including bankruptcy or liquidation
- must be a business primarily manufacturing in Tasmania.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Email
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19415/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19415/guidelines
Email: ask@business.tas.gov.au **Phone:** 1800 440 026

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Defence Industry Development Grants Program - Sovereign Industrial Priorities Stream

Funding Provider
Department of Defence

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G14533

Primary Category
Manufacturing

Eligible to
Business

Funding
Amount: Unknown to $1,000,000
Total Pool: $13,000,000 (approx)

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Sovereign Industrial Priorities stream will assist eligible small to medium enterprises (SMEs) to purchase manufacturing plant and equipment which is used directly to develop and/or deliver programs that are in line with the Sovereign Defence Industrial Priorities (SDIPs) described in the Defence Industry Development Strategy.

Overview

The objective of the program is to build the industrial base Australia needs to achieve Defence outcomes in areas of strategic priority.

The Defence Industry Development Grants Program funds four distinct grant opportunity streams tailored to address the program outcomes:

1. **Sovereign Industrial Priorities**
2. Skilling
3. Exports
4. Security.

Please refer to the Funding Centre for information regarding the other streams of funding under the Defence Industry Development Grants Program.

Limitations

Eligibility

You can apply if you:

- have an Australian business number (ABN)
- are a SME with less than 200 employees or, for Skilling stream only, a Defence Industry Association (DIA)
- are registered for GST
- have an account with an Australian financial institution
- are non-income tax exempt

and are one of the following entities:

- an entity incorporated in Australia
- a company limited by guarantee
- an incorporated trustee on behalf of a trust.

You can't apply if you are:

- an organisation, or your project partner is an organisation, included on the National Redress Scheme's list of Institutions that have not joined or signified their intent to join the Scheme
- an employer of 100 or more employees that has not complied with the Workplace Gender Equality Act (2012)
- an individual
- a partnership
- an overseas organisation
- an unincorporated association
- an organisation not included in section 4.1 of the grant opportunity guidelines
- a trust (however, an incorporated trustee may apply on behalf of a trust)
- a Commonwealth, state, territory or local government body (including government business enterprises).

Partner with other organisations

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You can partner with one or more other organisations that also meet the eligibility criteria. But you must decide who the lead organisation is.

The lead organisation must fill out the application form.

If we give your group the grant, the lead organisation:

- signs the grant agreement
- is responsible for making sure your group follows the rules in the grant agreement.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G14533/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G14533/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G14533/apply
Email: enquiries@industry.gov.au **Phone:** 13 28 46

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Growing the Peer Workforce

Funding Provider
Department of Health, Disability and Ageing

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Scholarship S05753

Primary Category
Mental health

Eligible to
- State Govt
- Business

Funding
Total Pool: $2,750,000

Rounds
Closes **5 Feb 2026**

Purpose

This grant opportunity supports action to grow the mental health and suicide prevention peer workforce by supporting 500 training placements for lived experience (peer) worker students.

Overview

The current Australian Qualifications Framework qualification available to peer workers is the Certificate IV in Mental Health Peer Work, which must be delivered and assessed through Registered Training Organisations (RTOs) such as TAFEs. To achieve this qualification, students must complete at least 80 hours of work, typically undertaken through a placement.

Multiple challenges have been identified for students to complete these placements, including a shortage of quality placement opportunities and adequately trained staff to supervise. This grant opportunity seeks to address this issue by supporting mental health and suicide prevention services to provide placements and appropriate supervision to students.

The objectives of the grant opportunity are to:

- facilitate better access to training placements across a range of mental health and suicide prevention service settings for students undertaking the Certificate IV in Mental Health Peer Work
- support supervision costs and build organisational readiness to host student placements in the Certificate IV in Mental Health Peer Work
- build capacity and diversity of the mental health and suicide prevention peer workforce.

The intended outcomes of the grant opportunity are to:

- provide increased and improved placement opportunities for peer work students in a range of locations and service settings, including increased access to placements for priority populations and/or areas of greatest need
- increase the number of students completing the Certificate IV in Mental Health Peer Work.

Limitations

To be eligible you must be one of the following entity types:

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- Indigenous Corporation (registered under the Corporations (Aboriginal and /or Torres Strait Islander) Act 2006)
- Company
- Corporate Commonwealth Entity
- Corporate State or Territory Entity
- Non-corporate State or Territory Entity
- Non-corporate State or Territory Statutory Authority
- Cooperative
- Incorporated Association
- Statutory Entity
- Partnership

If you are applying as a Trustee on behalf of a Trust, the Trustee must have an eligible entity type as listed above

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05753/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05753/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05753/apply
Email: Grant.ATM@health.gov.au

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Medicare Mental Health Kids Hub

Funding Provider
Health and Community Services Directorate (ACT)

Location
ACT

Funding Type
Contract Or Tender T00053

Primary Category
Mental health

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- University
- Business

Funding
Amount: $350,000 to $2,450,000
Total Pool: $2,450,000

Rounds
Closes **3 Feb 2026 4:00PM (AEDT)**

Purpose

This grant provides funding for one or more organisations to establish a new service.

Overview

This service will provide mental health and wellbeing supports to children aged 0-12, as well as their families, carers, and kin. This service will provide support for mild, moderate, and emerging mental health concerns.

The Medicare Mental Health Kids Hub aims to:

- Offer flexible, wrap-around supports
- Improve service collaboration

Respondents are asked to tender for one or more of the following options:

- Tender to deliver all parts of the Kids Hub service
    - Available funding for Option A - $2,450,000 (GST exclusive) per year for two years
- Tender with a pre-formed consortium to deliver all parts of the Kids Hub service
    - Available funding for Option B - $2,450,000 (GST exclusive) per year for two years
- Tender to provide one or more of these separate service elements:
    - On-site service delivery, for the infant and young children (0-4) cohort, available funding for Option C1 - $875,000 (GST exclusive) per year for two years.
    - On-site service delivery, for children aged 5-12, available funding for Option C2 - $875,000 (GST exclusive) per year for two years.
    - Specialist assessment and diagnosis of neurodevelopmental concerns (such as (but not restricted to) attention deficit hyperactivity disorder, autism spectrum disorder, intellectual disability, and learning disabilities). Available funding for Option C3 - $350,000 (GST exclusive) per year for two years

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• Outreach, available funding for Option C4 - $350,000 (GST exclusive) per year over two years

Limitations

Organisations can apply if they are:

- incorporated
- a partnership
- a joint application (consortia)
- a registered charity or not-for-profit organisation
- a publicly funded research organisation.

Organisations must also:

- have an Australian Business Number (ABN) or Australian Company Number (ACN)
- be GST registered
- have an account with an Australian financial institution.

Organisations should have experience:

- delivering specialised mental health and wellbeing supports to children and families
- working with multidisciplinary teams

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/T00053/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/T00053/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/T00053/apply
Email: MMHKidsHub@act.gov.au

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National Mental Health Pathways to Practice Program

Funding Providers
Australian Primary Health Care Nurses Association (APNA)
Department of Health, Disability and Ageing

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G18615

Primary Category
Mental health

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The program matches nurses in their first five years of caring for patients living with a mental health condition with experienced mental health nurses or nurse practitioner mentors.

Overview

This program run by APNA and funded by the Department of Health and Aged Care and backed by Monash and the Universities of Newcastle, Tasmania, and South Australia.

The benefits of the program include:

- Free professional development program allowing you to build your professional network and open doors to new career opportunities.
- Flexibility to suit your schedule - meet with your mentor online at a time and frequency that works for you.
- Tailored support from early on in your career - gain valuable insights from mental health nurses who have already been in your shoes and faced similar challenges. You'll receive personalised advice and support, helping you navigate challenges more effectively.

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- Develop your key professional and interpersonal skills through feedback and coaching.
- Build your confidence in your abilities and decisions.
- Mentors can help you identify career goals, improve job performance, and accelerate professional growth to advance your career.
- The mentoring relationship encourages self-reflection and will help you develop a clearer sense of your strengths and areas for future improvement.
- Contributes towards your continuing professional development (CPD) hours.

Limitations

You can be a mentee if you're a nurse in your first five years of caring for people living with a mental health condition and would like the opportunity to have a mentor.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G18615/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G18615/apply
Email: transitiontopractice@apna.asn.au **Phone:** 1300 303 184

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Pay it Forward Plan (PIF)

Funding Provider
ConnectGroups

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19460

Primary Category
Mental health

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
$10,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **9 Feb 2026**

Purpose

The Pay it Forward Plan (PIF) is an innovative early intervention and prevention mental health and social and emotional wellbeing (SEWB) program, providing small grants funding to peer support groups.

Overview

Pay it Forward grants are aimed at peer support groups and projects that focus on improving mental health and SEWB outcome for group members and the wider community, to provide tools to increase group recognition and membership, and to improve mental health literacy contributing to reduced stigma and strengthened interventions.

Funding up to $10,000 ex gst may be available.

Limitations

Eligibility

- Funding is open to all ConnectGroups members
- Projects must demonstrate that they align to the Pay it Forward program outcomes (see Assessment Criteria)
- Applications are up to $10,000 excluding GST
- Activities and service delivery must take place in Western Australia
- Applicants must not be in receipt of funding from the Mental Health Commission
- Projects should demonstrate clear objectives and anticipated outcomes
- Project budgets must be detailed, specific and transparent, have a clear and tangible timeframe and be accompanied by quotes
- Intended project delivery must be completed within the advised grant funding period

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19460/info

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Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19460/guidelines
Email: grants@connectgroups.org.au **Phone:** 08 9364 6909

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Ski for Life Grants

Funding Provider
Ski for Life Inc

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G07910

Primary Category
Mental health

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Funding is available through Ski for Life for projects which align with our mission of 'promoting mental health, wellbeing and suicide prevention.'

Overview

The aim of Ski for Life grants is to provide funding for projects/programs that have a direct impact on the targeted audience. Removing the stigma around mental health and suicide.

Project/programs must impact directly on communities throughout regional and rural Australia.

Limitations

Eligibility

Location:

Project/programs must impact directly on communities throughout regional and rural Australia.

Applicant:

- Have an Australian Business Number (ABN) or a recognised relationship with a legal entity (i.e., organisation or company with an ABN), to ensure the project will be appropriately managed.
- Be able to complete the project within 12 months from the receipt of funding.
- Not have started the project, funding will not be provided retrospectively.

Grant exclusion criteria

Grant funding is not available for:

- Identified wages and salaries (excluding presenters or guest speaker program packages)
- Identified travel/transport for non-presenters/guest speakers.
- Infrastructure project (i.e., construction, purchase or rent)
- Charity applications
- Private, corporate projects
- Metropolitan based projects
- Material and equipment resources

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G07910/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G07910/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G07910/apply
Email: grants@skiforlife.com.au

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Sponsorship Program

Funding Provider
Queensland Mental Health Commission

Location
QLD

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19468

Primary Category
Mental health

Eligible to
- TAFE
- School
- Not-for-Profit
- University
- State Govt
- Local Govt

Funding
$10,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Opens **3 Feb 2026** Closes **28 Feb 2026**

Opens **1 May 2026** Closes **30 May 2026**

Last Round
Closed **29 Nov 2025**

Purpose

The Commission invite Sponsorship Program applications on a quarterly basis to support events that promote the achievement of better mental health outcomes for Queenslanders.

Overview

Under the **Queensland Government Sponsorship Policy**, sponsorship is the right to associate the sponsor's (Commission) name, products or services with the sponsored organisation's service, product or activity, in return for negotiated and specific benefits such as cash or in-kind support or promotional opportunities. It involves a negotiated exchange and results in tangible, material and mutual compensation for the principal parties to the arrangement.

The Commission's Sponsorship Program takes the form of a one-off and non-recurrent funding payment of up to $10,000 with additional in-kind support and promotion of the event (if requested by the organisation).

The Commission is committed to supporting one-off events that:

- support one or more specific outcomes under ***Shifting minds: The Queensland Mental Health, Alcohol and Other Drugs, and Suicide Prevention Strategic Plan 2023–2028;***
- encourage and contribute to knowledge sharing and exchange about what works to improve the mental health and wellbeing of Queenslanders;
- contribute to the Commission's objectives; and
- promote the Commission's activities.

Organisations may apply for sponsorships up to $10,000 (excluding GST). The Commission may very occasionally consider supporting sponsorships up to a maximum of $20,000 (excluding GST), but this type of request will not be supported in full if funding for the round or financial year is limited/exhausted or would exclude other applicants for this reason.

Limitations

Eligibility requirements

Sponsorship requests will only be accepted from incorporated bodies, such as companies, statutory authorities, schools and universities, and eligible not-for-profit organisations.

The following applicant types are **not eligible** for sponsorship funding:

- Individual persons;
- Organisations that receive any form of funding from tobacco or alcohol companies either directly or indirectly.

The following types of events are **not eligible** for sponsorship funding:

- events that include relationships with tobacco or alcohol, or promote their usage;
- events that include product endorsements;
- events that do not recognise diversity in communities, families or cultures;
- events that include requests for funding to purchase capital works or assets of any kind;
- any event that is considered high risk or contravenes any Queensland Government or Commission policies;
- fundraising events; and
- events not covered by public liability insurance.

Note:

- Your proposed event must not rely on the Commission's sponsorship funding.

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- No applicant can be guaranteed sponsorship funding, nor can any applicant be guaranteed to receive the full amount requested.
- Sponsorship from the Commission is provided on a one-off basis, is drawn from a limited budget allocation, and should not be relied on for the continuity of your event.
- Any funding provided under the sponsorship may not be used for daily operating costs such as staff wages, grants given out by your organisation through another program, product or other endorsements, ex gratia payments, donations or gifts (excluding speaker gifts), the purchase of advertising space, editorial comments or other advertorials, or to enable the organisation's staff to attend training courses or other professional development.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19468/info
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19468/apply
Email: contracts@qmhc.qld.gov.au **Phone:** 1300 855 945

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Suicide Prevention for Men and Boys grants

Funding Provider
Queensland Mental Health Commission

Location
QLD

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19807

Primary Category
Mental health

Eligible to
Not-for-Profit

Funding
Amount: $300,000 to $600,000
Total Pool: $3,000,000

Rounds
Closes **6 Feb 2026 2pm (AEST)**

Purpose

The Men and Boys Grant Program has been established to enhance suicide prevention support and literacy, reduce risk factors and strengthen systems and community responses to male suicidality.

Overview

This grant program responds by strengthening early support, building meaningful connections, and promoting healthier masculinities to reduce risk and improve wellbeing. The grants will support initiatives that address one or more of the following priority areas:

- reducing risk factors
- enhancing suicide prevention literacy and coping capacity
- supporting life transitions
- strengthening gender-responsive and culturally safe systems
- building community-led partnerships and reducing stigma.

A total funding pool of up $3 million is available, with initiatives between $300,000 to $600,000 per initiative.

Limitations

To be eligible to apply for a grant, the applicant must:

- have a registered Australian Business Number or Australian Charity Number (ACN) and be
- registered for GST purposes, where relevant
- be Queensland based or will deliver the initiative in Queensland
- hold or will obtain the appropriate workers' compensation, public liability and professional indemnity insurance required to undertake this initiative and all related activities
- have no outstanding financial liability, service delivery or performance issues for funding previously and/or currently provided by the Queensland Government.

Applicants are not eligible where they:

- are an unincorporated association, a sole trader, or an individual

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- a commercial organisation
- declared bankrupt or subject to insolvency proceedings (as relevant to the entity type)
- accept any form of funding from tobacco and/or alcohol companies or their related foundations either directly or indirectly or promote the use of tobacco, alcohol or illicit drugs
- seek to promote political or religious views or ideologies. This includes ideologies that promote harmful masculinities, misogyny or support, promote, minimise or excuse the use of violence, including violence against women and children.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19807/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19807/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19807/apply
Email: contracts@qmhc.qld.gov.au

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Access to Specialist Phone Equipment - Disability Equipment Program

Funding Providers
Telstra
Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communications, Sport and the Arts
Optus

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Scholarship S04627

Primary Category
People with disabilities

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Some people need specialist equipment to make a phone call. They can rent it from Telstra or Optus for the same cost as a standard phone or buy their own. There are also teletypewriter (TTY) payphones in some areas.

Overview

Telstra's Accessibility Equipment Program offers accessible home phones or text telephones/Teletypewriter (TTY). To be eligible, users need to be unable to use a standard telephone handset.

Optus customers are able to rent a TTY telephone. There is no minimum lease term and you can cancel at anytime without incurring any end of lease or equipment return fees.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Email, Phone
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S04627/info
Email: https://www.infrastructure.gov.au/contact-us

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Arthur Marsden Whiting Sympathy Fund

Funding Provider
Equity Trustees

Location
VIC

Funding Type
Cash Grant G06894

Primary Category
People with disabilities

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
Amount: $0 to $3,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Arthur Marsden Whiting's Sympathy Fund was established to provide assistance to people with a physical disability who are in need of financial support. The Fund is administered by Equity Trustees Limited (the Trustee) in accordance with the specific instructions contained in the Will of Arthur Marsden Whiting.

Overview

Grants are available for equipment, treatment, education or training and other types of assistance needed to care for a person with a disability.

One grant of up to $3,000 per applicant is available within a 12-month period. The grant may be increased from time to time dependent on funds available for distribution.

The round is open all year with four specific assessment rounds.

Applications Received	Assessed	Notification to Applicant
1 January to 31 March	April	May
1 April to 30 June	July	August
1 July to 30 September	October	November
1 October to 31 December	January	February

Limitations

To be eligible for assistance, applicants must:

- Have a primary disability that impairs mobility;
- Be of the Protestant faith;
- Reside in the State of Victoria;
- Not suffer from alcoholism; and
- Meet financial eligibility criteria as determined by the panel.
- Be in need of financial assistance in order to obtain equipment, education or training, or any other assistance for the care of the person with a disability.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G06894/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G06894/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G06894/apply
Email: charities@eqt.com.au **Phone:** 03 8623 5000

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Bikes4Kids Community and Schools Grants

Funding Provider
Variety - the Children's Charity

Location
TAS

Funding Type
Cash Grant G13823

Primary Category
People with disabilities

Eligible to
- School
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Variety Bikes4Kids Program aims to give the gift of freedom, independence, exercise and joy to children who are sick or have additional needs, or those who have never been fortunate enough to have a bike of their own.

Overview

If you are an organisation applying for a Bike4Kids Grant, please click here.

If you are a family or individual applying for a Bikes4Kids grant for your own child please click here.

Bikes are presented to successfully nominated children during a presentation in December each year. The number of bikes available are limited and are allocated based on the requirements listed, on a first come, first served basis.

Limitations

In order to be eligible for the program, a child must:

- Be living with illness, disadvantage or disability.
- Be aged between 5 – 17 years.
- Not already own a bike, or own one that is in working order.
- Not have previously received a bike from Variety.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G13823/info
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G13823/apply
Email: info@varietytas.org.au **Phone:** 6248 4888

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Community Grants (TAS)

Funding Provider
Variety - the Children's Charity

Location
TAS

Funding Type
Cash Grant G10904

Primary Category
People with disabilities

Eligible to
- School
- Not-for-Profit
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Variety Tasmania gives grants to organisations that support Tassie kids in need, including schools, not-for-profit organisations and community groups.

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Overview

Variety Tasmania promotes inclusivity for all Tassie kids! Schools and Organisations are invited to apply for a grant to go towards the purchase of equipment or running programs that promote accessibility, inclusion and wellbeing for children and young people under 18 years of aged who are financially disadvantaged, geographically isolated and/or living with a disability or chronic illness.

Please come to Variety with projects or programs that are creative and can present innovative solutions to the challenges or the issue you are trying to address.

To be considered to apply, you are required to email a high-level description of your project including its objectives and estimated cost to info@varietytas.org.au. If the proposal meets Variety's expectations and meets the criteria set out in the guidelines, they will send you a link so you can submit your application.

Limitations

Eligibility:

- Must be based and operating in Tasmania
- Must be not-for-profit registered in Tasmania
- Must directly service children aged under 18 years old in one or more of the following areas:
    - Children living with a disability
    - Children living under financial hardship
    - Children living with chronic illness
    - Priority given to applications that serve children in remote and rural areas.

Previous recipients will not be considered for another Community Grant until 12 months after the date listed on the Outcome Letter.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Email
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G10904/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G10904/guidelines
Email: info@varietytas.org.au **Phone:** (03) 6248 4888

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Community Grants (Vic)

Funding Provider
Variety - the Children's Charity

Location
VIC

Funding Type
Cash Grant G14236

Primary Category
People with disabilities

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- School
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Variety provide grants to Victorian schools and organisations for the purchase of equipment that will promote all-access and inclusivity in the community.

Overview

Schools and NFP Organisations are invited to apply for a grant which will go towards the purchase of equipment to promote accessibility and inclusivity in the community for children aged 0-17 years with disability, chronic illness, financial disadvantage or geographic isolation.

The applicant may only apply for one or more items as part of their grant request. The items must directly benefit children as per the eligibility criteria above. Examples of grant requests are, but not limited to:

- Supplies such as decodable readers, musical instruments
- Equipment such as inclusive play equipment and sensory rooms and items.

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- Sensory rooms and items must comply with Victorian Education Department policy
- Technology such as iPads, smart boards, hearing loops, c-pens.

Limitations

You are eligible to apply for a community grant provided that:

- The school or organisation:
  - is based and operating in Victoria
  - is not a private school or business
  - directly services children under the age of 18 in one or more of the following areas
    - disability and/or chronic illness
    - financial disadvantage
    - geographic isolation
  - Previous recipients will not be considered for another community grant until 2 years after the date listed on their outcome letter

What won't be funded:

- Expenses that have already been initiated or have already occurred prior to submission or written approval
- Incomplete application forms
- Equipment from non-Australian distributors that cannot be invoiced directly to Variety or services outside Australia
- Capital works
- Installation costs
- Wages, training and seminars
- Research
- Insurance, service or maintenance costs
- Programs

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G14236/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G14236/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G14236/apply
Email: kidssupport@varietyvic.org.au

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Disability Inclusion Grants

Funding Provider
Health and Community Services Directorate (ACT)

Location
ACT

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19783

Primary Category
People with disabilities

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Business
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
$20,000

Rounds
Closes **18 Feb 2026**

Purpose

This program aims to provide financial support to organisations and small businesses for increased opportunities for people with disability to participate in mainstream community or social groups.

Overview

The 2025-26 Disability Inclusion Grants have 4 priority areas for projects and initiatives:

- Reduce or remove physical, attitudinal, and/or communication barriers to access and inclusion
- Enable greater participation in community life for people with disability
- Include people with disability in the planning and implementation
- Result in meaningful improvements with a broad reach benefiting many people with disability in the ACT community

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The Community Services Directorate would like to see innovative, creative, and sustainable approaches to increasing the inclusion of people with disability. Of particular interest are activities that reflect engagement with people with disability and their supporters that impact upon as many people as possible.

Limitations

Who can apply?

- Organisations
- Partnerships, or collaborations
- Small businesses

Organisation eligibility requirements

Organisations can apply if they:

- operate in the ACT
- are a non-government, legally incorporated entity, or support by an incorporated auspicing organisation
- are a registered not-for-profit or a charitable organisation
- have no overdue acquittals
- have the right insurance to cover your activity.

Small business eligibility requirements

Small businesses can apply if they:

- operate in the ACT
- are a small business as defined by the Australian Bureau of Statistics - small business operators are those operators who employ fewer than 20 persons (including non-employing business)
- have no overdue acquittals
- have the right insurance to cover your activity.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19783/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19783/guidelines

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19783/apply
Contact: CSD Office for Disability
Email: CSDGrants@act.gov.au

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Disability Self Help Grants program

Funding Provider
Department of Families, Fairness and Housing (DFFH) (VIC)

Location
VIC

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19553

Primary Category
People with disabilities

Eligible to
Not-for-Profit

Funding
$7,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **27 Jan 2026 4pm**

Purpose

The Disability self-help grants program provides grants to Victorian disability self-help groups in need of financial assistance to meet some of their costs. Assisting with those costs helps self-help groups to provide social, emotional and practical support to their members.

Overview

Grants of up to $7,000 per year for 1 or 2 years are available to help disability self help groups to run (a total maximum of $14,000 over 2 years).

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Priority groups for this round include:

- First Nations people
- young people (aged 12-25 years)
- women and girls
- people from culturally diverse communities
- neurodivergent people
- people who identify as LGBTIQA+
- people in regional or rural Victoria.

Limitations

Eligible groups must:

- be an incorporated not-for-profit community organisation or have an auspice (see Auspice arrangements on page)
- have a current Australian Business Number (ABN)
- have a bank account in the name of the disability self help group or auspice organisation
- have met the terms and conditions of any previous grants
- not have any overdue final reports from previous state funded grants.

Also, disability self help groups must:

- have a focus on disability
- be led by members who have lived experience of disability.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Mail, Email
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19553/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19553/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19553/apply
Email: disabilityshg@dffh.vic.gov.au **Phone:** 1300 880 043

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Electricity life support

Funding Provider
Department of Premier and Cabinet (QLD)

Location
QLD

Funding Type
Cash Grant G05428

Primary Category
People with disabilities

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$1,024
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Queensland Government provides an electricity life support concession for eligible people who are seriously ill and use a home-based oxygen concentrator or kidney dialysis machine.

Overview

This concession is to contribute to the electricity cost of running these machines.

If you or someone in your household depends on life support equipment, contact your electricity provider and register your household as a life support household. If you lose power, you will be contacted and provided with updates on when it will be fixed. You can register as a life support household even if you are not eligible for the Life Support Concession.

Payments

If you are eligible for the concession, you will receive a payment of:

- $1,063.30 per year for each oxygen concentrator, or

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- $712.07 per year for each kidney dialysis machine you use.

The concession is calculated monthly and paid quarterly into your nominated bank account.

Payment dates

You will receive your payment on or around 1 January, 1 April, 1 July and 1 October each year, by electronic funds transfer to your nominated bank account.

Applications lodged less than 21 days before the payment date will be paid on the next payment date.

Limitations

Eligibility

Oxygen concentrators

To be eligible, you must:

- receive your oxygen concentrator free of charge through the Medical Aids Subsidy Scheme (MASS)

AND

- have been medically assessed in accordance with the eligibility criteria determined by MASS

AND

- hold one of the following concession cards:
    - Pensioner Concession Card
    - Health Care Card
    - Health Care Interim Voucher
    - Child Disability Allowance
    - Queensland Seniors Card.

Kidney dialysis machines

To be eligible, you must receive your home-based kidney dialysis machine free of charge through a Queensland Health hospital.

Oxygen concentrators and kidney dialysis machines not supplied by MASS or Queensland Health

If you have an oxygen concentrator or kidney dialysis machine, but MASS or Queensland Health did not supply it, you are not eligible to receive the electricity life support concession.

Private and home care package supplied oxygen concentrators and kidney dialysis machines are not eligible for this concession.

The electricity life support concession is not available for any other machines supplied through Queensland Health or other agencies.

Continuous Positive Airflow Pressure (CPAP) machine users are not eligible to receive the concession.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Email, Phone
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G05428/info
Email: concessions@smartservice.qld.gov.au **Phone:** 13 74 68

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Employment Assistance Fund (EAF)

Funding Provider
JobAccess

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19649

Primary Category
People with disabilities

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Employment Assistance Fund (EAF) provides reimbursements to an Applicant for workplace modifications, equipment and services necessary for a person with disability to perform their employment duties.

Overview

The EAF can help people whether they are working, about to start work, or self-employed.

The EAF can fund changes related to workplaces, equipment and support services. This includes covering the cost of things like:

- Building modifications - such as automatic doors, lighting changes and ramps
- changes to work vehicles
- special equipment - including braille printers, joysticks or mouse alternatives and headsets
- assistive technology and communication devices - such as a hearing loop system, touch screen, or screen reading software
- Auslan interpreting services

More details are at What the EAF can cover.

Limitations

The EAF is to support eligible people with disability who are working, about to start work, or self-employed. Find out more at Who is eligible for the EAF.

To use the EAF you need to apply. You can apply if you're:

- an employer
- an employee
- self-employed
- a job seeker
- a service provider.

To be eligible for assistance a person with disability must:

- have an ongoing disability that has lasted (or is likely to last) for at least two years and results in limitation, restriction or impairment that substantially affects that person's ability to perform their employment duties; and
- require a modification to their workplace as a result of their disability, and the modification is essential to carrying out their Employment duties; and
- be an Australian Resident (as defined in the Glossary to these Guidelines).
    - An exception to this requirement is where, from 1 June 2021, an Applicant is either a Temporary Protection Visa (TPV) holder or a Safe Haven Enterprise Visa (SHEV) holder.

A person with disability must also meet at least one of the following criteria:

- have an offer of employment; or
- be employed for a minimum of 8 hours per week, for at least 13 weeks; or
- be employed for a minimum of 8 hours per week, where that employment is reasonably expected to continue for at least 13 weeks; or
- be a Self-employed Worker who has been working at least 8 hours per week over the last 13 weeks and earning an hourly income that is at least equivalent to the National Minimum Wage; or
- are employed for less than 8 hours a week due to their capacity, provided they are building towards at least 8 hours per week employment and have a commitment from their employer to support this. This may be considered by the JobAccess provider on a case-by-case basis.

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See guidelines for more detailed information.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19649/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19649/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19649/apply
Phone: 1800 464 800

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Fair - Community Wellbeing Funding

Funding Provider
The Ian Potter Foundation

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G18636

Primary Category
People with disabilities

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- University
- Unincorporated Assoc
- DGR Required

Funding
Amount: $100,000 to Undisclosed
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Expression of Interest (EOI) Required to apply
Opens **16 Jun 2026** Closes **2 Jul 2026**

Rounds
Closes **3 Sep 2026**

Purpose

In the Community Wellbeing program area, the Foundation seeks to identify and support those organisations which have well thought out projects that seek to help vulnerable members of the community to overcome the challenging circumstances in which they find themselves.

Overview

In the next open round for Community Wellbeing, the focus will be exclusively on projects and organisations operating and/or delivering activities in rural and remote areas of Australia.

The Foundations support extends both to organisations that have demonstrated success and to those seeking to make well-considered innovations. The Foundation favours programs that are preventative in nature and seek to address the root causes of disadvantage.

Funding Objective

- To improve circumstances for disadvantaged members of the community, this program area funds initiatives delivered by organisations supporting people with disabilities, or otherwise marginalised individuals primarily with the objective to secure employment pathways.

Organisations of any size are encouraged to apply. The Foundation only considers grant applications for multi-year grants for a minimum of $100,000.

The Foundation particularly encourages applications in high-need areas that have a strong volunteer component and/or a volunteer Board that is a representative cross-section of the community.

Limitations

Is your organisation eligible?

Only charitable organisations that hold both DGR Item 1 and TCC status are eligible to apply for a grant. Refer to Can We Apply? to learn more and complete the Eligibility Quiz.

Important to know

- Applicants must speak with the Program Manager before preparing an Expression of Interest (EOI). Calls can be booked approximately 2-3 weeks prior to the funding round opening.
- University applicants should contact their Advancement/Research Office prior to submitting an EOI or Application. See specific instructions for applications from universities or research institutes.
- Please note that existing projects may not be eligible. Occasionally the Foundation will support a development or innovation to an existing project but please contact the relevant program manager before proceeding.

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- Applications for each program area are open once a year for consideration by the Board of Governors.
- In general, the recommended minimum grant amount for institutions and organisations is $100,000 per year and grants are usually multi-year.
- We encourage all organisations to apply regardless of their size; in the case of smaller organisations, the award can be for smaller amounts over multiple years.
- Proposals that are collaborative and/or share knowledge with the broader sector are encouraged.
- The Foundation rarely awards the full amount of any project. Please ensure that you have alternative providers of funding and that your application clearly considers any possible grant from the Foundation in this context.
- Please also refer to our Funding Principles for further information.

Please refer to the RRMA classification for Rural and Remote (Table 1, page 5 of Rural, regional and remotehealth:A guide to remoteness classifications, Australian Institute of Health and Welfare) to determine if your project/organisation meets these requirements.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G18636/info
Website: https://www.ianpotter.org.au/contact-us/ **Phone:** (03) 9650 3188

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Individual Grants (SA)

Funding Provider
Variety - the Children's Charity

Location
SA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G15117

Primary Category
People with disabilities

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Variety SA Grants Program provides much needed equipment and resources for SA children who are sick, disadvantaged or have special needs.

Overview

The grant program helps children and their families facing challenges by giving them access to resources such as mobility equipment, communication devices, learning aids, technology & more.

Limitations

The Variety SA Grants Committee meets once a month and applications are considered against set guidelines, including but not limited to:

- Variety supports causes that assist children up to 18 years of age.
- Variety SA does not give cash donations; we only fund the purchase of equipment and tangible items.
- Variety SA will not approve grant applications where alternative funding sources are available. Proof of any unsuccessful alternate funding should be included in the application.
- Applications will not be considered for retrospective funding.
- Variety SA does not fund research or rehabilitation services, bikes and trikes for children under 5 or salaries and administration costs.
- Variety SA funds vehicles for organisations as well as individuals, provided that applicants are deemed to not be able to fully finance the purchase of the vehicle themselves.
- Each applicant (individual or organisation) must complete the application form available on this website. All questions must be answered and additional paperwork submitted as requested – if this does not occur, it will delay the decision process as grants will not be reviewed until all information is received.
- There is a limit of one grant per recipient per year, except in special circumstances.
- The Grants Committee will assess each grant thoroughly; if more information is required, a committee member may follow up via telephone, email, or in person.

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- The entire process normally takes up to several months for an outcome to be advised. Once the Board has endorsed the Grant Committee's recommendations, the applicant will be notified in writing whether their application has been approved or declined.
- The grant reference number must be quoted on all invoices relating to payment of expenses for the grant. Unless an extension has been granted, all grant funding will expire within 12 months of the date of approval.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G15117/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G15117/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G15117/apply
Email: kidssupport@varietysa.org.au **Phone:** (08) 8293 8744

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Individual Grants (TAS)

Funding Provider
Variety - the Children's Charity

Location
TAS

Funding Type
Cash Grant G10905

Primary Category
People with disabilities

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$5,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Variety Tasmania helps children and their families with financial support to purchase essential items and equipment that are not funded by other community, government or charity organisations.

Overview

Variety Tasmania aims to empower children, who fall through the gaps of the system and have no other sources of support available to them.

Variety Tasmania provides practical equipment, experiences and resources (such as communication devices, mobility or medical equipment) for children, under the age of 18 years old, who are sick, disadvantaged or have additional needs.

Individual Grants are usually capped at $5,000 per application annually.

Before you consider applying for a Grant with Variety Tasmania, please take the time to explore what else may be available for you by visiting Find Your Way (http://findingyourway.com.au/) and Find Help Tasmania (www.findhelptas.com.au).

Limitations

Eligibility

- Applicants must be a resident of Tasmania.
- Applications can only be accepted for children under the age of 18 years old.
- Net household income must be less than $90,000 per annum, across all income streams (dividends, investments and salaries etc.)
- Unsuccessful applicants may be eligible to reapply for a Variety Grant again 12 months after the date listed on their outcome letter.

Ineligible costs

The following will not be considered

- Retrospective funding – only items purchased after the approval date will be eligible to claim
- Servicing and/or maintenance of item(s) and/or equipment
- Installation/technical support or therapeutical
- Insurance/Warranty

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Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G10905/info
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G10905/apply
Email: info@varietytas.org.au **Phone:** (03) 6248 4888

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Individual Grants (Vic)

Funding Provider
Variety - the Children's Charity

Location
VIC

Funding Type
Cash Grant G14237

Primary Category
People with disabilities

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Variety Victoria provide assistance towards the purchase of mobility equipment, communication devices and essential medical and health equipment to support Victorian children who have a medically diagnosed chronic illness or disability.

Overview

The grant applicant may only apply for one item that is directly related to the child's diagnosis and is supported by a GP or an allied health professional (please see 'Documentation' below). The item listed on the application will form is the basis of the grant and if successful, and therefore cannot be amended after the approval date.

Some examples of grants include:

- mobility equipment
- equipment to support children with an intellectual or physical disability
- equipment to help families care for their seriously ill children at home.

Limitations

To be eligible for a grant the recipient/child must:

- Be a Victorian resident.
- Be aged 17 or under as at the round closing date, that is, has not turned 18.
- Have a disability or long-term health condition as recognised by a designated health professional.

To be eligible for a grant the family household income must:

- be below $200,000 per annum. All income should be considered including any child support payments, rental income, investment income or any other income that is received by the parent/carer who is financially responsible for the recipient/child.

Previous recipients/children can apply for additional grants 2 years after the date listed on their original outcome letter.

Variety recommends that you consult with your NDIS Planner, GP, Specialist, or social/support workers before starting a grant application so they can support you through the process.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G14237/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G14237/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G14237/apply
Email: kidssupport@varietyvic.org.au

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JFM Funding for Individuals

Funding Provider
JFM Fund

Location
SA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G15766

Primary Category
People with disabilities

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$20,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Julia Farr MS McLeod Benevolent Fund (the JFM Fund) provides grant funding for projects to develop, test and grow innovations and new models in disability inclusion to advance the opportunities for people with disability to be active citizens in the life of their community.

Overview

JFM Fund want to support South Australians with disability who have a great idea for creating new opportunities for people with disability to engage with communities of their choice. This could be a product that improves access to communities, or a new model of inclusion. Their grants will contribute towards the development, testing or launch costs of new products or services that support people with disability to take up active, contributing roles in communities and activities of their choice. This may include costs such as:

- Professional advice, coaching and mentoring to help you develop your idea.
- Development costs such as design, materials or research
- Production/delivery costs for prototype products, or to pilot a new service or activity.
- Launch costs such as intellectual property protection or marketing costs.

Grants should address areas identified by engagement with people with disability, which include:

- Community attitudes.
- Accessibility including physical access, communications and the online environment.
- Transport.
- Housing.
- Education.
- Employment.
- Services including access, quality and choice.
- Regional issues.
- Intersectionality

The maximum grant for individuals is $20,000.

Multi-year grants, up to a maximum of 3 years may be available.

Applications are available throughout the year, until funds are exhausted.

Limitations

Am I eligible?

Funding is available to adults with disability who are resident in South Australia.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Mail, Email, Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G15766/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G15766/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G15766/apply
Website: www.jfm.org.au/ **Email:** grants@juliafarr.org.au **Phone:** (08) 8373 8333

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JFM Funding for Organisations

Funding Provider
JFM Fund

Location
SA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G15770

Primary Category
People with disabilities

Eligible to
- School
- Not-for-Profit
- University
- Local Govt
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
Amount: Unknown
Total Pool: Unknown

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Funding for organisations to develop, test and grow innovations and new models in disability inclusion, and policy and advocacy work, so that people with disability have more opportunities to be included as valued, contributing members in communities of their choice.

Overview

JFM will fund great, new and disruptive ideas, from start-up stage through to scale up. Our preference is to support innovations that have been identified by people with disability to address the issues experienced by the disability community.

They will also consider projects that adapt and customise proven models of inclusion to new contexts and environments.

JFM Fund will look to address needs identified by people with disability.

Grant applications should either:

Present ideas developed or identified by people with disability through codesign with people with disabilities, or

Address areas identified by our engagement with people with disability, which include:

- Community attitudes.
- Accessibility including physical access, communications and the online environment.
- Transport.
- Housing.
- Education.
- Employment.
- Services including access, quality and choice.
- Regional issues.
- Intersectionality.

These needs may change over the period of the strategy, depending on what the disability community tells us.

Applications must demonstrate scope to influence policy or practice beyond the direct impact of the grant. This could be via advocacy, through production of shareable resources (such as learning and methodologies) or through demonstration projects that are scalable and replicable.

Funding:

There is no fixed minimum or maximum grant size. In financial years 2022-23 and 2023-24, grants ranged in size between $8,000 and $230,000. Multi-year grants, up to a maximum of three years.

Limitations

Funding is available to:

- Social purpose organisations (including not-for-profits, social enterprises, universities and governments) who demonstrate an existing commitment to inclusion through engagement of people with disability in recognised roles in governance and/or workforce. This inclusion must be in place before you will be considered for a grant.
- Individuals with disability (see separate guidelines on our grants to individuals).

We will consider joint (or consortium) applications from two or more organisations. We will also consider auspicing arrangements for organisations who are not formally constituted or who lack the internal capacity to manage all aspects of grant delivery, financial administration and reporting.

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Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Mail, Email, Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G15770/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G15770/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G15770/apply
Email: grants@juliafarr.org.au **Phone:** (08) 8373 8333

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Medical Aids Subsidy Scheme

Funding Provider
Queensland Health

Location
QLD

Funding Type
Cash Grant S04546

Primary Category
People with disabilities

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Medical Aids Subsidy Scheme (MASS) provides funding for medical aids and equipment to eligible Queensland residents who have a permanent and stabilised condition or a disability. The scheme helps people to live at home and avoid early or inappropriate residential care or hospitalisation.

Overview

Aids and equipment are subsidy funded on a permanent loan basis, through private ownership or the supply of consumables. If you pay for more than 50% of the cost for an item, you can choose to take ownership, rather than having a permanent loan. However, this means that you are responsible for all repairs to that item.

Types of aids and equipment

Prescribers should also refer to the relevant application guidelines and forms for each type of aid/equipment:

- communication aids
- continence aids
- daily living aids and mobility aids
- heat moisture exchangers
- home oxygen
- medical grade footwear
- orthoses
- spectacles

Limitations

Eligibility

Eligibility is determined by both administrative and clinical criteria.

Administrative eligibility

Administrative eligibility is dependent upon the following:

- The applicant is a permanent Queensland resident;
- The applicant must hold one of the following eligibility cards - in the name of the applicant:
    - Centrelink Pensioner Concession Card;
    - Centrelink Health Care Card;
    - Centrelink Confirmation Concession Card Entitlement Form (conditions apply)
    - Department of Veteran Affairs (DVA) pensioner Concession Card (conditions apply);
    - Queensland Government Seniors Card.

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Applicants need to provide a copy of both sides of the eligibility card or signed consent to access Centrelink information on the MASS 84 Proxy Access to Centrelink Information Form. The MASS 84 form includes information for the client about its purpose and scope.

Clinical eligibility

- Clinical eligibility will be determined by the MASS Clinical Advisor based on information provided by the prescriber;
- The applicant has a permanent and stabilised condition or disability which impairs their ability to function independently in their home environment;
- Clinical justification is documented by the prescribing health professional from a functional and clinical perspective, with regard to the applicant's prognosis, and the expected benefit to the applicant from the prescribed Assistive technology;
- The applicant or carer can appropriately store and maintain the prescribed assistive technology.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S04546/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S04546/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S04546/apply
Contact: Queensland Health
Email: mass184@health.qld.gov.au **Phone:** (07) 3136 3636

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Mobility Equipment Grant

Funding Provider
Variety - the Children's Charity

Location
NSW, ACT

Funding Type
Cash Grant G14661

Primary Category
People with disabilities

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$1,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

This grant supports families in purchasing life-changing equipment to increase physical development, independence, and social inclusion.

Overview

The primary aim of the Mobility Grant is to provide mobility equipment that is not easily available through statutory services.

We recommend you speak with your support person (e.g. medical professional, case worker, teacher, OT) to ensure they can assist you with some key sections of the application.

Funding: Up to $1,000 (actual cost may vary depending on the assessment needed).

Limitations

Eligibility:

- Child is aged 18 years or under
- Child had a disability or long-term health condition formally documented by a health professional.
- Family household income is below $130,000 per year
    - this includes child support, investment income, overseas income, or any other income by parent/carers financially responsible for the child
- All residents of NSW and ACT can apply, including non-citizens, temporary visa holders and refugees.

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If your child receives NDIS funding, they may not be eligible for this grant. If the item you're applying for isn't included in their NDIS plan, please explain why and share a copy of the NDIS decision letter showing their reason for not funding the requested item.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G14661/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G14661/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G14661/apply
Email: kidssupport@varietynsw.org.au **Phone:** 02 9819 1000

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National Sign Language Program

Funding Provider
Department of Health, Disability and Ageing

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G14657

Primary Category
People with disabilities

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Business
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
Total Pool: $0

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The NSLP provides free sign language interpreting and captioning services for Deaf, Deafblind and hard of hearing older people.

Overview

The NSLP supports the communication needs of Deaf, Deafblind and hard of hearing older people to engage with aged care services, take part in professional and social activities, and from 1 July 2024, health and medical appointments that attract a Medicare rebate.

Deaf Connect provides services 7 days a week, including emergencies and after business hours (if required).
They include:

- face-to-face and video remote sign language interpreting
- sign language services include Auslan, First Nations languages, American Sign Language, International Sign Language, and Signed English
- tactile signing and hand-over-hand signing for deafblind people.
- live captioning either onsite or remotely.

Book services as soon as possible to make sure an interpreter or stenographer (captioning) is available through Deaf Connect.

For Individual Clients:

If you are a client, you can make your own booking by contacting Deaf Connect.

You do not need a booking code, but must register with Deaf Connect if you have not already done so.

You can also ask your service provider or assessment organisation to book an interpreter or stenographer for you.

For Service Providers:

As a service provider, you must register your organisation on the booking platform before contacting Deaf Connect to make an appointment for the first time.

Once registered, you will receive a booking code, which you must use each time you book an interpreting or captioning service.

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Limitations

Who is it for?

You can access the NSLP if you are:

- Deaf, Deafblind or hard of hearing
- aged 65 years and older (50 or over for First Nations people)
- not eligible for the National Disability Insurance Scheme.

Your organisation is eligible to use the NSLP if you provide aged care services, including:

- care finders
- Regional Assessment Services
- Aged Care Assessment Teams
- Commonwealth Home Support Programme
- Home Care Packages
- residential aged care
- other aged care services subsidised by the Australian Government.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Phone, Email, Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G14657/info
Address:
Website: https://deafconnect.org.au/services/interpreting/free-sign-language-interpreting-for-deaf-seniors#make-booking **Email:** interpreting@deafconnect.org.au **Phone:** 1300 773 803

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Rehabilitation Appliances Program (RAP)

Funding Provider
Department of Veterans' Affairs

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G04960

Primary Category
People with disabilities

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Rehabilitation Appliances Program (RAP) assists entitled veterans, war widow/ers and dependants through the provision of aids and appliances to minimise the impact of disabilities, enhance quality of life and maximise independence when undertaking daily living activities.

Overview

RAP assists eligible members of the veteran community to be as independent and self-reliant as possible in their own homes. The provision of aids and appliances helps to minimise the impact of disabilities and maximises quality of life and independence.

The RAP supplies items (such as aids, equipment and modifications) to clients to:

- help them with an assessed clinical health care need
- minimise the impact of their disabilities or dysfunction
- improve their quality of life
- enable them to live safely and with independence
- facilitate their participation in the community
- be an adjunct to their health treatment or a rehabilitation plan.

RAP National Guidelines help you understand RAP's criteria for more complex items.

- Adjustable electric beds

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- Assistance dogs (include psychiatric assistance dogs)
- Assistive communications devices
- Assistive listening devices
- Desktop Electronic Magnifier
- Continence products
- Electric mobility aids
- Electric recliner chairs
- Diabetes Products
- Domiciliary Medical Oxygen Therapy
- Complex Home Modifications including lifts
- Mattresses (Pressure Care)
- Medical Compression Garments
- Positive airway pressure (PAP)
- Personal Response Systems
- Vehicle Modifications and Driving Assessments

Limitations

Who is eligible?

Clients may be eligible for the RAP if they have an assessed clinical need and either a:

- Veteran Gold Card
- Veteran White Card and the equipment is for an accepted condition

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Mail, Email
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G04960/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G04960/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G04960/apply
Email: rapgeneralenquiries@dva.gov.au **Phone:** 1800 550 457

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Taxi Subsidy Scheme

Funding Provider
Department of Transport and Main Roads (QLD)

Location
QLD

Funding Type
Subsidised Goods And Services S04626

Primary Category
People with disabilities

Eligible to
✔ Individual

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Taxi Subsidy Scheme provides an affordable and accessible transport option for people with a disability who experience profound difficulties using other modes of public passenger transport.

Overview

The Taxi Subsidy Scheme (TSS) subsidises taxi travel—half of the total fare, up to a maximum of $30 per trip—for people with severe disabilities.

TSS pays half the value of a member's taxi fare, up to a maximum fare of $60. There is no limit on the number of taxi journeys a member may take to attract the subsidy. The subsidy is paid to taxi drivers—members have no additional costs.

TSS membership lasts for a maximum of 5 years. To extend your membership, you must reapply before the expiry date.

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If you have a temporary disability, 6 to 12 month memberships are available.

The Queensland Government has confirmed that eligible National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) participants can continue to access the TSS until appropriate transport support arrangements are in place, up to 31 October 2025.

The Queensland Government is focused on ensuring appropriate transport support arrangements are in place for NDIS-eligible TSS members and will continue to work with the Commonwealth to address this matter.

A Lift Payment of $20 (inclusive of GST) applies for each eligible Wheelchair Accessible Taxi (WAT) trip involving transportation of a TSS member who is required to travel in a wheelchair. The Lift Payment is not part of the taxi fare so there is no additional cost to a TSS member.

Limitations

To be eligible for the Taxi Subsidy Scheme, you must fully meet at least one of the eligibility criteria listed below:

- physical disability requiring dependance on a wheelchair for all mobility outside the home
- severe ambulatory problem that cannot functionally be improved and restricts walking to an extremely limited distance
- total loss of vision or severe visual impairment (both eyes)
- severe and uncontrollable epilepsy with seizures involving loss of consciousness
- intellectual impairment or dementia resulting in the need to be accompanied by another person at all times for travel on public transport.
- severe emotional and/or behaviour disorders with a level of disorganisation resulting in the need to be accompanied by another person at all times for travel on public transport.

Once approved, your smartcard will be valid for a maximum of 5 years. You must reapply before your current smartcard expires.

If your disability is of a temporary nature, temporary membership may be granted for a period of 12 months to 2 years after which you must reapply.

The following reasons are not grounds for approval

- Difficulty in accessing bus/train due to availability, timetable, remoteness or terrain
- Financial constraints
- Pension/concession card holder
- Inability to drive
- Episodic mobility problems
- Short term mobility restrictions of five months or less, (for example, following surgery or acute injuries such as fractures).

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Mail, Email
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S04626/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S04626/apply
Contact: Queensland Transport
Email: tssu@translink.com.au **Phone:** 1300 134 755

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The Joseph Seridis Trust Fund

Funding Provider
The Joseph Seridis Trust Fund

Location
SA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G02995

Primary Category
People with disabilities

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

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Purpose

The aim of the Trust is to assist people of all ages, with a physical and or multiple disabilities, by meeting the cost of providing equipment associated with enhancing daily living, independence and quality of life.

Overview

The income from the Trust Fund will be distributed to assist people with disabilities by providing equipment associated with enhancing daily living and independence or support of up to $2,500 to enjoy a holiday, at the discretion of the Trustees.

Application forms:

- Equipment - apply here
- Holiday - apply here

Limitations

Applications will be considered for:

- Young people with physical and multiple disabilities, aged from 16 to 30; and
- Who are on a government pension and/or who have difficulty purchasing suitable equipment; and
- Who have a high need for equipment that cannot be met through other supports such as the ILEP subsidy scheme; and
- Can provide a letter of support from a health professional

Assistance will not be provided for staffing costs, operational costs for equipment or for the purchase of motor vehicles.

Completed application forms are to be returned to:

Joseph Seridis Trust Fund, PO Box 2534, Adelaide SA 5001 or email to: enquiries@jstf.org.au

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Mail, Email
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G02995/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G02995/guidelines
Contact: Joseph Seridis Trust Fund
Email: enquires@jstf.org.au **Phone:** 0455 446 616 (Kerrie Kromer)

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ThriveKids Grant (WA)

Funding Provider
Variety - the Children's Charity

Location
WA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G12285

Primary Category
People with disabilities

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$10,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Variety ThriveKids grants provide practical equipment to help WA kids develop and thrive. This includes items that promote behavioural regulation, physical development, independence, wellbeing, social inclusion and more.

Overview

The application can be completed by a parent or carer, or approved third party (key therapist, social worker, support worker etc.) if they have consent of the parent or carer

Items you can apply for may include:

- Mobility equipment
- Medical equipment

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- Sensory equipment

Note: Variety programs are being updated and will reopen early next year.

Limitations

Eligibility

To be eligible for this grant you are required to meet the following criteria:

- Child is residing in WA.
- Child is aged 0-17 (must be under 18 at time of submission).
- Child has a disability or sickness (long-term health condition).
- The family household income is below the guide.
- The equipment is not available via government funding or alternative sources

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G12285/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G12285/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G12285/apply
Email: kidssupport@varietywa.org.au

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Variety Freya Fund

Funding Provider
Variety - the Children's Charity

Location
TAS

Funding Type
Cash Grant G11507

Primary Category
People with disabilities

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
Amount: $1,000 to $1,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Variety Freya Fund is the legacy of Freya Williamson. The Williamson family, who loved and cared for Freya for 21 years have been inspired by their own lived experiences, to provide assistance for families who have children with severe disabilities.

Overview

Variety Freya Fund provides a relief payment of up to $1,000 directly to Tasmanian families who care for a child with: additional needs or a severe disability; bereavement support following the loss of their child; serious, acute, or chronic illness or additional physical and emotional needs.

At Variety Tasmania’s discretion, the amount may be increased in exceptional circumstances, or a family of a deserving child/ren, with a combined household annual income of less than $60,000.

The Fund is designed to be as flexible as possible to help relieve individual families at a time of need or financial distress and when experiencing additional emotional and physical challenges.

Eligibility for the Variety Freya Fund is carefully thought-out, particularly respecting and upholding the dignity of those families. Recipients should be nominated by a GP, therapist, specialist, teacher, caseworker, or allied health professional who has a direct and intimate knowledge of the family’s situation, and we believe they are in the best position to nominate.

Calling a family, at a time of need to let them know they have been nominated and will receive $1,000 from the Variety Freya Fund, is the best gift anyone can offer.

Limitations

Eligibility and nomination

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- Variety Freya Fund benefits families and carers of children, under 18 years old, with severe disabilities, serious, acute, or chronic illness or additional physical and emotional needs.
- The family **cannot** apply directly for Variety Freya Fund themselves.
- Nominations can be made by Health Professionals, Allied Health Professionals, or other professionals who are aware of the family's circumstances (such as teachers, support workers, case workers).
- The nominated family must reside in Tasmania.
- Variety Tasmania has the right to contact the nominated families as part of the grant assessment process to determine eligibility.
- If needed, Variety Tasmania has the right to contact the nominator for additional details.
- Applications are open all year round.
- This is a cash relief payment and can only be made directly to the nominated family.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G11507/info

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G11507/apply
Email: info@varietytas.org.au **Phone:** (03) 6248 4888

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Victorian Aids and Equipment Program

Funding Provider
Department of Health (VIC)

Location
VIC

Funding Type
Cash Grant G03183

Primary Category
People with disabilities

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The VA&EP provides eligible people with subsidised assistive technology to enhance independence in their home, facilitate community participation and support families and carers in their role.

Overview

The State-wide Equipment Program (SWEP), a business unit of Grampians Health, is funded to administer the:

- Aids and Equipment Program
- Continence Aids Program
- Domiciliary Oxygen Program
- Supported Accommodation Equipment Assistance Scheme
- Vehicle Modification Subsidy Scheme (VMSS)
- Lymphoedema Compression Garment Program (LCGP)
- Laryngectomy Program
- Preventative Maintenance Program.

Telephone SWEP on 1300 747 937.

Yooralla is funded to administer the Electronic Communication Devices Scheme. Telephone the Electronic Communications Devices Scheme on 1300 885 886.

MND Victoria receives a contribution towards the cost of its equipment library for people who have motor neurone disease. Telephone MND Vic on 1800 806 632

Freedom Solutions (formerly Solve-TAD) is funded to design and manufacture specialised, customised equipment for eligible people. Telephone Freedom Solutions on 1300 663 243.

Expression Australia (formerly Vicdeaf) is funded to administer the Smoke Alarm Scheme. Telephone Expression Australia on TTY: (03) 9473 1199 or Ph: (03) 9473 1111.

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Vision Australia Foundation is funded to administer the Low Cost Vision Aids Scheme. Telephone Vision Australia on 1300 84 74 66.

You will need to arrange for an assessment from an Assistive Technology prescriber, usually an allied health or health professional, to determine the most appropriate and cost effective aid or piece of equipment for you.

A general application and eligibility form for aids and equipment will need to be submitted along with a copy of the prescribing therapists' assessment report.

Limitations

To be eligible for the VA&EP, applicants must meet the following criteria:

- be a permanent resident of Victoria; or
- be a refugee or an asylum seeker; and
- require assistive technology on a permanent or long-term basis for a health or ageing-related need. People with a disability who do not meet National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) eligibility due to age, residency status or functional impairment level can also apply to the VA&EP
- all additional program criteria, where applicable.

Note: Information on additional eligibility criteria is available in the ‘Availability and supply’ section and on the funded service providers’ websites.

The following also applies:

- Department of Veterans’ Affairs (DVA) Gold Card holders who do not have a DVA ‘approved disability’ can apply for VA&EP subsidies for a mobility scooter, a powered wheelchair and vehicle modification.
- Commonwealth Government residential aged care residents can only apply for an electronic communication device via the ECDS.
- Commonwealth Government levels 1 and 2 Home Care Package recipients can apply for all VA&EP assistive technology items except domiciliary oxygen. This should be funded through their Home Care Package.
- Commonwealth Government levels 3 and 4 Home Care Package recipients can only apply to SWEP for VA&EP subsidies for a mobility scooter, a powered wheelchair, home modifications and to the ECDS for electronic communication devices.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Email, Phone
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G03183/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G03183/guidelines
Email: disabilityinterface@health.vic.gov.au **Phone:** 1300 747 937

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Wheelchair Accessible Taxi Grant Scheme

Funding Provider
Queensland Rural and Industry Development Authority (QRIDA)

Location
QLD

Funding Type
Cash Grant G13252

Primary Category
People with disabilities

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$55,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Wheelchair Accessible Taxi Grant Scheme provides assistance of up to $55,000, with a 50 per cent co-contribution from applicants to offset the cost of purchasing and modifying a new wheelchair accessible taxi.

Overview

Assistance available under the Scheme is 50 per cent of the cost of acquiring a new wheelchair accessible taxi to a maximum amount of $55,000.

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Grants are available to assist with the following costs:

- purchase of a new wheelchair accessible taxi;
- purchase and installation of eligible modifications, including the reconfiguration of seating for that vehicle. All eligible modifications need to be authorised by an Approved Person Engineer and a certificate of modification is to be provided.

Only one grant is available for a holder or lessee of a taxi service licence.

Limitations

To apply for assistance, you must be:

- the holder or lessee of a taxi service licence;
- registered for GST; and
- applying to replace or introduce a vehicle which meets the requirements under one of the following classes with a new wheelchair accessible taxi:
    - Class 1 - a wheelchair accessible taxi which is at least 8 years of age;
    - Class 2 - a wheelchair accessible taxi which:
        - is at least 6 years of age;
        - has an odometer that shows the taxi has been driven at least 800,000km; and
        - a qualified mechanic, panel beater or other relevant tradesperson has advised the taxi requires repairs that would cost an estimated $10,000 (excluding GST) or more to continue its roadworthiness.
    - Class 3 - a wheelchair accessible taxi of any age, which has been written-off by an accredited insurance adviser.
    - Class 4 - a conventional taxi stated in the taxi service licence for an eligible taxi service area and the holder or lessee has asked, or intended to ask the Department of Transport and Main Roads, to:
        - change the vehicle stated in the licence to be a new wheelchair accessible taxi acquired by the holder or lessee; and
        - include a wheelchair accessible taxi condition for the licence

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Mail, Email
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G13252/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G13252/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G13252/apply
Address: GPO Box 211 Brisbane 4001 QLD
Email: wats@qrida.qld.gov.au **Phone:** 1800 623 946

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ASA Developmental Leadership Program

Funding Providers
Australian Society of Authors (ASA)
Arts Tasmania

Location
TAS

Funding Type
Scholarship S05761

Primary Category
Professional development

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **6 Feb 2026 5pm**

Purpose

Tasmanian Writers and Illustrators Mentorship program has been developed to nurture literary talent in Tasmania and to link Tasmanian creators to professional development opportunities and national publishing networks.

Overview

A panel of experts will assess all submissions and award the following free mentorship packages.

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Ten writers will receive:

- A 20-hour mentorship with an ASA mentor
- One free ticket to the ASAs Pitch Perfect course
- One free ticket for a Virtual Literary Speed Dating pitch
- One year of free ASA membership

Three creators of illustrated works will receive:

- A five-hour mentorship with an ASA mentor on their manuscript or illustration project
- One free ticket to the ASAs Pitch Perfect cource
- One free ticket for a Virtual Literary Speed Dating pitch
- One year of free ASA membership

Two highly commended applicants of any genre will receive:

- A three-hour mentorship with an ASA mentor for the first ten pages of their manuscript or illustration project
- One free ticket to the ASAs Pitch Perfect or Pitch Perfect: Picture Books course
- One free ticket for a Virtual Literary Speed Dating or Picture Book Matchmaker pitch.

Entry is free for members of the ASA. Non-members may enter but must pay an administration fee of $70 (incl. GST) per entry.

Limitations

Eligibility

Entrants must be aged 18 or over when applying.

Entrants must be an Australian or New Zealand citizen or permanent resident

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05761/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05761/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05761/apply

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AgriFutures Learning and Development Opportunities and Resources

Funding Provider
AgriFutures Australia

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Scholarship S05764

Primary Category
Professional development

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
Total Pool: Unknown

Rounds
Closes **12 Jan 2026**

Purpose

AgriFutures Australia is committed to fostering innovation in agriculture by helping our levy payers and the broader agricultural workforce by investing in leadership, capacity, skills development programs, and Australian agricultural scholarships.

Overview

You can apply for one or more programs via a single application form. AgriFutures-sponsored positions are available in the following programs:

- ARLF TRAIL Emerging Leaders Program
- ARLF Agribusiness Leadership Program

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- Marcus Oldham Rural Leadership Program
- AICD Company Directors Course
- AICD Foundations of Directorship

Applications for the above programs are now open and close on Monday 12 January 2026.

Limitations

Please note that applications are open to the following groups, with only certain opportunities available to each group:

- Individuals working in or involved with an AgriFutures Levied Industry **(eligible to apply for all available opportunities).**
- Individuals working in or involved with an AgriFutures Emerging Industry **(eligible to apply for all available opportunities).**
- Agrifood Innovation Professionals **(eligible to apply for either the AICD Foundations of Directorship or Company Directors Course)**
- Alumni of the AgriFutures Rural Women's Award **(eligible to apply for either the AICD Foundations of Directorship or Company Directors Course)**

See individual programs for more detailed eligibility requirements.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05764/info

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05764/apply
Contact: Amelia Cooper
Email: amelia.cooper@agrifutures.com.au

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Apprentice and Trainee Training Fund - 2025

Funding Providers
Skills Tasmania
Department of State Growth (TAS)

Location
TAS

Funding Type
Cash Grant G15881

Primary Category
Professional development

Eligible to
Business

Funding
Total Pool: Unknown

Rounds
Closes **31 Dec 2025**
Closes **31 Dec 2026**

Purpose

The Tasmanian Government aim is to invest in training, assessment and learner support services that aligns with industry needs and gets more unemployed and underemployed Tasmanians into meaningful training connected to jobs.

Overview

The Apprentice and Trainee Training Fund provides grants to eligible registered training organisations to subsidise the cost of delivering training and assessment and associated learner support services to Tasmanian apprentices and trainees. The objective is to facilitate the attraction and completion of apprentices and trainees as a critical pathway to enabling job-ready learners, aligned to the needs of industry, employers and learners.

The Fund is a rolling program that is released annually. Applications for each annual round close at the end of the applicable calendar year.

Limitations

To be eligible to apply applicants must meet each of the following eligibility criteria both at the time of applying, and for the duration of any subsequent funding agreement:

- be a Skills Tasmania endorsed registered training organisation

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- have the qualification(s) and/or unit(s) of competency included on their scope of registration for delivery in Tasmania
- have a current contract of public liability insurance for at least $20 million for each individual claim or series of claims arising out of a single occurrence, and
- have appropriate provisions in place in regard to the Child and Youth Safe Organisations Framework.

Applicants must ensure that all eligibility requirements are met prior to submitting the application and for the duration of any subsequent funding agreement. If the eligibility criteria are not met, the application will be deemed ineligible and will not be assessed or considered for grant funding.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G15881/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G15881/guidelines

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G15881/apply
Email: attf@skills.tas.gov.au **Phone:** 03 6165 6027

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Autism Works in the Community Grants Program

Funding Providers
Office for Autism (SA)
Department of the Premier and Cabinet (SA)

Location
SA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19700

Primary Category
Professional development

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Business

Funding
Amount: $5,000 to $30,000

Rounds
Closes **9 Jan 2026 5 pm**

Purpose

This Grants Program aims to support organisations to provide contemporary facilities, equipment and opportunities to meet the needs of Autistic people and promote genuine autism inclusion in South Australia.

Overview

Autism Works in the Community Grants of between $5,000 and $30,000 (ex GST) are available for projects or initiatives to be delivered by 30 June, 2027. Projects can commence when funding is approved, expected to be in the first quarter of 2026.

These grants are to:

- Improve opportunities in volunteering or employment for Autistic people
- Improve the level of knowledge and understanding of autism including Autistic strengths and support needs
- Increase the ability of venues and events to support improved inclusion of Autistic people
- Improve connection and belonging for Autistic people.

For this funding round, priority will be given to projects that focus on the following areas:

- Improve opportunities in employment or volunteering for Autistic people
- Improve the level of knowledge and understanding of autism including Autistic strengths and support need.

Limitations

To be eligible for funding, organisations must be:

- Non-government; and incorporated under the Associations Incorporation Act 1985; or the Corporations (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander) Act 2006,
- An Australian Public or Private Limited Liability Company under the Corporations Act 2001; or
- A Partnership registered under the Partnership Act 1891; or
- Registered with the Australian Charities and Not-for-Profit Commission with a comparable legal status; or

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- An Aboriginal Community-Controlled Organisation.

Organisations must additionally:

- Have a registered Australian Business Number (ABN) or Australian Company Number (ACN);
- Have an Australian bank account in the name of the legal entity;
- Agree to the terms and conditions of the grant agreement;
- The applicant and project must be located within South Australia;
- Demonstrate commitment to supporting inclusion of Autistic people and autism communities.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19700/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19700/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19700/apply
Email: officeforautism@sa.gov.au **Phone:** 08 7133 7900

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Community languages schools - Specific project grant

Funding Provider
Department of Education (NSW)

Location
NSW

Funding Type
Cash Grant G12110

Primary Category
Professional development

Eligible to
School

Funding
$10,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **31 May 2026**

Last Round
Closed **31 May 2025**

Purpose

The Specific project grant provides up to $10,000 to help with professional development, such as producing new teaching materials or for teacher training activities.

Overview

Your project must either produce materials that can be used in your community language school, or offer training to your teachers. It must benefit the wider language community or be easily adapted or applied across different language groups.

The Department welcome proposals that consider making the resources available online. In this case, your project team must include someone with web knowledge and experience.

Successful applications will show:

- evidence of community consultation, research and demonstrable need for the project
- the benefit of the project to communities that use the same language and/or language teaching practice generally
- educational merit in the objectives, teaching philosophy, materials and pedagogical approaches of the project
- effective project planning including a budget and timeline
- the capacity and skills of project team members to achieve project outcomes.

You must apply online by 31 May each year.

Limitations

Who can apply?

- You may receive a specific project grant if your community language school is already receiving, or has currently applied for, the Per capita grant through the NSW Community Languages Schools Program.
- You are encouraged to partner with other organisations operating community languages schools to develop a proposal and also to seek other funding options. One application per organisation is permitted each year for the specific project grant.

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Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G12110/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G12110/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G12110/apply
Email: commlang@det.nsw.edu.au

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Cultural Diversity Diploma Scholarship Round

Funding Provider
Institute of Community Directors Australia (ICDA)

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Scholarship S05226

Primary Category
Professional development

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$1,000

Rounds
Closes **31 Dec 2025**

Last Round
Closed **31 Dec 2024**

Purpose

The Cultural Diversity round of the ICDA diversity scholarships is for anyone from a culturally and/or linguistically diverse background who wants a leg-up to represent and serve their community.

Overview

While ICDA has offered scholarships in the past for Australia's premier diploma-level governance qualification, rounds this year will offer opportunities to more individuals across more sectors, providing a leg-up to the most under-represented groups in the country.

Scholarship funding

The full cost of the Diploma of Governance is $4,500, comprising enrolment, assessment and administration. Partial scholarship recipients are liable for the remainder ($3,500).

$1000 scholarships allow prospective students to apply immediately with decisions made on eligibility within 10 business days of submission.

Limitations

Applicants must demonstrate:

- their experience sitting on a board or working closely with a board of directors
- their passion for improving cultural diversity in the community sector
- the main opportunities and challenges for improving cultural diversity in the community sector
- their reasons for wanting to improve their governance skills

Please note previous scholarship recipients are ineligible to apply.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05226/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05226/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05226/apply
Email: diploma@communitydirectors.com.au **Phone:** (03) 9320 6800

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Defence Industry Development Grants Program - Skilling Stream

Funding Provider
Department of Defence

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G16237

Primary Category
Professional development

Eligible to
Business

Funding
Amount: $5,000 to $250,000
Total Pool: $300,000 (approx)

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Skilling stream helps Australian defence industry to upskill and train in priority trade, technical and professional skillsets to develop a workforce with the right mix of qualified and experienced personnel to meet Defence requirements.

Overview

The objective of the program is to build the industrial base Australia needs to achieve Defence outcomes in areas of strategic priority.

The Defence Industry Development Grants Program funds four distinct grant opportunity streams tailored to address the program outcomes:

1. Sovereign Industrial Priorities
2. **Skilling**
3. Exports
4. Security.

Please refer to Funding Centre for information regarding the other streams of funding under the Defence Industry Development Grants Program.

Limitations

Eligibility

You can apply if you:

- have an Australian business number (ABN)
- are a SME with less than 200 employees or, for Skilling stream only, a Defence Industry Association (DIA)
- are registered for GST
- have an account with an Australian financial institution
- are non-income tax exempt

and are one of the following entities:

- an entity incorporated in Australia
- a company limited by guarantee
- an incorporated trustee on behalf of a trust.

You can't apply if you are:

- an organisation, or your project partner is an organisation, included on the National Redress Scheme's list of Institutions that have not joined or signified their intent to join the Scheme
- an employer of 100 or more employees that has not complied with the Workplace Gender Equality Act (2012)
- an individual
- a partnership
- an overseas organisation
- an unincorporated association
- an organisation not included in section 4.1 of the grant opportunity guidelines
- a trust (however, an incorporated trustee may apply on behalf of a trust)
- a Commonwealth, state, territory or local government body (including government business enterprises).

Partner with other organisations

You can partner with one or more other organisations that also meet the eligibility criteria. But you must decide who the lead organisation is.

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The lead organisation must fill out the application form.

If we give your group the grant, the lead organisation:

- signs the grant agreement
- is responsible for making sure your group follows the rules in the grant agreement.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G16237/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G16237/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G16237/apply
Email: enquiries@industry.gov.au **Phone:** 13 28 46

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Disability Diploma of Governance Scholarship Round

Funding Provider
Institute of Community Directors Australia (ICDA)

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Scholarship S05299

Primary Category
Professional development

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$1,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **31 Dec 2025**

Last Round
Closed **31 Dec 2024**

Purpose

The Disability round of the ICDA diversity scholarships has been created to equip those living with a disability with the knowledge and accreditation required to join a community board.

Overview

Improving access to the boardroom for those living with a disability is about more than providing accessible meeting spaces, information and support. The *Disability* round of the *ICDA diversity scholarships* has been created to equip those living with a disability with the knowledge and accreditation required to join a community board.

While ICDA has offered scholarships in the past for Australia's premier diploma-level governance qualification, rounds this year will offer opportunities to more individuals across more sectors, providing a leg-up to the most under-represented groups in the country.

Scholarship funding

The full cost of the Diploma of Governance is $4,500, comprising enrolment, assessment and administration. Partial scholarship recipients are liable for the remainder ($3,500).

The $1000 partial scholarships have been fast tracked to allow students to apply immediately for any of the targeted sub-sectors (this listing is about the faith based sub-sector), with decisions to be made on eligibility within 10 days of submission.

Limitations

Applicants must demonstrate:

- their passion for improving their community
- the main opportunities and challenges for improving diversity in the community sector
- their reasons for wanting to improve their governance skills

Applicants must also agree to the terms and conditions

Please note previous scholarship recipients are ineligible to apply.

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Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05299/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05299/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05299/apply
Email: diploma@communitydirectors.com.au **Phone:** (03) 9320 6800

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E.J. Connellan Award

Funding Provider
Connellan Airways Trust

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Award A00839

Primary Category
Professional development

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **31 Jan 2026**

Purpose

The E.J Connellan Award aims to give the opportunity to people living in Outback Australia to undertake further studies or research of a kind not otherwise readily available to them.

Overview

Two awards may be granted:

1. Junior 16 – 25 years of age
2. Senior 26 years of age and over

Awards will usually be made to people who have the potential to make a major contribution in the area of their endeavour.

Applications are considered once a year, opening on December 1 and closing on January 31 each year. The Trust's decision will be notified to applicants by March 31 each year.

Applications are to be submitted via the Connellan Airways Trust website or via email to info@connellanaiwaystrust.org.au. The Trust will always acknowledge receipt of applications.

Limitations

Are you eligible?

- Grants are available to people who reside in Outback Australia, ie People living and working on stations or in small isolated, rural and remote towns.
- Australian Citizens and permanent residents of Australia.
- Benefit (through skills or services) to broader Outback Australia is highly regarded.
- There are no further pre-requisites for applicants. Merit is the primary criterion, based on either past or demonstrated ability for future achievement in any endeavour acceptable to the Connellan Airways Trust.

Please confirm your residential address fits the location criteria by referring to the Trust map of remoteness below. Locations categorised as very remote or remote are eligible. Outer regional locations may be considered in some circumstances, relative to access of services.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Email, Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/A00839/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/A00839/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/A00839/apply
Email: info@connellanairwaystrust.org.au **Phone:** 1800 733 810

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Ferris Family Fellowships

Funding Providers
The Harvard Club of Australia (HCA)
Australian Scholarships Foundation

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Scholarship S05749

Primary Category
Professional development

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- DGR Required

Funding
$20,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **1 Feb 2026**

Purpose

Supports not-for-profit leaders with an opportunity to study at Harvard Business School in the United States.

Overview

The Harvard Club of Australia Ferris Family Fellowships help fulfil the increasing demand for managerial skills and strategic decision-making within the not-for-profit sector. The course will assist participants to examine their missions, develop new strategies and improve the effectiveness of their organisations.

About the course

Today's non-profit organisations are faced with shifting demands for services, resource constraints, and diverse operational challenges. They must also learn to navigate the advent of new technology and new sources of funding. To fulfill their missions, non-profit leaders must step up their game and create organizations that can thrive in the midst of change. Exploring crucial concepts and skills for non-profit leadership, this program will prepare you to strengthen management and accountability while leading the evolution needed to create an effective, high-performing organization.

This program delivers the strategic perspectives, practical frameworks, and leadership skills you need to drive high performance across the organization. You will leave prepared to take decisive action and create a more responsive, successful, and sustainable non-profit organisation.

What you will learn

Through a rich learning experience that includes faculty presentations, case studies on non-profit organisations, group exercises, and structured and informal group discussions, you will explore how today's non-profit leaders are tackling a broad range of challenges. As you enhance core skills crucial to leading non-profit organisations, you will prepare to implement new strategies and drive change across your organisation.

There are two Non-Profit Fellowships available for 2026. The award of $A20,000 each covers the course fees, accommodation, meals and travel to/from Boston. HCA also encourage Fellows to visit kindred organisations while in North America.

Limitations

Applicants for the 2026 Fellowships must:

- Be an Australian citizen or Australian permanent resident
- Be the full-time head of their organisation (General Manager, Chief Executive or Executive Director)
- Have been in that organisation in that role or directly reporting to it for at least 12 months
- Be committed to full-time attendance at the 2025 SPNM course, to live on campus and to arrive no later than 25 July 2026 (course dates are 26July - 31 July 2026)
- Have not previously attended this or any similar course
- Commit to attend the Harvard Club's Awards event to be held in Sydney in May 2026 at noon.

The applicant must lead a not-for-profit organisation that:

- Has at least 5 full-time employees and an operating budget greater than A$1.5 million
- Directly serves the Australian community and is not principally a fundraising, advocacy or coordinating entity
- Has a functioning Board of Directors; is audited and produces an Annual Report
- Meets the Australian definition of a Nonprofit, with Deductible Gift Recipient (DGR) Item 1 status

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Selection of Fellows will be based on the same basis as Harvard uses to select course participants. Particular emphasis will be placed on:

- The specific challenge/opportunity the applicant wishes to address at the SPNM course
- The applicant's overall goals and vision in attending the course
- The organisation's and the applicant's ability to have impact in the community
- The applicant's ability to improve nonprofit leadership skills within Australia

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05749/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05749/apply
Email: admin@harvardclub.org.au

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First Nations Affairs Diploma of Governance Scholarship Round

Funding Provider
Institute of Community Directors Australia (ICDA)

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Scholarship S05167

Primary Category
Professional development

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$1,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **31 Dec 2025**

Last Round
Closed **31 Dec 2024**

Purpose

The First Nations Affairs round of the ICDA diversity scholarships supports Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people seeking to gain skills, knowledge and a qualification in governance to join a board, or move into a position of leadership.

Overview

First Nations Australians continue to be underrepresented on boards throughout Australia. Our country is worse off when we don't engage those who know it best. The *First Nations Affairs* round of the *ICDA diversity scholarships* supports Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people seeking to gain skills, knowledge and a qualification in governance to join a board, or move into a position of leadership. This round also supports those who works or volunteers with First Nations organisations.

Scholarship funding
The full cost of the Diploma of Governance is $4,500, comprising enrolment, assessment and administration. Partial scholarship recipients are liable for the remainder ($3,500).

The $1000 partial scholarships have been fast tracked to allow students to apply immediately for any of the targeted sub-sectors (this listing is about the Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander sub-sector), with decisions to be made on eligibility within 10 days of submission.

Limitations

Applicants must demonstrate:

1. their experience sitting on a board or working closely with a board of directors
2. their passion for increasing Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander leadership in the sector
3. main opportunities and challenges for increasing Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander leadership in the sector
4. their reasons for wanting to improve their governance skills

Applicants must also agree to the terms and conditions

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05167/info

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Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05167/guidelines
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Email: diploma@communitydirectors.com.au **Phone:** (03) 9320 6800

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General Practitioners (GP) grant program

Funding Provider
Department of Health (VIC)

Location
VIC

Funding Type
Cash Grant G16113

Primary Category
Professional development

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$40,000
Total Pool: $32,000,000

Rounds
Closes **31 Dec 2025**

Purpose

Supporting doctors to specialise in General Practice is a proactive step to strengthen the primary care sector and improve health outcomes for Victorians.

Overview

The Victorian Government has committed $32 million over two years to provide financial incentives to doctors to become GPs. Eight hundred grants of $40,000 are available (400 grants in 2024 and 400 grants in 2025).

The GP grant program aims to:

- increase the number of GP trainee enrolments in 2024 and 2025
- provide a top-up payment for first year trainees of $30,000
- provide $10,000 to support the costs of exams to be undertaken during GP training.

The grants will be awarded to eligible doctors who:

- have started a GP training program in Victoria in 2024 and 2025, as well as doctors that commenced GP training in Victoria in 2023 who applied, enrolled and were accepted on or after 27 November 2022.

The grants comprise a maximum of $40,000 and will be delivered in three payments:

- A first instalment payment of $10,000 made at training commencement in an approved training placement.
- A second instalment payment of $20,000 made, subject to the doctor remaining enrolled in a GP training program after 12 months.
- A third instalment payment of $10,000 made, subject to the doctor remaining enrolled in a GP training program after 24 months. This payment is intended to assist with expenses associated with examination costs.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G16113/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G16113/guidelines
Email: gpgrantsprogram@health.vic.gov.au

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Governance for Social Impact grant

Funding Provider
Tasmanian Community Fund

Location
TAS

Funding Type
In-kind Contribution G19734

Primary Category
Professional development

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **21 Aug 2026**

Purpose

This executive education program will be delivered in a way that develops participants in an engaging and participatory way that will challenge participants thinking and help them better understand and lean into the complexity of the social purpose landscape.

Overview

The TCF has provided a grant to the Centre of Social Impact through the University of New South Wales to provide Governance for Social Impact training in Tasmania in 2025, 2026 and 2027.

The content, presenters and activities included in the delivery of this program are highly experienced, in the community sector and program delivery, and deeply engaging.

The Governance for Social Impact training is delivered through some pre-reading, two consecutive face-to-face training days and short written response following the face-to-face training.

In 2026, training will be delivered in Launceston on 24 and 25 March 2026 and in Hobart on 9 and 10 November 2026. If you would like to participate in the Launceston training your application will need to be submitted by 21 January 2026.

Limitations

Participants must:

- be a not-for-profit Board member or senior executive reporting to a Board
- have a strong understanding of their community and the issues it faces be committed to supporting community outcomes in their community or in other areas across Tasmania
- be committed to developing their skills and to sharing the skills across their organisation
- be committed to participating fully in the program
- be committed to completing the pre-reading and attending all of the face-to-face training
- be willing and able to cover all transport costs and any required accommodation* associated with participating in the face-to-face sessions. The TCF will cover the cost of morning and afternoon tea and lunch during each face-to-face day.

The TCF may cover the cost of accommodation for people participating who live outside of the region of delivery. You will be asked to indicate your need for this in the application.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19734/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19734/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19734/apply
Email: admin@tascomfund.org **Phone:** 6270 5843

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HESTA Australian Nursing & Midwifery Awards

Funding Provider
HESTA

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Award A00819

Primary Category
Professional development

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **18 Jan 2026**

Purpose

The HESTA Australian Nursing & Midwifery Awards recognise nurses, midwives, nurse educators and researchers as well as personal care workers.

Overview

Award categories:

- **Outstanding Organisation**: This award recognises an organisation that has demonstrated a commitment to creating a better future for people working in nursing and/or midwifery.
- **Midwife of the Year:** This award recognises the outstanding performance of a midwife who delivers outstanding patient care and has delivered positive outcomes and performed above the expectations of their role.
- **Nurse of the Year:** This award recognises an exceptional nurse who delivers outstanding patient care and has delivered positive outcomes and performed above the expectations of their role.

The prize for finalists includes:

- 2 x tickets to attend the HESTA Australian Nursing & Midwifery Awards dinner to be held on the date listed in point 1 above,
- 1 x economy class airfare to the capital city where the awards dinner is held from the finalists' nearest capital city, and
- 1 night's accommodation in a standard twin share room at a hotel nominated by the HESTA Australian Nursing & Midwifery Awards organisers, close to the dinner venue.

Limitations

Who can apply?

Employers, patients, colleagues, nurses and midwives can nominate themselves or a special individual or team who has made a real difference to the lives of patients or to the quality of a service.

Everyone involved in every stage of the delivery of care can enter or be nominated.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/A00819/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/A00819/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/A00819/apply
Address: PO Box 615 CARLTON SOUTH 3053 VIC
Email: awards@hesta.com.au **Phone:** 1800 813 327

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Health and Mental Health Diploma of Governance Scholarship Round

Funding Provider
Institute of Community Directors Australia (ICDA)

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Scholarship S05240

Primary Category
Professional development

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$1,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **31 Dec 2025**

Last Round
Closed **31 Dec 2024**

Purpose

The *Health and Mental Health* round of the *ICDA diversity scholarships* is for those who work or volunteer for, or alongside, community health organisations and aims to provide the community health sector with the skills, knowledge and connections required to keep our communities healthy.

Overview

For communities to function at their best, they need to be healthy. Community health organisations play an integral role in ensuring that all in our communities can access health care. The *Health* round of the *ICDA diversity scholarships* is for those who work or volunteer for, or alongside, community health organisations and aims to provide the community health sector with the skills, knowledge and connections required to keep our communities healthy.

Not-for-profit leaders will be given the chance to win a part-scholarship to complete ICDA's acclaimed Diploma of Governance (BSB52318).

While ICDA has offered scholarships in the past for Australia's premier diploma-level governance qualification, rounds this year will offer opportunities to more individuals across more sectors, providing a leg-up to the most under-represented groups in the country.

Scholarship funding

The full cost of the Diploma of Governance is $4,500, comprising enrolment, assessment and administration. Partial scholarship recipients are liable for the remainder ($3,500).

The $1000 partial scholarships have been fast tracked to allow students to apply immediately for any of the targeted sub-sectors (this listing is about the Mental Health sub-sector), with decisions to be made on eligibility within 10 days of submission.

Limitations

Applicants must demonstrate:

1. their experience sitting on a board or working closely with a board of directors
2. their passion for strengthening community health centres;
3. the main opportunities and challenges for mental health support workers
4. their reasons for wanting to improve their governance skills.

Applicants must also agree to the terms and conditions

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05240/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05240/guidelines

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International Pitching Forums and Talent Labs

Funding Provider
Screen Australia

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19336

Primary Category
Professional development

Eligible to
Individual

Funding

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

International Pitching Forums and Talent Labs provides support to producers selected for competitive overseas pitching forums in order to enable them to secure finance, production and marketplace partners for Australian projects.

Overview

International Pitching Forums and Talent Labs provides support to:

- producers selected for competitive overseas pitching forums in order to enable them to secure finance, production and marketplace partners for Australian projects; or
- key above the line creatives invited to attend premium overseas talent labs to enable professional development and to build international industry networks.

Applicants can apply for an amount:

- up to $6,000 (or $12,000 for a team of two or more) for any eligible pitching forum or talent lab of up to 14 days duration.
- up to $10,000 (in total for both individuals and teams) for any eligible talent lab/ fellowship of more than 14 days and less than 12 months duration.
- up to $20,000 (in total for both individuals and teams) for any eligible talent lab/ fellowship of more than 12 months.

Applicants (both individuals and companies) may only receive one grant to attend eligible events in a 12-month period other than in exceptional circumstances.

Limitations

This program is open to companies and individuals (either alone or as part of a team as co-applicants).

To be eligible, an applicant company must:

- be an incorporated company carrying on business in Australia, with its central management and control in Australia;
- have an Australian Business Number (ABN); and
- be registered for the purposes of GST if required by law.

To be eligible, an individual applicant (or each individual co-applicant) must:

- be an Australian citizen or Australian permanent resident (holding a permanent visa); and
- have an Australian Business Number (ABN).

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19336/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19336/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19336/apply
Email: international@screenaustralia.gov.au

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Interpreter scholarships

Funding Provider
Department of Families, Fairness and Housing (DFFH) (VIC)

Location
VIC

Funding Type
Scholarship S05676

Primary Category
Professional development

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **6 Feb 2026**

Purpose

The Victorian Government is working to improve the supply, quality and use of language services in Victoria by offering scholarships to eligible students seeking to undertake three courses, commencing in 2026.

Overview

The Interpreter Scholarship Program works to improve the supply, quality and use of language services in Victoria by offering scholarships to eligible students seeking to undertake the following courses, commencing in 2026:

- Diploma of Interpreting - Closes 6 February 2026
- Advanced Diploma of Interpreting - Closes 6 February 2026
- Introduction to Interpreting Skill Set - Open and ongoing

Each year, the program includes a range of languages that have been identified as needing more certified interpreters. This year, scholarships are on offer to students seeking to undertake the courses in one of the following languages:

- **Advanced Diploma:** Greek, Italian, Korean, Punjabi, Russian, Sinhalese, Tamil, Urdu and Vietnamese
- **Diploma:** Assyrian Neo-Aramaic, Burmese, Khmer, Macedonian, Nepali, and Samoan
- **Skill Set:** Albanian, Amharic, Bangla, Bislama, Chaldean Neo-Aramaic, Chichewa, Chin languages, Dinka, Fiji Hindi, Gujarati, Hakka Chinese, Hmong, Kannada, Kayah (Karenni), Kinyarwanda, Kirundi, Kurdish Kurmanji, Lingala, Malay, Malayalam, Maltese, Mauritian Creole, Nuer, Oromo, Pashto, Rohingya, Somali, Swahili, Tigre, Tigrinya, Tok Pisin, Tongan and Ukrainian

You are required to apply for the scholarship for your chosen interpreting course via the RMIT University online portal.

Limitations

The RMIT certifications are suitable for bilingual people who are seeking to learn or develop professional interpreting techniques.

To be eligible for scholarships to support study in 2025 you must:

- live in Victoria
- speak one of the targeted languages
- be an Australian citizen, or have permanent residency (consideration will be given to applications from people seeking asylum)
- apply to the RMIT University course (Diploma of Interpreting, Advanced Diploma of Interpreting or Introduction to Interpreting Skill Set) for the targeted language
- remain enrolled and meet attendance requirements for each unit at RMIT University for the duration of the program
- complete the application and the documentation required for meeting the entry requirements for the eligible RMIT University course by the respective application closing dates.

The scholarship places are provided on a 'first come, first served' basis. Priority will be given to applicants that meet all listed eligibility requirements. Applications may close early once all available scholarships have been fully allocated.

Please note: We require a minimum number of participants for each language. In cases of low enrolment in the Diploma or the Advanced Diploma program, students will instead be offered the option to enrol in the Introduction to Interpreting Skill Set.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05676/info

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LGBTQIA+ Diploma of Governance Scholarship Round

Funding Provider
Institute of Community Directors Australia (ICDA)

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Scholarship S05159

Primary Category
Professional development

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$1,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **31 Dec 2025**

Last Round
Closed **31 Dec 2024**

Purpose

The LGBTQIA+ round of the ICDA diversity scholarships is aimed at providing leadership opportunities for LGBTQIA+ people.

Overview

Our sector is better equipped to improve society if the leadership positions in our organisations are held by a cross-section of those who live within our communities. The *LGBTQIA+* round of the *ICDA diversity scholarships* is aimed at providing leadership opportunities for LGBTQIA+ people.

While ICDA has offered scholarships in the past for Australia's premier diploma-level governance qualification, rounds this year will offer opportunities to more individuals across more sectors, providing a leg-up to the most under-represented groups in the country.

Scholarship funding

The full cost of the Diploma of Governance is $4,500, comprising enrolment, assessment and administration. Partial scholarship recipients are liable for the remainder ($3,500).

The $1000 partial scholarships have been fast tracked to allow students to apply immediately for any of the targeted sub-sectors (this listing is about the Advocacy sub-sector), with decisions to be made on eligibility within 10 days of submission.

Limitations

Applicants must demonstrate:

1. their experience sitting on a board or working closely with a board of directors
2. their passion for improving diversity in the community sector
3. the main opportunities and challenges for improving diversity in the community sector
4. their reasons for wanting to improve their governance skills

Applicants must also agree to the terms and conditions

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05159/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05159/guidelines

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Leaders and Change Makers Diploma of Governance Scholarship Round

Funding Provider
Institute of Community Directors Australia (ICDA)

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Scholarship S05242

Primary Category
Professional development

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$1,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **31 Dec 2025**

Last Round
Closed **31 Dec 2024**

Purpose

The Leaders and Change Makers round of the ICDA diversity scholarships is for those who work or volunteer with an organisation advocating for a change in our communities that will help shape a better future.

Overview

The community sector is full of fearless advocates and advocacy groups, but if we're serious about getting the message across, then our advocacy groups need the knowledge in the board room that will help them flourish.

While ICDA has offered scholarships in the past for Australia's premier diploma-level governance qualification, rounds this year will offer opportunities to more individuals across more sectors, providing a leg-up to the most under-represented groups in the country.

Scholarship funding

The full cost of the Diploma of Governance is $4,500, comprising enrolment, assessment and administration. Partial scholarship recipients are liable for the remainder ($3,500).

$1000 scholarships allow prospective students to apply immediately with decisions made on eligibility within 10 business days of submission.

Limitations

Applicants must demonstrate:

- their passion for improving their community
- the main opportunities and challenges for improving diversity in the community sector
- their reasons for wanting to improve their governance skills

Applicants must also agree to the terms and conditions

Please note that previous scholarship recipients are ineligible to apply.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05242/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05242/guidelines
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Lift Angels Grant Challenge

Funding Provider
Lift Women

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19846

Primary Category
Professional development

Eligible to
- Individual
- Business

Funding
$20,000 (approx)

Rounds
Closes **28 Feb 2026**

Purpose

Since 2022, Lift Angels has helped women across Australia and Asia launch ideas, raise capital, and scale globally. From first campaigns to million-dollar raises - they have been the launchpad for women-led innovation.

Overview

The Lift Angels grant is back with $20,000 in matched funding up for grabs for women founders ready to rise. Simply create and launch a Crowdfunding Project: your project is your application!

Lift Angels are empowering the next generation of founders to crowdfund, grow, and pitch for a $5,000 grant.

Winner's Package includes

- $5,000 matched funding
- 12 Month premium access
- Halo package
- Angels Alumni Community

How it works:

- Register your interest - Oct - Nov
- Apply - Dec - Feb
- Pitch & Training - March
- Winners Announced - April

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19846/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19846/apply
Email: enquiry@liftwomen.com

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Neurodiversity Diploma of Governance Scholarship Round

Funding Provider
Institute of Community Directors Australia (ICDA)

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Scholarship S05359

Primary Category
Professional development

Eligible to
- Individual

Funding
$1,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **31 Dec 2025**

Last Round
Closed **31 Dec 2024**

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Purpose

ICDA's Neurodiversity round aims to empower neurodivergent people with the knowledge, skills and qualifications in governance necessary to contribute to community organisations.

Overview

While ICDA has offered scholarships in the past for Australia's premier diploma-level governance qualification, rounds this year will offer opportunities to more individuals across more sectors, providing a leg-up to the most under-represented groups in the country.

There is great power in embracing diverse leadership that reflects the richness of our community. Organisations need to ensure they are representative of all voices to innovate the decision-making process and improve governance on the board.

Scholarship funding

The full cost of the Diploma of Governance is $4,500, comprising enrolment, assessment and administration. Partial scholarship recipients are liable for the remainder ($3,500).

The $1000 partial scholarships have been fast tracked to allow students to apply immediately for any of the targeted sub-sectors with decisions to be made on eligibility within 10 days of submission.

Limitations

Terms and Conditions

Applicants must demonstrate:

1. their experience sitting on a board or working closely with a board of directors
2. their passion for fostering greater representation of neurodivergent perspectives within the community sector
3. their reasons for wanting to improve their governance skills.

Applicants must also agree to the terms and conditions.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05359/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05359/guidelines

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Non-Profit Fellowship (NPF) Program

Funding Provider
Harvard Club of Victoria (HCV)

Location
VIC

Funding Type
Scholarship S05755

Primary Category
Professional development

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
Amount: Unknown to $18,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **9 Feb 2026**

Purpose

The Harvard Club of Victoria provides funding to up to 3 CEOs of non-profit organisations based in Victoria to attend the one-week Harvard Business School program Strategic Perspectives in Nonprofit Management ("SPNM") in Cambridge, Massachusetts, in July.

Overview

An HCV Non-Profit Fellowship covers both the SPNM program fee (which in turn covers tuition, books, case materials, accommodation and meals) and the cost of a return flight from Melbourne to the US. In addition, the Fellowship award

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includes funding for a short study tour, so that Fellowship recipients may visit, and develop connections with, relevant North American non-profits. The Fellowship award for 2025 will be A$18,000. The HCV Non-Profit Fellowship award is available to CEOs in service delivery organisations in the community service sector, with particular focus on:

- Alcohol and drug services
- Children, youth and families
- Disability
- Family violence
- Housing and homelessness
- Indigenous services
- Mental health
- Refugee resettlement

Limitations

Eligibility

To be eligible to apply for an HCV Non-Profit Fellowship, you must be the CEO (or equivalent) of a Victorian-based non-profit organisation operating within the community service sector. (annual revenue: A$3 million and above).

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Email
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05755/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05755/guidelines
Contact: Mandy Croker
Email: mandy@harvardclubofvictoria.org.au

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Funding Providers
Mt Burdett Rural and Regional Advancement Foundation
Leadership WA

Location
WA

Funding Type
Scholarship S05760

Primary Category
Professional development

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$8,640

Rounds
Closes **27 Jan 2026 (March Cohort)**
Closes **14 Apr 2026 (June Cohort)**

Purpose

The Mt Burdett Rural and Regional Advancement Foundation and the Leadership WA Foundation are proud to offer emerging and mid-career leaders in regional Western Australia the opportunity to further build their leadership capability, through the Mt Burdett Foundation Scholarships.

Overview

The Foundation’s vision is that by investing strategically in new initiatives and people, they create a vibrant, resilient community to ensure a healthy future for both the Esperance region and across rural and regional Western Australia.

The Mt Burdett Foundation Scholarships fund the full fees for a Program place. The scholarship's emphasis is on applicants clearly outlining their plans to contribute back to their community or sector on completion of the course.

Limitations

Eligibility

The Foundation's vision is that by investing strategically in new initiatives and people, we create a vibrant, resilient community to ensure a healthy future for both the Esperance region and across rural and regional Western Australia. If you are:

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- Living and working anywhere in regional Western Australia
- Emerging - mid level in your career
- Passionate about creating a positive impact and difference where you live
- Keen to build your leadership skills and put them into practice for your community

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05760/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05760/apply
Email: admin@leadershipwa.org.au

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Rural and Regional Diploma of Governance Scholarship Round

Funding Provider
Institute of Community Directors Australia (ICDA)

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Scholarship S05163

Primary Category
Professional development

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$1,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **31 Dec 2025**

Last Round
Closed **31 Dec 2024**

Purpose

As champions of diversity, the Institute of Community Directors Australia has long been focused on providing leadership opportunities to the most underrepresented sectors of the community.

Overview

The *Rural and regional* round has been created to provide access to important knowledge, qualifications and connections for those who live outside metropolitan areas. Those who live or work in rural and regional areas are eligible for this round of the *ICDA diversity scholarships*.

While ICDA has offered scholarships in the past for Australia's premier diploma-level governance qualification, rounds this year will offer opportunities to more individuals across more sectors, providing a leg-up to the most under-represented groups in the country.

Scholarship funding

The full cost of the Diploma of Governance is $4,500, comprising enrolment, assessment and administration. Partial scholarship recipients are liable for the remainder ($3,500).

Limitations

Applicants must demonstrate:

1. their experience sitting on a board or working closely with a board of directors
2. their involvement in a rural or regional community
3. their passion for community
4. the main challenges for their rural or regional community
5. their reasons for wanting to improve their governance skills

Applicants must also agree to the terms and conditions

Please note previous scholarship recipients are ineligible to apply.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05163/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05163/guidelines

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SA Young Entrepreneur Scheme (SAYES)

Funding Provider
South Australian Business Chamber

Location
SA

Funding Type
Scholarship S05402

Primary Category
Professional development

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The SAYES program can help turn your start-up business concept into a reality.

Overview

The South Australian Young Entrepreneurs Scheme — or SAYES for short — is a SA State Government-subsidised program conducted by the South Australian Business Chamber for existing and aspiring entrepreneurs.

Applications are now open for the September 2024 intake.

The scheme is designed to assist entrepreneurs in turning their business concept into a reality or help create a sustainable business model for a newly established business.

By participating in mentoring sessions and workshops, SAYES participants gain an understanding of business fundamentals. After the program, participants will leave armed with a comprehensive, fully-formed business plan, ready to successfully launch or establish their business.

The key to the success of this program is the ongoing support from experienced mentors and industry leaders who present comprehensive workshops, providing participants with all the essentials to launch and run a successful business.

The course includes a graduation ceremony upon completion and opportunities to attend networking events throughout the year.

If you'd like more information, please submit an enquiry form and a member of our staff will get back in touch with you.

The program runs for nine months and there are 12 individual, monthly workshops of 2.5 hours each. These are held at the South Australian Business Chamber's premises at Level 1, 136 Greenhill Road, Unley.

The workshops are as follows:

- Business Modelling
- Business Plan – Getting Started
- Law for Start-ups
- Sales and Customer Service
- Marketing and Brand
- Digital Marketing, Media and PR
- Finance – How to make sense of your Financials
- Human Resources for SME's
- Digital Strategy – Digital Engagement
- Business Plan Group Workshop
- Leadership and Entrepreneurial Thinking

Dedicated mentor

In addition to workshops, participants are allocated their own dedicated mentor who will nurture and guide participants throughout the program with monthly one-on-one mentoring sessions.

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Limitations

Eligibility criteria

To be eligible for the SAYES program, you must be:

- A resident of South Australia;
- Ready to kick start your business or business idea

There is a cost for the program of $1,800 + GST per person. Payment options are available.

Participants will be required to complete an online application and attend an interview. Expressions of interest for our next course intake are now open.

If you would like to speak to somebody about the program, please complete an online enquiry form and one of our staff will get back in touch with you.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05402/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05402/apply
Website: https://sabusinesschamber.com.au/services/entrepreneur-programs/south-australian-young-entrepreneurs-scheme-sayes#callback **Phone:** 08 8300 0000

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Scholarship Programs

Funding Provider
Chief Executive Women

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Scholarship S05649

Primary Category
Professional development

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

CEW scholarships are available to unlock opportunities to excel in your field and progress your career.

Overview

Each CEW scholarship offers women the chance to study and accelerate their careers at prestigious institutions such as Harvard Kennedy School, INSEAD, Oxford Sad Business School, Melbourne Business School, as well as offering places on CEW's 100 NPS evidence-based Leaders Program and Executive Leaders Program, and more.

In partnership with industry leaders, providing access to life changing programs, education, and global networks.

In July, CEW will open their second round of scholarships for 2025, including opportunities for:

- Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander (any industry)
- Women Leaders in Not-for-profit and For-purpose sectors
- Women Leaders in Sustainability (any industry)

Currently Open: Applications for all 2025 CEW Scholarships are now closed.

See more information on the CEW webpage here

Limitations

Check your Eligibility: Log in to the CEW Scholarships Platform, and select the scholarship(s) you are interested in. For each scholarship, you must confirm that you meet all the eligibility criteria to proceed with your application.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online

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Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05649/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05649/apply
Email: scholarships@cew.org.au

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Scholarships

Funding Provider
Australian Institute of Company Directors

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Scholarship S05734

Primary Category
Professional development

Eligible to
Not-for-Profit

Funding

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The AICD offers scholarship programs to give promising individuals the opportunity to gain new skills and become leaders for a better future.

Overview

AICD scholarship programs are designed to empower directors from diverse backgrounds by providing access to our world-class courses.

All scholarships are open to AICD members and non-members, but eligibility may vary depending on the scholarship program.

Opportunities may include:

- First Nations Director Scholarship Program
- Not-for-Profit Scholarship
- Board Governance PBC & Indigenous Community Organisation Scholarship Program

Open and close dates will vary.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05734/info
Email: scholarships@aicd.com.au

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Secretaries Diploma of Governance Scholarship Round

Funding Provider
Institute of Community Directors Australia (ICDA)

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Scholarship S05514

Primary Category
Professional development

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$1,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **31 Dec 2025**

Purpose

The *Secretaries round* of the ICDA *diversity scholarships* is designed for individuals who serve as, or aspire to become, board secretaries.

Overview

The backbone of effective governance lies in skilled secretaries who ensure transparency, compliance, and smooth board operations. Secretaries are the essential leaders who maintain organisational integrity through precise documentation, procedural excellence, and strategic support. This scholarship empowers secretaries to enhance their governance capabilities, strengthen board effectiveness, and contribute to their organisation's mission with increased confidence and expertise.

Scholarship funding

The full cost of the Diploma of Governance is $4,500, comprising enrolment, assessment and administration. Partial scholarship recipients are liable for the remainder ($3,500).

Please note: The Diploma is currently being offered online only.

Limitations

Applicants must demonstrate:

- their passion for improving their community
- the main opportunities and challenges for improving diversity in the community sector
- their reasons for wanting to improve their governance skills

Applicants must also agree to the terms and conditions. All information in this application remains confidential between ICDA and the applicant.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05514/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05514/guidelines

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05514/apply
Email: diploma@communitydirectors.com.au **Phone:** (03) 9320 6800

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Territory Workforce Program

Funding Providers
Department of Education and Training (NT)
Department of Industry, Tourism and Trade (NT)

Location
NT

Funding Type
Cash Grant G13268

Primary Category
Professional development

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- School
- Business

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

If you're a Northern Territory (NT) business, you can apply for funding for initiatives that support workforce development and training.

Overview

The program has 3 streams:

- **Workforce development** – aimed to increase commencement and completion of apprenticeships, pre-apprenticeships and higher apprenticeships.
- **Apprenticeships and traineeships** – aimed to increase workforce participation through workforce development initiatives leading to employment.
- **Industry workforce strategies** – aimed to increase collaborative and innovative workforce development strategies to meet sector demands, improve productivity and reduce skilling gaps.

Funding is available for pre-apprenticeship training programs, on the job training combined with formal study to gain recognised qualifications and other related business and industry training.

Limitations

Eligibility

Applicants must:

- have a significant permanent presence in the NT
- employ NT residents
- be solvent.

Applicants must also demonstrate:

- 70% employment outcomes for workforce development projects
- innovative approaches to workforce development
- inclusion of nationally recognised training components
- evidence that the proposal is project ready
- evidence of market testing and readiness
- project viability, risk management and ability to manage and deliver.

Registered training organisations and schools can partner with a lead organisation.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Email
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G13268/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G13268/guidelines
Email: trainingoperations@nt.gov.au

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University of Tasmania Scholarships

Funding Provider
University of Tasmania

Location
TAS

Funding Type
Scholarship S05581

Primary Category
Professional development

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

University of Tasmania offers many unique scholarship opportunities for students from all backgrounds.

Overview

Whether you're looking for financial support or relocation assistance, experiencing educational disadvantage or seeking recognition of academic or sporting achievement, University of Tasmania has a scholarship to suit your needs. Browse all scholarship opportunities on the University of Tasmania website.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05581/info
Email: Tas.Scholarships@utas.edu.au **Phone:** 03 6226 2999

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Women's Diploma of Governance Scholarship Round

Funding Provider
Institute of Community Directors Australia (ICDA)

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Scholarship S05513

Primary Category
Professional development

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$1,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **31 Dec 2025**

Purpose

The *Women* round of the ICDA diversity scholarships is for those who identify as women. This round was created to equip women with the skills and knowledge required to get on a board, and move up to a leadership position.

Overview

While the community sector fares much better than the corporate sector when it comes to gender diversity on boards, there is still a long way to go before we reach parity.

We need more women on boards, and more women in leadership positions. The *Women* round of the *ICDA diversity scholarships* is for those who identify as women. This round was created to equip women with the skills and knowledge required to get on a board and move up to a leadership position.

Scholarship funding

The full cost of the Diploma of Governance is $4,500, comprising enrolment, assessment and administration. Partial scholarship recipients are liable for the remainder ($3,500).

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Please note: The Diploma is currently being offered online only.

Limitations

Applicants must demonstrate:

1. their experience sitting on a board or working closely with a board of directors
2. their passion for community;
3. the main opportunities and challenges for women in the social sector
4. their reasons for wanting to improve their governance skills

Applicants must also agree to the terms and conditions

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05513/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05513/guidelines

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05513/apply
Email: diploma@communitydirectors.com.au **Phone:** (03) 9320 6800

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Community Safety Investment Grant Program - Stream 1

Funding Provider
Department of Communities and Justice (NSW)

Location
NSW

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19572

Primary Category
Public safety

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Business

Funding
Amount: $10,000 to $40,000

Rounds
Closes **14 Jan 2026 4.00 pm**

Purpose

The Community Safety Investment Fund aims to provide community organisations opportunities to design and deliver locally focused, community led solutions to prevent or respond to youth offending, strengthen families and improve community safety.

Overview

Programs and initiatives will contribute to the achievement of objectives:

- Deliver holistic responses that address the underlying needs and risks that contribute to young people's involvement with the justice system and improve their outcomes.
- Deliver culturally responsive initiatives that build long-term resilience and protective factors, increase connection to culture and improving social and emotional wellbeing for young people and families.
- Deliver programs and initiatives that empower young people and their families to achieve change in the young person's behaviour and safety.
- Support young people and families to re-engage with education, training, or employment.
- Increase community safety through tailored initiatives for high-risk youth.
- Whole of community initiatives that engage young people in pro-social activities.

They are particularly interested in grant applications that align with and help achieve the NSW Government's **Closing the Gap priorities**, including:

Target 11: to reduce the overrepresentation of Aboriginal young people in the criminal justice system, so that by 2031, the rate of Aboriginal young people (10-17 years) in detention is reduced by 30 per cent. This may include (but is not limited to) programs and initiatives that:

- prevent and respond to youth offending
- divert young people from court which create positive pathways with communities

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- support young people transitioning from custody back to their community and provide support and opportunities to help them thrive to reduce reoffending.

A holistic approach means to provide support that looks at the whole person, not just their mental health needs. The support should also consider their physical, emotional, social and spiritual wellbeing. This approach is aligned with the concept of Aboriginal health - which is holistic in that it includes physical, social, emotional and cultural well-being of individuals and the whole community.

Limitations

All applicants are required to meet the following eligibility criteria:

- be able to enter into a grant funding agreement with Department of Communities and Justice
- have an Australian bank account
- have an Australian Business Number (ABN)
- have appropriate insurance; this must include but is not limited to a minimum of $10 million Public Liability Insurance
- address the NSW National Redress Scheme sanctions (included in this template)
- be a registered Australian business, or a not-for-profit Aboriginal Community Controlled Organisation (ACCO), or other incorporated organisation.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19572/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19572/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19572/apply
Email: YJGrantsFunding@dcj.nsw.gov.au

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Community Safety Investment Grant Program - Stream 2

Funding Provider
Department of Communities and Justice (NSW)

Location
NSW

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19571

Primary Category
Public safety

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Business

Funding
Amount: $100,000 to $300,000

Rounds
Closes **19 Jan 2026 4.00 pm**

Purpose

The Community Safety Investment Fund aims to provide community organisations opportunities to design and deliver locally focused, community led solutions to prevent or respond to youth offending, strengthen families and improve community safety.

Overview

Programs and initiatives will contribute to the achievement of objectives:

- Deliver holistic responses that address the underlying needs and risks that contribute to young people's involvement with the justice system and improve their outcomes.
- Deliver culturally responsive initiatives that build long-term resilience and protective factors, increase connection to culture and improving social and emotional wellbeing for young people and families.
- Deliver programs and initiatives that empower young people and their families to achieve change in the young person's behaviour and safety.
- Support young people and families to re-engage with education, training, or employment.
- Increase community safety through tailored initiatives for high-risk youth.
- Whole of community initiatives that engage young people in pro-social activities.

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They are particularly interested in grant applications that align with and help achieve the NSW Government's **Closing the Gap priorities**, including:

Target 11: to reduce the overrepresentation of Aboriginal young people in the criminal justice system, so that by 2031, the rate of Aboriginal young people (10-17 years) in detention is reduced by 30 per cent. This may include (but is not limited to) programs and initiatives that:

- prevent and respond to youth offending
- divert young people from court which create positive pathways with communities
- support young people transitioning from custody back to their community and provide support and opportunities to help them thrive to reduce reoffending.

A holistic approach means to provide support that looks at the whole person, not just their mental health needs. The support should also consider their physical, emotional, social and spiritual wellbeing. This approach is aligned with the concept of Aboriginal health - which is holistic in that it includes physical, social, emotional and cultural well-being of individuals and the whole community.

Limitations

All applicants are required to meet the following eligibility criteria:

- be able to enter into a grant funding agreement with Department of Communities and Justice
- have an Australian bank account
- have an Australian Business Number (ABN)
- have appropriate insurance; this must include but is not limited to a minimum of $10 million Public Liability Insurance
- address the NSW National Redress Scheme sanctions (included in this template)
- be a registered Australian business, or a not-for-profit Aboriginal Community Controlled Organisation (ACCO), or other incorporated organisation.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19571/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19571/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19571/apply
Email: YJGrantsFunding@dcj.nsw.gov.au

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Road Safety Grants

Funding Provider
Department of Logistics and Infrastructure (NT)

Location
NT

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19607

Primary Category
Public safety

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- School
- Local Govt
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
$15,000

Rounds
Closes **30 Jun 2026 12:30 AM (ACST)**

Purpose

The Road Safety Grants program aims to provide funding to community groups to develop and implement projects that target local road safety concerns, encourage greater community involvement in road safety to empower people and build capacity in the community.

Overview

The Department of Logistics and Infrastructure (DLI) is offering funding for road safety initiatives and programs that improve or promote road safety in our local communities and organisations.

Road Safety Grants of up to $15 000 are available for activities and events occurring within 12 months of the application.

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Applications seeking significantly more funding for larger scale/more complex initiatives will be assessed and considered on a case-by-case basis.

All grants should be clearly linked to at least one of the following road safety priority areas:

- Pedestrian safety
- Motorcycle safety
- Remote/rural road safety
- Speeding
- Alcohol and drugs.

Limitations

The Program is open to all NT not-for-profit organisations, local governments, schools and sporting or community groups who want to develop and implement projects to address local road safety concerns and increase road safety awareness.

Organisations must be incorporated under the *NT Associations Act 2003*. Organisations include but are not limited to sporting organisations, scout groups, community art centres, service clubs, schools, and local councils and youth groups.

Individuals and for-profit organisations are not eligible for funding.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19607/info
Email: road.safety@nt.gov.au **Phone:** 1800 720 144

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2026 Competitive Research Project Grant

Funding Provider
The Hospital Research Foundation Group

Location
SA

Funding Type
Research G19565

Primary Category
Research

Eligible to
- State Govt
- University

Funding
$250,000

Rounds
Closes **28 Jan 2026 4:00pm (ACDT)**

Purpose

THRF Group is pleased to invite Expressions of Interest from SA-based health and medical researchers for this 2026 Competitive Research Project Grant Round which has the overall objective to improve health outcomes and quality of life for those affected by neurodegenerative conditions through evidence-based advances in diagnosis or treatment.

Overview

For this round, THRF Group invites proposals that aim to develop and test new or improved diagnostic and/or treatment approaches for neurodegenerative conditions, such as (but not limited to) dementia, Parkinson's, motor neurone disease, and multiple sclerosis. THRF Group particularly welcomes proposals leveraging digitally enabled "precision medicine" technologies (e.g. artificial intelligence).

Proposals must be led by an early-to-mid-career researcher and may request funding of up to $250,000 total for a maximum of two years.

Proposals must not duplicate or substantially overlap with existing projects or pending proposals.

Limitations

Applications must be submitted via one of the following Administering Institutions:

- Adelaide University
- Central Adelaide Local Health Network (CALHN) - includes SA Pathology
- Flinders University

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- Northern Adelaide Local Health Network (NALHN)
- SA Regional Local Health Networks (RLHNs) / Rural Support Service (RSS)
- South Australian Health and Medical Research Institute (SAHMRI)
- Southern Adelaide Local Health Network (SALHN)
- Torrens University
- University of Adelaide
- University of South Australia
- Women's and Children's Health Network (WCHN)

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19565/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19565/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19565/apply
Email: grants@hospitalresearch.org.au

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ABRS National Taxonomy Research Grant Program

Funding Provider
Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water (DCCEEW)

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Research R00115

Primary Category
Research

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- University
- State Govt
- Business
- Local Govt

Funding
Amount: $5,000 to $375,000
Total Pool: $2,030,000

Rounds
Opens **3 Feb 2026** Closes **17 Mar 2026 5pm ACT Local Time**

Purpose

The National Taxonomy Research Grant Program 2026-27 grant opportunity provides grants for taxonomy and systematics research, training and recruitment of taxonomists.

Overview

Grants will support projects with the primary aim of undertaking research into the taxonomy of the Australian biota. The ABRS has three Priority Areas for Research:

- Biodiversity, Conservation and Vulnerable and Endangered Species.
- Public, Plant, Animal and Environmental Health.
- Building Taxonomic Capacity.

The objectives of the grant opportunity are:

- to support research into taxonomy
- to increase funding for taxonomy through enhanced co-funding opportunities**.**

Funding:

Grants available for the program:

- $10,000 for Non-salaried Researcher, Honours, and Masters Scholarship grants
- $20,000 for PhD Scholarship Support grants.

Up to 50% co-funding required:

- $20,000 for Early Career Research Grants
- $300,000 for Research Grants
- $375,000 for Postdoctoral Fellowship Grants.

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Limitations

Eligibility

You can apply if you:

- have an Australian Business Number (ABN)
- are an appropriate host institution (see guidelines section 14) submitting an application on behalf of a Principal Investigator, scholarship student, or Non-Salaried Researcher Grant

and be one of the following entities:

- an entity, incorporated in Australia (this includes an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Corporation registered under the Corporations (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander) Act 2006 (Cth)
- a co-operative
- a publicly funded research organisation (PFRO)
- an Australian local government agency or body an
- Australian State/Territory government agency or body an
- Australian Commonwealth government agency or body (excluding non-Corporate Commonwealth Entities)
- an incorporated association or not for profit organisation and you do not have an active state or territory incorporated association registration or ACNC registration at the time of application, provide the Constitutional documents and/or Articles of Association that demonstrate the character of the organisation
- a partnership, provide a copy of your partnership agreement.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/R00115/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/R00115/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/R00115/apply
Email: enquiries@industry.gov.au **Phone:** 13 28 46

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ANZIC Travel Support

Funding Provider
Australian and New Zealand IODP Consortium (ANZIC)

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19548

Primary Category
Research

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$2,500

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

ANZIC is pleased to offer Travel Support to scientists from their member institutions to attend international Proposal Planning Workshops to shape new scientific drilling plans.

Overview

ANZIC provides up to AU$2,500 to support your travel expenses to participate in international proposal planning workshops related to ICDP or scientific ocean drilling activities. You must secure co-funding for the balance of your travel expenses.

If you wish to apply, first contact the ANZIC Program Manager

Limitations

Ensure you can meet the following requirements:

- Invitation letter: Obtain a letter from the workshop organisers detailing how your expertise will contribute to the workshop's goals or proposal's needs.

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- Strategic relevance: Demonstrate that your participation aligns with ANZIC's science priorities or could lead to drilling in our region.
- Co-funding commitment: Secure or have the ability to secure additional co-funding if your total travel costs exceed ANZIC's contribution of up to AU$2,500.
- Career development for ECRs: If you are an Early Career Researcher (ECR), illustrate how attending the workshop will benefit your career in the short to medium term.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19548/info
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19548/apply
Email: ANZIC.manager@anu.edu.au

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Breakthrough Victoria Challenge: Solutions to Solar PV Waste Grants

Funding Provider
Breakthrough Victoria

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G12530

Primary Category
Research

Eligible to
Business

Funding
$10,000,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Challenge is funded by the Labor Government's $2 billion investment in the Breakthrough Victoria Fund, which invests in innovative companies and founders looking to solve complex problems.

Overview

The Breakthrough Victoria Challenge aims to catalyse new innovations, discover new IP, build the capability of local innovators and attract global talent to address emerging problems.

There is an emerging problem to address in this round. That is when solar panels are replaced. They have a:

- Short lifestyle
- High waste volume
- Valuable components in panels

Breakthrough Victoria is calling on submissions from the broader scientific and innovation community that we can help foster and commercialise as a scalable solution.

Funding available

Breakthrough Victoria will invest at all stages of a company's journey, from pre-seed to and beyond - to the value of $10 million. We are an equity investor (think of us like a VC). We do not offer grants or venture debt, we do make direct investments, or we can do convertible notes.

Limitations

Eligibility

Investment is available for existing businesses in Victoria or those outside Victoria looking to expand into this state.

Breakthrough Victoria wants to invest in solar panel recycling to directly create a circular economy within Victoria for solar panels, while diverting waste from landfill, creating jobs and stimulating economic development within the state.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online

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Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G12530/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G12530/apply
Website: https://breakthroughvictoria.com/contact/

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Commission for Gender Equality in the Public Sector (CGEPS) - PhD Program

Funding Provider
Commission for Gender Equality in the Public Sector

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Research R00090

Primary Category
Research

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
Total Pool: Unknown

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The program supports research to drive intersectional workplace gender equality and grow the community of researchers working in this space.

Overview

The program is open to students from:

- the social sciences
- psychology
- law
- business (including human resources and industrial relations).

Research projects should:

- align with the goals of the Gender Equality Act 2020
- be relevant to the Victorian context
- ideally make use of data collected by the Commission.

Benefits of the program:

Successful applicants will:

- work closely with the Commission throughout their PhD candidature
- develop research that supports gender equality
- meet regularly with the Public Sector Gender Equality Commissioner
- have access to external supervision from PhD-qualified Commission staff
- use a desk space at the Commission's Melbourne office
- access the Commissions data
- meet with key workplace gender equality stakeholders
- learn about the Victorian public sector and government policy
- have the potential to apply for a small professional development grant.

You may apply at any time and applicant assessment will occur on a rolling basis.

It is advised that you align your application with your candidature commencement date.

- If your candidature commences in semester 1, please apply by 31 October the year before.
- If your candidature commences in semester 2, please apply by 30 April in the same year.

Acceptance to the CGEPS PhD Program at other times is at the discretion of the Commissioner.

Limitations

Who can apply:

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- You must be enrolled, or planning to enrol in a PhD program at an Australian university. It is preferred that you apply to the CGEPS PhD Program before commencing your candidature.
- You must have a scholarship or be able to fund your own research.
- You must be able to regularly work in Melbourne at the Commissions office.

We especially encourage applications from:

- Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people
- people from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds
- people with disability
- people from LGBTIQA+ communities.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Email
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/R00090/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/R00090/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/R00090/apply
Email: enquiries@genderequalitycommission.vic.gov.au

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Graphite Research and Development Grant

Funding Provider
The Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation (CSIRO)

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G16665

Primary Category
Research

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Business

Funding
Amount: $10,000 to $50,000

Rounds
Closes **30 Mar 2026**

Purpose

The Graphite Research and Development Grant provides Australian small to medium enterprises SMEs with funding and access to CSIRO experts on collaborative R&D projects.

Overview

These projects will focus on developing innovative technologies and processes essential for natural graphite production, particularly for battery applications.

This initiative will support development of a sustainable graphite industry in Australia, which is essential to meeting the growing global demand for battery anode materials. Australia is positioned to become a key supplier to the USA and other global markets by capitalising on its natural graphite deposits. This program supports R&D in areas like alternative feedstocks, efficient recycling methods, and purification techniques, contributing to a cleaner, more sustainable graphite production process.

Watch the Graphite R&D Grant Opportunity webinar hosted by the program team to understand the grant details and learn more about collaborating with CSIRO.

Funding:

- Eligible SMEs can access between $10,000 - $50,000.

Limitations

Businesses are required to contribute funding to the graphite R&D project that is at least equal to, or greater than, the amount of the graphite R&D grant.

To be eligible for this grant opportunity, you must:

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- Be incorporated in Australia and have an Australian Business Number (ABN) and Australian Company Number (ACN)
- Be registered for GST
- Employ fewer than 200 people

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G16665/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G16665/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G16665/apply

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Health Research Grants - Program and Partnership

Funding Provider
Stan Perron Charitable Foundation

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Research R00024

Primary Category
Research

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- University
- Individual
- Business

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Stan Perron Charitable Foundation supports research involving child health, inclusive of antenatal, adolescent and young adult health. Applications detailing innovative and transformative ideas may originate from basic, clinical, population health or health services research.

Overview

Foundation has identified three specific areas of health research at this time for which it will consider funding:

1. **People and Platforms** supporting outstanding research. People and Platforms include applications for clinical and scientific personnel from any health-related discipline to conduct research.Also included is infrastructure needed to activate an important activity in any scientific or health related discipline. Examples of applications that may qualify for consideration in this category include those requiring consumer or community involvement, data solutions, equipment, facilities, biobanks and research training. **Now closed for 2025**
2. **Major research Programs** that are collaborative and outcome-driven for up to five years. Programs that involve partnerships and funding contributions from other bodies, which involve significant innovation and/or build capacity within Western Australia, are especially encouraged. Collaborators may be from any state or country with the research driven from Western Australia. Single research projects are not eligible for funding in this category. **Open**
3. **Partnerships funding** encouraging collaborations between researchers and institutions to improve health outcomes for children in Western Australia. These may be in the form of single research projects or a program. Funding will be contingent on partnership support and co-funding with the lead organisation based in Western Australia. **Open**

The Foundation encourages applications regardless of the level of funds sought.

The Foundation will accept applications for Programs and Partnerships at any time with applicants notified of the outcome of their application within nine months.

Limitations

Key exclusions

The Foundation will generally not fund organisations related to religious belief or political activity nor programs or activities that are clearly a core responsibility of Government.

New applicants may not be successful if they are seeking funding for similar causes, activities, health conditions or community services already being addressed by an existing Foundation grant recipient.

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The Foundation generally does not provide funds for causes outside of Western Australia. The health and well-being of the Western Australian community is foremost in funding decisions.

The main applicant and lead institution must be based in Western Australia, with the main applicant employed by a Western Australian Health Service, University or affiliated Medical Research Institution at the time and for the duration of the proposal.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/R00024/info

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/R00024/apply
Contact: Dr Barbara Sheil
Email: info@perronfoundation.org.au

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Healthy - Public Health Research Projects Funding

Funding Provider
The Ian Potter Foundation

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19838

Primary Category
Research

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- University
- Unincorporated Assoc
- DGR Required

Funding
Amount: $240,000 to $600,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Expression of Interest (EOI) Required to apply
Opens **28 May 2026** Closes **18 Jun 2026**

Rounds
Closes **20 Aug 2026**

Purpose

The Ian Potter Foundation is seeking to support outstanding tertiary institutions, medical research institutes or suitably qualified public health organisations which conduct translational public health research.

Overview

Funding Objectives
To improve the health and well-being of communities that have a high incidence of ill health by supporting them to implement preventative public health initiatives that work best in their specific context.

This can encompass:

- Early-stage projects exploring the most pressing public health challenges identified by a community and developing solutions with the community to improve health and well-being for that community
- Advanced projects that seek to implement solutions conceptualised and developed with the community as an equal partner
- Collecting and synthesising the evidence of established community-led initiatives to inform policy or develop and test funding models for long-term sustainability
- Scaling of pilot projects that have demonstrated success in improving health and well-being in a community
- Community-led innovative public health initiatives that disrupt or shift existing systems, driving determinants of health (social, economic and environmental), which perpetuate health outcome inequities.

Community-based organisations with the appropriate DGR status of any size are encouraged to apply. The Foundation only considers grant applications for multi-year grants for a minimum of $100,000.

Limitations

Projects that fall into any of the following categories will not be considered for funding:

- Retrospective funding - projects which are already underway, or which will commence prior to the date indicated in our online application information are not eligible for consideration.
- Recurrent expenditure for which there is no future provision.
- Capital or endowment funds established to fund a chair or to provide a corpus for institutions.
- Research for undergraduate, masters or doctoral students

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- Auspicing* is not permitted - the organisation applying must be the one that will run the program or project.
- Applications for public charitable purposes outside the Commonwealth of Australia**
- Applications for projects that have previously been declined by the Foundation cannot be resubmitted.
- Applications will not be accepted from organisations that have not successfully acquitted previous grants from the Foundation.
- We do not directly support schools.

Auspicing refers to the practice of an ineligible organisation (one that does not have DGR and TCC status) applying to the Foundation via an eligible organisation. Auspicing arrangements are excluded under the Foundation's guidelines. The organisation applying to the Foundation must be the organisation that will run the project or program for which a grant is being sought.

The Foundation is limited to providing money, property or benefits for public charitable purposes in the Commonwealth of Australia. However, the Foundation is able to provide a grant for activities outside the Commonwealth if the grant is made for a public charitable purpose in the Commonwealth. For example, a grant might be made to an Australian university to enable it to fund an overseas study tour by an Australian researcher engaged by the university.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19838/info
Contact: Lauren Monaghan
Website: https://www.ianpotter.org.au/contact/ **Phone:** 03 9611 1591

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Lasker Award

Funding Provider
The Albert & Mary Lasker Foundation

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Scholarship S05733

Primary Category
Research

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **2 Feb 2026**

Purpose

The purpose of these Awards is to honour individuals who have made significant contributions in basic or clinical research in diseases that are the main cause of death and disability. The Award winners may reside in any country of the world.

Overview

The purpose of these Awards is to honor individuals who have made significant contributions in basic or clinical research. The Award winners may reside in any country of the world.

Each Award consists of an honorarium and an inscribed statuette of the Winged Victory of Samothrace, symbolizing victory over death and disease.

When the Award is given to more than one individual in a category, the honorarium will be divided among the winners, and each will receive a statuette and a citation. More than one scientist may be nominated if the individuals have worked as a team or independently made key contributions. No more than three individuals will be considered for an Award in the Basic or Clinical category.

The Jurors' evaluations of the contributions of the nominees depend heavily on the information supplied in the nomination packet. Therefore, the nomination should be accurate, detailed, current and complete. Supporting letters that specifically address the nominee's scientific accomplishments will be helpful to the Jury.

Albert Lasker Basic Medical Research Award

For a fundamental discovery that opens up a new area of biomedical science.

Lasker˜DeBakey Clinical Medical Research Award

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For a major advance that improves the lives of many thousands of people.

Lasker˜Koshland Special Achievement Award in Medical Science

For research accomplishments and scientific statesmanship that engender the deepest feelings of awe and respect.

Limitations

Anyone who has made an original and significant contribution in basic or clinical medical research, or in public service, is eligible for nomination. Lasker Awards are highly competitive and are bestowed on individuals whose work opens new areas of biomedical science or public service. Award winners may reside in any country of the world.

Individuals or organisations must meet at least one of the following selection criteria for the Lasker~Bloomberg Public Service Award:

1. significantly improving the public's understanding of medical research, public health, or healthcare;
2. playing a major role in the support of policy, legislative, or other initiatives that accelerate progress in medical science or health;
3. providing critical and generous financial support for initiatives to enhance health or medical research;
4. generating support for medical science or public health;
5. significantly benefitting the lives of many people through public health practice.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05733/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05733/apply
Contact: David Keegan
Email: dkeegan@laskerfoundation.org **Phone:** +1 212 286 0222

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Leakey Foundation Research Grants

Funding Provider
Leakey Foundation

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G17658

Primary Category
Research

Eligible to
University

Funding
Amount: Unknown to $30,000
Total Pool: Unknown

Rounds
Closes **10 Jan 2026**

Last Round
Closed **15 Jul 2025**

Purpose

The Leakey Foundation exclusively funds research related specifically to human origins.

Overview

Leakey Foundation Research Grants support both PhD dissertation research and post-PhD research across multiple disciplines related to human origins, evolution, and behavior. They prioritize funding for the exploratory phases of promising new research projects and innovative, multidisciplinary approaches that expand the boundaries of our current understanding.

Each year they award approximately $1,000,000 in grants and scholarships, advancing their mission to explore and explain the human story.

Proposals are welcomed from researchers at all stages of their careers, especially PhD candidates.

Current funding focus areas include:

- Paleoanthropology of the Miocene, Pliocene, and Pleistocene
- Primates: Evolution, behavior, morphology, ecology, endocrinology, genetics, isotope studies
- Modern hunter-gatherer groups

Amounts:

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- Up to $20,000 for PhD candidates
- Up to $30,000 for post-PhD researchers

When to apply:

- January 10 for spring cycle
- July 15 for autumn cycle

January 2026 Applicants: If you are preparing to apply for the January 10th, 2026 deadline, please note that the current application portal is no longer accessible. Please wait until the new application portal launches Fall 2025.

Limitations

Eligibility:

- Your research must be relevant to human origins and evolution.
- Applications are open to advanced doctoral students or post-PhD researchers.
- PhD students must be advanced to candidacy (all but dissertation).
- There are no citizenship requirements. Applications are open to candidates from anywhere in the world.
- Applicants must be affiliated with an institution such as a university or museum. We do not give directly to individuals.
- Resubmittals are welcome and encouraged.
- If you have received a Leakey Foundation grant in the past, you must complete all reporting requirements before receiving a new one.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G17658/info
Address: The Leakey Foundation 1003B O'Reilly Avenue SAN FRANCISCO 94129-1359 CA
Email: grants@leakeyfoundation.org **Phone:** (415) 561 4646

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MRFF - Australian Brain Cancer Mission - 2025 Brain Cancer Research Grant

Funding Provider
National Health and Medical Research Council (NHMRC)

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19399

Primary Category
Research

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- State Govt
- University
- Business

Funding
$2,000,000
Total Pool: $4,750,000

Rounds
Closes **4 Feb 2026 5pm (ACT Local Time)**

Purpose

The Medical Research Future Fund (MRFF) Australian Brain Cancer Mission aims to support transformative improvement to the quality and length of life of people with brain cancer, with the longer-term aim of defeating brain cancer.

Overview

The objective of this grant opportunity is to provide grants of financial assistance to support medical research and medical innovation projects that develop novel approaches to reduce treatment toxicity and adverse effects of brain cancer treatment for patients, to minimise the short- and/or long-term negative impacts for patients and carers.

The intended outcome of the research is to improve the health and wellbeing of Australians by reducing the burden caused by brain cancer treatments and improving quality of life for people affected by brain cancer, including their carers.

Applicants to this grant opportunity must propose to conduct research that delivers against the above objectives and those of the Australian Brain Cancer Mission as described in the Roadmap and Implementation Plan. Applicants are encouraged to propose novel and/or innovative research and describe how the outcomes of the research will be translated into health benefits for Australians.

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Funding Available: $4,750,000.00

Estimated Grant Value: up to $2,000,000.00

Limitations

Eligibility:

Applications will only be accepted from approved MRFF Eligible Organisations. A list of approved MRFF Eligible Organisations is available from the MRFF Eligible Organisations List on the NHMRC website.

Applications must satisfy all the requirements set out in the Medical Research Future Fund - Australian Brain Cancer Mission - 2025 Brain Cancer Research Grant Opportunity Guidelines

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19399/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19399/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19399/apply
Email: help@nhmrc.gov.au **Phone:** 1800 500 983

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MRFF - Genomics Health Futures Mission

Funding Provider
National Health and Medical Research Council (NHMRC)

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Research G18718

Primary Category
Research

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- University
- State Govt
- Business

Funding
Amount: $1,000,000 to $10,000,000
Total Pool: $48,800,000

Rounds
Closes **4 Feb 2026 5pm**

Purpose

The Medical Research Future Fund (MRFF) - Genomics Health Futures Mission (GHFM) - 2025 Genomics Health Futures Grant Opportunity will provide grants of financial assistance to support medical research and medical innovation projects

Overview

The objectives and intended outcomes of this grant opportunity are aligned with the following Australian Medical Research and Innovation Priorities 2024-2026:

- Research Infrastructure and Capability
- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health and Wellbeing
- Global Health and Health Security.

Consistent with the MRFF Act, the objective of this grant opportunity is to provide grants of financial assistance to support medical research and medical innovation projects that:

Stream 1 - (Targeted Call for Research): develop and implement pharmacogenomic approaches to identify new medicines and enhance medication efficacy.

Funding under Stream 1 is available as follows:

- Topic A: Cancer therapies
- Topic B: Antimicrobials
- Topic C: Medicines for other infectious or chronic diseases

Stream 2 - (Targeted Call for Research): conduct genomics research to optimise the diagnosis, treatment, monitoring and prevention of high-priority and high-burden diseases among Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander peoples.

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Limitations

Who is eligible?

Applications will only be accepted from approved MRFF Eligible Organisations. A list of approved MRFF Eligible Organisations is available from the MRFF Eligible Organisations List on the NHMRC website.

Applications must satisfy all the requirements set out in the MRFF - GHFM - 2025 Genomics Health Futures Grant Opportunity guidelines.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G18718/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G18718/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G18718/apply
Email: help@nhmrc.gov.au

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MRFF EPCDRI - 2025 Childhood Mental Health Research Grant

Funding Provider
National Health and Medical Research Council (NHMRC)

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Research G19632

Primary Category
Research

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- University
- Business
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
$5,000,000
Total Pool: $20,000,000

Rounds
Closes **25 Mar 2026**

Purpose

The opportunity will support medical research and medical innovation projects that conduct large-scale implementation research projects to bring evidence-based preventions and treatments, including those that are technologically enabled

Overview

Three topics of funding are available based on the primary focus of the research or the geographic location of the organisation undertaking the majority of the research.

- **Topic A** (Aim 2 of Research Plan; Targeted Call for Research): improving the mental health of First Nations children through research led by First Nations researchers that includes meaningful involvement of First Nations communities.
- **Topic B** (Aim 2 of Research Plan; Targeted Call for Research): the organisation undertaking the majority of the research is based in any area according to the Modified Monash Model locator (MM1-7).
- **Topic C** (Aim 2 of Research Plan; Targeted Call for Research): the organisation undertaking the majority of the research, the Chief Investigator A and 50% or more of all Chief Investigators, and all research participants are primarily based in a regional, rural or remote area according to the Modified Monash Model locator (MM2-7).

The anticipated outcome/s of the research is to improve the health and wellbeing of Australians by implementation of 'evidence-based' models that improve children's mental health and wellbeing or prevent mental illness.

This grant opportunity is being administered by NHMRC on behalf of the Australian Government Department of Health, Disability and Ageing.

Limitations

Applications will only be accepted from NHMRC approved Eligible Organisations. A list of NHMRC approved MRFF Eligible Organisations is available from the GrantConnect GO Documents and from the MRFF Eligible Organisations Institutions list on the NHMRC website.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online

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Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19632/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19632/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19632/apply
Email: help@nhmrc.gov.au **Phone:** 1800 500 983

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MRFF: Frontier Health and Medical Research Grant Opportunity

Funding Provider
Department of Health, Disability and Ageing

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Research G12833

Primary Category
Research

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- University
- Business

Funding
$25,000,000
Total Pool: $400,000,000

Rounds
Closes **31 Mar 2026**

Purpose

This grant opportunity offers funding to support medical research and medical innovation programs of research that deliver a ‘moonshot’ by creating a treatment for a currently serious and incurable health condition, through a series of linked projects.

Overview

The program of research can propose to develop novel health technologies and/or re-purpose existing health technologies in a novel way.

The process to get funding has 2 stages:

- expression of interest – outlining a proposed program of research with a 10-year time horizon
- full application, for a project of up to 5 years under the program of research.

Full applications may be submitted by invitation only. Applicants may propose to start research at any stage in the research pipeline from proof-of-concept, with the intention of achieving full implementation of the proposed technology in 10 years.

We expect that expressions of interest will close on 31 March 2026, with the last grants awarded by 30 June 2027.

Limitations

Eligibility:

You can apply if you:

- have an Australian business number (ABN)
- are incorporated in Australia

and in accordance with s24 of the *MRFF Act 2015*, be one of the following entities:

- a medical research institute
- a university
- a corporate Commonwealth entity
- a corporation (including business and not for profits).

We can only accept applications where you can provide:

- evidence from your board (or chief executive officer or equivalent if there is no board) that the project is supported, and that you can complete the project and meet the costs of the project not covered by grant funding
- letters of support from each project partner, where applicable
- audited financial statements or annual reports.

In addition you must not duplicate any research that has been or is currently being undertaken.

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You must list all members of your research team (Chief Investigators), to a maximum of 15. A Chief Investigator cannot be named on more than one active expression of interest/full application.

You can't apply if you are:

- an individual
- a partnership
- an unincorporated association
- a trust (however, an incorporated trustee may apply on behalf of a trust)
- an organisation, or your project partner is an organisation, included on the National Redress Scheme's list of Institutions that have not joined or signified their intent to join the Scheme
- an employer of 100 or more employees that has not complied with the *Workplace Gender Equality Act* (2012).

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G12833/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G12833/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G12833/apply
Email: enquiries@industry.gov.au **Phone:** 132 846

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National Intelligence Post-Doctoral Grants

Funding Provider
Office of National Intelligence

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Research G19597

Primary Category
Research

Eligible to
- University
- Individual

Funding
$365,000

Rounds
Closes **13 Feb 2026**

Purpose

The program provides a $365k (GST exclusive) Fellowship over two years to enable Post-doctoral research by an individual into specific NIC-defined topics.

Overview

The NIPG program objectives are to:

- guide the direction of the NIC to ensure a structured and appropriate response to technological advancements;
- seek solutions for emerging or future capability gaps;
- improve the NIC's science and technology responsiveness;
- build understanding of emerging technologies and science issues and solutions; and
- enable innovative activity and research programs not currently possible.

The intended outcomes of the program are:

- to deliver research outcomes that help drive solutions in areas of direct relevance to the NIC;
- to build and sustain academic partnerships between the NIC and Australian institutions; and
- to invest in and foster capability in Australian research in areas relevant to the NIC.

The program will award grant opportunities for at least ten (10) postdoctoral NIPG fellowship positions in 2026 followed by up to ten (10) further opportunities awarded annually until 2030/31. Individual grants will be funded up to a maximum of $365,000 (GST exclusive) for a period no longer than two (2) years for full time, and up to four (4) years for part time (where agreed to by ONI for carer/family responsibility or relevant and limited teaching appointments).

Limitations

Applications for this grant opportunity must:

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- be submitted by an eligible Postdoctoral Candidate on your behalf as their sponsoring accredited Australian university;
- be sponsored by an Eligible Organisation (an accredited Australian university), and
- nominate an eligible Research Advisor.

See grant guidelines for further details.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19597/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19597/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19597/apply
Email: NIPG@oni.gov.au

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Research and Development (R&D) Tax Incentive

Funding Providers
Department of Industry, Innovation and Science
Australian Taxation Office

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G00861

Primary Category
Research

Eligible to
Business

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Research and Development Tax Incentive helps to offset some of the costs you put into eligible R&D, which benefits the wider Australian economy.

Overview

The Research and Development Tax Incentive (R&DTI) offers a tax offset for companies conducting eligible R&D activities. It encourages investment in R&D to help your company to grow and innovate which generates benefits for the Australian economy.
As well as providing financial support, the R&DTI can be an opportunity to collaborate with registered Research Service Providers (RSPs).

Limitations

You may eligible if you are:

- a company that is liable to pay income tax in Australia
- conduct at least one activity that meets the definition of a core R&D activity
- have eligible R&D expenditure <$20,000

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G00861/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G00861/apply
Contact: AusIndustry
Email: rdtaxincentive@industry.gov.au **Phone:** 13 28 46

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Responsible Gambling Grants - Research

Funding Provider
Office of Responsible Gambling (NSW)

Location
NSW

Funding Type
Cash Grant G08600

Primary Category
Research

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- University
- Business

Funding
$200,000 (approx)
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Responsible Gambling Fund provides funding for a range of research projects to build the evidence base for responsible gambling policy, interventions and programs.

Overview

The Office encourages research proposals involving:

- collaborative partnerships, for instance between academics and industry or service providers
- early career researchers
- applications from a diverse range of disciplines, fields and contexts, to ensure issues are explored from a range of perspectives

Types of Funding

The Office is open to supporting a wide range of proposals. A mix of large scale proposals involving multi#year investments and small proposals with short time#frames will be funded.

For example, proposals could include:

- Academic and applied research studies
- Literature reviews
- Data analysis and data linkage studies
- Pilots and trials to test feasibility

How to make a submission

There are no formal submission rounds scheduled. However, out-of-round submissions are welcome, especially if there's a timing or policy imperative.

To express your interest in submitting a proposal contact the Office at info@responsiblegambling.nsw.gov.au to discuss the submission. Applicants meeting the eligibility criteria will then be given access to the Office's grant portal to lodge a detailed proposal.

Limitations

Eligibility

To be considered for funding a proposal needs to:

- be submitted by an organisation with an ABN
- clearly set out the need or gap it will address, and how it will have outcomes for people throughout NSW or for a targeted region/community in NSW
- address a priority research theme of the RGF
- be for a project with a fixed timeline and not for recurring, infrastructure or capital expenditure, or for operational costs including permanent staffing.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Email
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G08600/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G08600/guidelines
Email: info@responsiblegambling.nsw.gov.au **Phone:** (02) 9995 0992

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e-ASIA Joint Research Program

Funding Provider
National Health and Medical Research Council (NHMRC)

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Research R00116

Primary Category
Research

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- University
- Business

Funding
$750,000
Total Pool: $4,500,000

Rounds
Closes **1 Apr 2026**

Purpose

The e-ASIA JRP formulates and supports international joint research projects in the East Asia region on a multilateral basis and promotes the interaction of researchers through scientific workshops.

Overview

The NHMRC e-ASIA Joint Research Program supports Australian participation and collaboration in leading international research through the e-ASIA Joint Research Program (e-ASIA JRP).

The e-ASIA JRP selects research projects through an open call for proposals. Fields of cooperation are decided among the e-ASIA participating member organisations and funding is for up to three years.

The 2026 NHMRC e-ASIA grant opportunity will support Australian participation and partnership in international collaborative research through the e-ASIA JRP 15th call for proposals under the Health Research stream.

NHMRC has allocated up to $4.5million to support up to 6 grants (with a capped maximum value of $750,000 per grant) for the Australian component of successful projects in the e-ASIA JRP 15th Health Research stream. Applications are invited for projects commencing in 2026 addressing the research topics of either:

- Call Topic 1: Infectious Diseases and Immunology
- Call Topic 2: Advanced Medical research & Enabling Technologies

Limitations

Applications must satisfy all the requirements set out in the 2026 NHMRC e-ASIA Joint Research Program Guidelines.

The e-ASIA JRP has specific eligibility criteria for applicants. Applications will be excluded from consideration if eligibility requirements are not met, including:

- A minimum of 3 collaborating partners from supporting member organisations participating in a call topic, per application.
- Applications specific to each participating member organisation must be completed by the Chief Investigator in their respective country. More detailed eligibility requirements can be found in the e-ASIA 15th Health Research call text available on the e-ASIA website.

For details regarding the 2026 NHMRC e-ASIA JRP peer review process, refer to the:

- 2026 NHMRC e-ASIA JRP Peer Review Guidelines available on Grant Connect.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/R00116/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/R00116/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/R00116/apply
Email: help@nhmrc.gov.au **Phone:** 1800 500 983

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Airservices Australia Enroute Charges Payment Scheme

Funding Provider
Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communications, Sport and the Arts

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Subsidised Goods And Services G12879

Primary Category
Rural and regional

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Local Govt
- Business

Funding
$2,000,000 (approx)
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Airservices Australia Enroute Charges Payment Scheme (Enroute) provides a subsidy to air operators providing commercial passenger or aeromedical services to regional and remote locations through a reimbursement of the enroute air navigation charges levied by Airservices Australia.

Overview

The aim of the program is to provide regional and remote communities with access to essential air services that can in turn connect these smaller communities with the rest of Australia. The Scheme supports regional commercial airlines operating low volume and new routes to regional and remote communities; as well as aeromedical providers.

The Government's policy for aviation encourages the growth of regional aviation services across Australia and the expansion of the current network by giving impetus for operators to test whether a new route can be commercially viable in time.

The program is administered according to the Commonwealth Grants Rules and Guidelines (CGRGs).

Successful applicants flying commercial routes can obtain assistance of up to 60 per cent of the Enroute charge; and up to 100 per cent for new routes for a period of up to three years.

Successful applicants will be required to enter into a funding agreement with the Commonwealth.

Applications can be lodged at any time.

To apply for this opportunity please submit your application via email to

Limitations

To be eligible you must:

- have an Australian Business Number (ABN);
- be registered for the purposes of GST;
- be a permanent resident of Australia;
- have an account with an Australian financial institution; and
- be one of the following entity types:
    - a company incorporated in Australia
    - a company incorporated by guarantee
    - an incorporated trustee on behalf of a trust
    - an incorporated association
    - a limited partnership
    - a joint application
    - a registered charity or not-for-profit organisation
    - an Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Corporation registered under the Corporations (Aboriginal and /or Torres Strait Islander) Act 2006.

To be eligible for the commercial passenger component of the Scheme:

- the airline has a current Australian air transport (formerly Regular Public Transport (RPT)) Air Operator’s Certificate (AOC) that authorises scheduled air transport operations on the route and authorises the aircraft / aircraft type for air transport services;

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- services are to be operated as scheduled air transport operations (unscheduled air transport operations are NOT eligible);
- the route is to be to/from a Regional or Remote location, as defined by the Australian Standard Geographical Classification (ASGC);
- the route is serviced by a single operator;
- the route has no more than 15,000 passenger movements per annum;
- the route does not otherwise receive a subsidy for flight costs from any level of government;
- the proposed route is shown to have an economic and/or social impact on the community; AND
- the aircraft type used on the route has a maximum take-off weight (MTOW) of 15,000Kg or less.

To be eligible for the aeromedical component of the Scheme:

- the airline can demonstrate its engagement as a contracted aeromedical provider;
- the airline has an AOC that authorises these services;
- the aeromedical services are conducted using aircraft authorised for this purpose;
- the aircraft used has a MTOW of 15,000Kg or less; AND
- services operated by the airline are anticipated to include services to/from a Regional or Remote location, as defined by the Australian Standard Geographical Classification (ASGC).

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Mail, Email
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G12879/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G12879/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G12879/apply
Email: enroute@infrastructure.gov.au

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General Grants

Funding Provider
Connellan Airways Trust

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G04487

Primary Category
Rural and regional

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual

Funding
$10,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

General grants are designed to assist, support and enable improved social and economic outcomes for people of Outback Australia.

Overview

General grants can be used to fund a diverse range of activities. Specific projects, travel costs, education and skill building, technology (communications), community experiences, and a range of other options that align with the vision of the Trust.

The Trust aims to improve social and economic outcomes for people in Outback Australia.

General Grants, typically up to $10,000, can be used for:

- Workshops, courses, or programs to improve education, health, and wellbeing of people in remote areas
- Travel and accommodation for accessing education or healthcare opportunities, including university placements, boarding school trips, attendance at distance education activities, school/youth camps, educational tours and upskilling courses.
- Costs for facilitators of rural, remote and outback programs
- Enhancing skills and services for rural/remote areas and supporting livability through community events, clubs, and programs.

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Please note that typically, general living expenses, university fees and operational program costs like wages are not funded by general grants.

Applications for general grants are considered four times a year. Applications are to be received by the Executive Officer by the **15th of February, May, August and November each year**. The Trust's decision will be notified to applicants by the end of March, June, September and December each year. Applicants who may require a faster turnaround are encouraged to contact the Executive Officer.

Limitations

Eligibility

Individuals:

- Grants are available to people who reside in Outback Australia. Ie. People living and working on stations or in small isolated, rural and remote towns.
- Residents of the outer remote and regional centres of Australia who provide assistance to those described above.
- Australian Citizens and permanent residents of Australia.

Organisations:

- Grants are available to organisations supporting people who reside in Outback Australia. Ie. people living and working on stations or in small isolated, rural and remote towns.
- Small to medium organisations as defined by the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS)

Please confirm your residential address fits the location criteria by referring to the Trust map of remoteness. Locations categorised as very remote or remote are eligible. Outer regional locations may be considered in some circumstances, relative to access of services.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online, Email
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G04487/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G04487/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G04487/apply
Address: PO BOX 979 Alice Springs 0870 NT
Email: info@connellanaiwaystrust.org.au **Phone:** 1800 733 810

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Natural Disaster Donated Fodder Transport Subsidy - NSW Bushfires/Severe Weather

Funding Provider
Rural Assistance Authority (NSW)

Location
NSW

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19845

Primary Category
Rural and regional

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Business
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

To provide funding assistance to organisations that donate and transport donated fodder to a central location within NSW for the benefit of 3 or more primary producers with livestock whose property has been affected by a natural disaster.

Overview

The scheme will pay for the costs of transporting donated fodder to a central location within a declared Local Government Area (LGA) up to a maximum distance of 1,500 kilometres.

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Applications open on the date of declaration of a Category B natural disaster declaration and close at 5pm, 6 months after the date of the declaration of the natural disaster. (refer http://www.raa.nsw.gov.au/disaster-assistance/declarations for dates)

Limitations

The subsidy on the transport of donated fodder is available to organisations that donate and transport donated fodder for the benefit of 3 or more primary producers with livestock whose property has been affected by a natural disaster.

Pre-approval for the transport of the donated fodder must be obtained from the Authority by the organisation, including agreement on estimates for the amount of fodder to be transported, the number of trips to be completed and the total distance to be travelled.

The donated fodder must be delivered to a central location within a natural disaster declared LGA in the area(s) detailed in the movement sheet provided.

Payment of any assistance can only occur upon production of a valid tax invoice and/or proof of payment for expenses incurred.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19845/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19845/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19845/apply
Email: rural.assist@raa.nsw.gov.au **Phone:** 1800 678 593

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One-off Community Assistance - Primary producers

Funding Provider
Rural Aid Australia

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G09431

Primary Category
Rural and regional

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Rural Aid provides critical support of farmers and rural communities suffering the effects of drought, flood, fire or natural disaster.

Overview

If you're a farming family in need of help, please let us know. If you know a farming family that needs help, tell them about this campaign.

How to Register:

- Submit registration form on the funders website.
- After submitting the form, you will receive a confirmation email.
- Our team will verify your details and contact you once your registration is complete.
- **Registration does not automatically request aid.** Once registered, visit the services page to apply for assistance.

Limitations

This assistance program is for the use of eligible primary producers, including those whose industry includes the farming of livestock, produce, bees and other forms of primary production.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G09431/info

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Website: https://www.ruralaid.org.au/contact-us/ **Email:** contact@ruralaid.org.au **Phone:** 1300 327 624

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Regional Event Fund - Event Development Stream

Funding Provider
Destination New South Wales

Location
NSW

Funding Type
Cash Grant G17230

Primary Category
Rural and regional

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Business

Funding
$50,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **31 Dec 2025**

Purpose

The Event Development stream supports events that have previously received the maximum funding permitted through the Flagship Event stream and can present a strategy for future growth that includes the continued development of its tourism potential to drive overnight visitation to the event.

Overview

The Event Development stream supports events that have previously received the maximum funding permitted through the Flagship Event stream and can present a comprehensive strategy for future growth that includes the continued development of its tourism potential to drive overnight visitation to the event.

The Event Development stream will offer one-off grants of up to $50,000 (ex.GST) to events in regional NSW to support key strategic growth initiatives that will have a direct impact on increasing overnight visitation to the event. A clear strategic rationale will be required for all initiatives together with a justification for the amount requested.

Limitations

To be eligible for Event Development funding an event must have previously received and completed triennial funding through the Flagship Event stream, be taking place between 1 July 2025 and 30 June 2026 and must align with the fund criteria outlined in the grant guidelines.

Applicants should contact Destination NSW prior to commencing their application to confirm eligibility and discuss their event strategies.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G17230/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G17230/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G17230/apply
Email: ref.admin@dnsw.com.au **Phone:** 02 9931 1431

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Rural Women's Award (NT) - 2026

Funding Provider
AgriFutures Australia

Location
NT

Funding Type
Award A00796

Primary Category
Rural and regional

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
Amount: $0 to $15,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **30 Jan 2026 4pm AEST**

Purpose

The AgriFutures Rural Women's Award is Australia's leading award acknowledging and supporting the essential role women play in rural industries, businesses and communities. The Award provides a platform to inspire and support Australian women to use and develop their skills to benefit their industries and communities.

Overview

What is the prize?

The $15,000 Westpac grant is awarded to each state/territory winner, providing the financial resources to support a project, business or program that will benefit rural industries, businesses and/or communities.

The grant can be used for formal training in leadership and business management; overseas study tours; establishing business plans or pilot programs; developing educational or promotional campaigns; networking at forums and conferences to grow your knowledge of industries and markets; developing training programs; testing information technology initiatives; developing or testing a new business concept or innovation; and publishing books.

The National Winner will be awarded an additional $20,000 Westpac grant and National Runner Up, an additional $15,000. These additional funds can be used for the above-mentioned activities, plus may also be used to assist in meeting national commitments such as speaking engagements as the National Winner or Runner Up.

Winners will also have the opportunity to complete a professional development training course, and will attend a three-day workshop with all other state/territory winners, to focus on further professional development skills and refinement of their winning project, business or program.

Limitations

Who can apply?

Entry to the RWA Award is open to individuals who are:

- Female and/or identify as female;
- Must be over the age of 18 years of age on the date of entry; and
- permanent residents of Australia;
- must not be a Related Party of AgriFutures Australia (i.e., not an employee of AgriFutures Australia, or a member of the key management personnel of major sponsors and government agency partners, not a close family member of the above); and
- must not be previous national or state/territory winner of either the former ABC Radio Rural Woman of the Year, RIRDC Rural Women's Award or AgriFutures Rural Women's Award (however, previous state/territory finalists are encouraged to re-apply).
- a current owner or founder of the business or organisation that operates the project or program forming the basis of this application. The applicant founder or owner must hold an active role in the business at the time of entry. Individuals who have relinquished ownership or are no longer actively involved in the business are not eligible.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/A00796/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/A00796/apply
Contact: Samantha Nowland
Email: samantha.nowland@nt.gov.au **Phone:** 08 8924 4265

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Strengthening Rural Communities (SRC) - Prepare & Recover

Funding Provider
Foundation for Rural and Regional Renewal (FRRR)

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G10042

Primary Category
Rural and regional

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
$25,000
Total Pool: Unknown

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Strengthening Rural Communities (SRC) Prepare & Recover program supports communities in remote, rural and regional communities across Australia to implement initiatives that prevent and prepare for future climate related impacts, or recover from existing disasters through the medium to long term process.

Overview

Grants **up to $25,000** are available for a broad range of initiatives that focus on community-led resilience building in recovery or preparedness to strengthen the capacity and capability of local people and systems, especially to manage the impact of future disasters.

Projects that focus on strengthening local inclusion, networks, communication, information sharing, self-organising systems, local decision making, resourcing, tools and support will be prioritised.

Demonstration of project need must reference a specific climate impact or event, either historic or likely to occur in the future.

Limitations

Is my organisation eligible?

To apply, **your organisation must meet the following criteria**

- Applicant organisations must be a **not-for-profit organisation** with either an **Incorporation Certificate and/or an ABN**. If you are unsure if your organisation is a registered not-for-profit (for example, if you are a Co-operative, Other Unincorporated Entity, Public Company or Trust), please contact FRRR;
- Project must be for charitable purposes and offer clear public benefit;
- Organisations with or without DGR endorsement are eligible;
- Organisations can submit one application per grant round;
- Projects must benefit communities in remote, rural or regional Australia.

Please note, **you will be considered ineligible** if the:

- Organisation submits more than one application per grant round in the Strengthening Rural Communities program – either Small & Vital, Rebuilding Regional Communities or Prepare & Recover;
- Application is submitted by individuals, sole traders, private or commercial businesses (as per the submitted ABN);
- Application is submitted by an organisation that is not a legal entity, without the written consent of the governing / partnering body who holds the ABN / Incorporation number;
- Application is submitted without required financial documentation (see additional information on the second tab);
- Final report/s from any FRRR grants awarded in the previous seven years have not been acquitted (delivery organisations should check with legal organisation to see if there are any outstanding final reports);
- Application is for a project or activity that has already occurred / is occurring prior to the announcement of funding;
- Application is incomplete. NOTE: Due to the volume of applications received, applications are assessed based on the documentation received at the time of application. **FRRR is unlikely to follow up missing documentation after applications have been submitted.**

There are several areas that we **can't fund** through this program. If in doubt, please contact us.

- Projects that support core business and areas of responsibility of Federal, State and Local Governments;
- Solely ongoing core organisational operational costs (e.g. rent, utilities, regular wages, loan repayments);

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- The encouragement or advancement of sport, recreation and social activities are not considered charitable activities under Australian law. **Applications from sporting organisations need to clearly demonstrate charitable outcomes and benefit to the wider community that are above and beyond the sporting activities of the club;**
- Overseas travel and overseas projects;
- Prizes, gifts, trophies or awards;
- Political lobbying;
- Projects that primarily benefit private business, a sole trader, or private interests;
- Projects solely focused on animal welfare; and
- Initiatives relating to pandemic recovery, mice plagues, other environmental disease, economic disruptions, or other events causing significant community impacts.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G10042/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G10042/guidelines
Email: info@frrr.org.au **Phone:** 1800 170 020

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Strengthening Rural Communities (SRC) - Small & Vital grants

Funding Provider
Foundation for Rural and Regional Renewal (FRRR)

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G08911

Primary Category
Rural and regional

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
$50,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Strengthening Rural Communities (SRC) Small & Vital stream gives small remote, rural and regional communities across Australia the opportunity to access funds for a broad range of initiatives that directly and clearly benefit local communities.

Overview

There are two tiers of Small & Vital funding available:

Small grants up to $10,000 are available for a broad range of grassroots, community-led initiatives that directly and clearly benefit local communities that strengthen local people, places and climate solutions with a preference for smaller communities (populations under 15,000). The timeframe to deliver these projects is up to 12 months.

Targeted larger leverage grants up to $50,000 are available for projects that focus on strengthening the digital skills, confidence and safety of adults enabling them to get online, build social connections, and access services, information, education and employment through training, as well as acquiring the digital and connectivity infrastructure where needed. The timeframe to deliver these projects is up to 18 months.

Limitations

Eligibility

To apply, you must meet the following criteria:

- Applicant organisations must be a not-for-profit organisation with either an Incorporation Certificate and/or an ABN. If you are unsure if your organisation is a registered not-for-profit (e.g. if you are a Co-operative, Other Unincorporated Entity, Public Company or Trust), please contact FRRR;
- There are two streams of funding available within the Strengthening Rural Communities (SRC) Program: Small & Vital and Prepare & Recover. Organisations may submit their application in one of these streams per SRC grant round, and any other applications in this round will be considered ineligible;
- Project must be for charitable purposes and offer clear public benefit;

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- Not-for-profit organisations with or without DGR-1 endorsement are eligible; and
- Projects must benefit communities in remote, rural or regional Australia.

Please note, you will be considered ineligible if:

- Application is submitted by individuals, sole traders, private or commercial businesses (as per the submitted ABN);
- Application is submitted by an organisation that is not a legal entity (i.e. a registered not-for-profit), without the written consent of the governing / partnering body who holds the ABN / Incorporation Certificate;
- Application is submitted without required financial information (see below);
- Final report/s from any FRRR grants awarded in the previous seven years have not been acquitted (delivery organisations should check with legal organisation to see if there are any outstanding final reports);
- Application is for a project or activity that has already occurred / is occurring prior to the announcement of funding; or
- Application is incomplete.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G08911/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G08911/guidelines
Email: info@frrr.org.au **Phone:** 1800 170 020

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Sustainability Loan - Commercial fisher

Funding Provider
Queensland Rural and Industry Development Authority (QRIDA)

Location
QLD

Funding Type
Low Or No-interest Loan G07702

Primary Category
Rural and regional

Eligible to
Business

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Sustainability Loans provide you with finance up to $1,300,000 to cover capital costs to achieve a more productive and sustainable commercial wild-catch fishing enterprise.

Overview

You can use a Sustainability Loans to:

- install catch and other equipment to improve environmental outcomes, help improve the Great Barrier Reef and reduce net carbon emissions
- invest in equipment and measures to better prepare for disaster and support biosecurity efforts
- upgrade, replace or modify equipment, engines or machinery
- implement supply chain initiatives including investing in cold storage facilities or processing facilities
- purchase a new vessel or support employment growth and private sector investment
- purchase additional fishing licences and effort units.

View the current variable and fixed interest rates here.

QRIDA will assess applications for the 2025-26 financial year in the date order they are received complete up to 30 June 2026 or until available scheme lending has been fully committed.

Security must be provided commensurate with the amount of the loan.

Limitations

Eligibility

To be eligible for a Sustainability Loan at least one person in your commercial wild-catch fishing business needs to be a commercial wild-catch fisher.

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You are also required to:

- have operated your commercial wild-catch fishing business for at least two years
- have sound prospects for commercial viability and the ability to service the loan in the long term

For purposes related to financial sustainability you are required to demonstrate:

- concessional finance is needed to secure sound prospects for success in the long term ; and
- the proposal is not simply expanding an already financially sound commercial wild-catchfishing business.

For purposes related to natural resource sustainability or fishing system sustainability:

- you should demonstrate the commercial wild-catchfishing business is not in a financial position to readily support the proposal from cash resources, or a ready capability to service increased commercial lending.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Mail, Email
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G07702/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G07702/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G07702/apply
Email: contact_us@qrida.qld.gov.au **Phone:** 1800 623 946

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Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Knowledge Systems Prize

Funding Provider
Department of Industry, Science and Resources

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Award A00849

Primary Category
Science and technology

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
$250,000

Rounds
Closes **18 Dec 2026**

Purpose

The award honours Indigenous-led projects that benefit communities and solve significant challenges.

Overview

The Prime Minister's Prizes for Science are Australia's most prestigious and highly regarded awards for achievements in:

- scientific research and research-based innovation
- the practice of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander knowledge systems
- excellence in science teaching.

The Prime Minister's Prizes for Science will award up to $1.4 million each year for achievements across 3 prize categories. The Knowledge Systems Prize celebrates Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander-led projects that benefit Australian Indigenous peoples, communities or place, and contribute to solving a significant challenge through the practice and preservation of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander knowledge systems.

We welcome nominations of diverse candidates and those from a different range of backgrounds and geographical regions.

There are 3 nomination types available for this prize: Individual; Team; and Community Groups.

The prize recipient receives a medallion, lapel pin, award certificate and prize money. Where we award the prize to a team, each member will receive a medallion, lapel pin, award certificate and an equal portion of the prize money. Where we award the prize to a community group (up to 4 representatives), the group will receive a medallion, lapel pin, award certificate and the prize money will be awarded to the community group.

Limitations

To be eligible for a Knowledge Systems Prize, nominees must:

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- be an Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander person
- be an individual, a member of an Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander-led team (including family groups), or a representative of a community group (see glossary in the guidelines)
- be an Australian citizen or permanent resident of Australia
- not be self-nominated
- not be nominated in more than one prize category. Where a nominee is nominated in more than one category, we will ask the nominee to select a single nomination to pursue. This will occur at Stage 1
- practice knowledge systems as part of a project with a demonstrable benefit to Australian Indigenous peoples, communities and/or place and to Australia more broadly.

Where a nomination is for a team or a community group, up to 4 nominees may be named per nomination. All nominees must be Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander. For nominations of community groups, the selected nominees will be representatives for the whole community group.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/A00849/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/A00849/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/A00849/apply
Website: https://www.business.gov.au/contact-us **Phone:** 13 28 46

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Australia and Pacific Science Foundation (APSF) Research Grants

Funding Provider
Australia and Pacific Science Foundation (APSF)

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G18731

Primary Category
Science and technology

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- University
- Business

Funding
$20,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Opens **26 Jan 2026** Closes **13 Mar 2026**

Purpose

The APSF supports high quality biological or biophysical research by scientists in Australian institutions, and similar institutions in other countries of the South west Pacific.

Overview

The Foundation typically provides project grants up to A$20,000 (ex GST) per year for up to three years, which are awarded exclusively for activities within the South West Pacific region. Occasional support may be given to capacity building activities, such as training.

Grants are made in annual instalments, and payments are dependent upon the receipt of satisfactory annual reports and financial statements. An additional progress report is required six months after the start of the project.

Limitations

Eligibility

- The project will be undertaken within Australia or other countries of the South West Pacific region under the umbrella of a university or other appropriate institution within those countries.
- The project is in the biological or biophysical sciences or has application in those areas, as exemplified in projects described on this web site, and is not medical research.
- Projects that seem likely to lead to improved systems of managing land, water, plants and animals in ways which will enhance the productivity and quality of food, fisheries, plants and forests, while simultaneously conserving the natural environment, preserving biodiversity, avoiding pollution of soils and water, and enhancing human welfare are particularly favoured.

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- Capacity building in developing countries within the Pacific region is also a priority of the Foundation, which may necessitate greater weight being given to the input of students.
- The project must form an identifiable element of work that would not be undertaken without the support of the Foundation. If the project is a sub-project of a larger investigation, it must be sufficiently discrete for the outputs and outcomes to be independently evaluated. Projects that may be seminal to subsequent larger grants from other sources are attractive to the Foundation.
- Project leaders may submit only one application to each round and may not hold more than one grant concurrently. Applications from students as project leaders are not accepted.
- Project leaders are expected to devote an appropriate amount of time to projects supported by the Foundation.
- Funding is limited to no more than three years and A$15,000 (ex GST) annually. Salaries of technicians and research assistants may be supported, but grants do not cover the salaries of scientific research staff or stipends of students.
- Administrative costs are not funded, but APSF grants may be assessed by Australian Universities as Category 1 Australian Competitive Grant Income.
- The components of the project budget for which funds are sought from the Foundation must be justified — both travel and equipment for which funding is sought must be essential for this project.
- The Foundation does not fund costs associated with attendance at conferences, either domestic or international. Publication costs levied by scientific journals are not supported by the Foundation.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G18731/info

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G18731/apply
Address:
Website: http://www.apscience.org.au/contact-us/ **Email:** grants@apscience.org.au **Phone:** 0418 517 001

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Driving the Nation Program

Funding Provider
Australian Renewable Energy Agency (ARENA)

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G17122

Primary Category
Science and technology

Eligible to
- Business
- Local Govt

Funding
$500,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

This program provides funding to enable the demonstration and deployment of new zero emissions vehicle technologies.

Overview

The program objectives are to:

- overcome barriers to accelerate the uptake of ZEVs by fleets
- optimise the integration of battery electric vehicles (BEVs) into the grid
- demonstrate new use cases for ZEVs
- increase skills, capacity and knowledge relevant to ZEV technologies.

Focus Areas - Trucks, Charging and Innovation (Open)

Opened in November 2024, ARENA allocated $100 million towards the Focus Areas aiming to support demonstration and deployment of heavy vehicles, charging solutions and other innovation supporting uptake of BEVs. The Focus Areas include:

1. Demonstration and deployment of heavy BEVs
2. Deployment of charging solutions to accelerate the adoption of heavy BEVs
3. Supporting other innovation to accelerate the uptake of BEVs.

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ARENANet will open to applications for these Focus Areas in mid-November. Please reach out to ARENA through the transport@arena.gov.au inbox to initiate discussions regarding potential projects.

Focus Areas - Innovation in Charging (Closed)

Applications under the previous Focus Areas (Innovation in Charging) have now closed. If you were intending to submit under the previous Focus Areas, please get in contact with ARENA. ARENA intends to continue to support innovation in public and managed charging through Focus Area 3.

How to apply

Prior to submitting an Expression of Interest, ensure you have engaged with the funder by emailing transport@arena.gov.au

1. Navigate to and create an account with ARENANet
2. Scroll to the Driving the Nation Program section of the program options when commencing your expression of interest application. Select the Focus Area you are applying under.
3. Select the two-stage process unless you have received an exemption from us for a one-stage Full Application. Refer to the submission type guidance on this page.
4. Submit the following attachments with your application:
    1. Expression of Interest: Applicants submitting an expression of interest are required to submit a project plan.
    2. Full Application

Limitations

Eligibility

To be eligible, applicants must:

- hold an Australian business number (ABN) at the time of application and throughout project life
- be either an incorporated Australian entity, state owned corporation or subsidiary, or Australian local government or council.

Projects must:

- involve renewable energy technology with the potential to contribute to the program objectives
- source renewable energy or green certificates to cover energy usage for ZEVs or use sustainable biofuels or renewable hydrogen
- include demonstration or deployment of equipment and / or technology solutions
- take place in Australia
- comply with requirements specified in the program guidelines relating to intellectual property, gender equality, modern slavery and knowledge sharing.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online, Email
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G17122/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G17122/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G17122/apply
Email: transport@arena.gov.au **Phone:** 1800 804 838

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Electric vehicle fast charging grants

Funding Provider
Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water (DCCEEW) (NSW)

Location
NSW

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19741

Primary Category
Science and technology

Eligible to
- State Govt
- Business

Funding
$20,000,000
Total Pool: $39,000,000

Rounds
Closes **24 Apr 2026**

Purpose

Funding is now available to help deliver new fast-charging stations across metropolitan and regional NSW.

Overview

The EV fast charging grants program has funded 184 charging stations. In round 4, an additional 104 eligible zones are open for funding. This will ensure that fast charging stations are no more than 100 km apart on major roads and highways across NSW.

As a key action under the NSW Electric Vehicle Strategy, the program is helping to make EV ownership more convenient, accessible and reliable for all drivers.

After the success of the first 3 rounds of the program, some objectives have been updated to better reflect the program's focus and ensure the next phase continues to deliver meaningful outcomes for NSW drivers, industry and communities.

Round 4 introduces several key changes from earlier rounds, including:

- simplified funding streams (metropolitan, regional and remote)
- revised co-funding caps and technical requirements
- new operational expenditure (OPEX) support for remote stations
- updated milestone payment structure
- additional funding for pull-through and extra bays.

Limitations

pplicants must be either:

- incorporated under the Corporations Act 2001; or
- a state-owned corporation or subsidiary; or

Applicants must also:

- hold a current Australian Business Number (ABN)
- have current public liability insurance (minimum $20 million) and workers compensation insurance
- meet all eligibility criteria outlined in the Round 4 funding guidelines.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19741/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19741/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19741/apply
Email: electric.vehicles@environment.nsw.gov.au

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IT Managed Service Provider Assessment

Funding Provider
Dog & Bone

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Pro Bono Services U00736

Primary Category
Science and technology

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Local Govt

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Eligible participants will get an independent view of how their MSP is performing, giving them the confidence to make informed decisions.

Overview

Eligible survey participants receive a customised assessment of their MSP at the conclusion of the round, created by our expert team. It covers 4 key performance measures - Alignment, Governance, Technology and Cost, and will give you actionable advice to improve your IT operations. All information is confidential between the participant and Dog and Bone.

What's on offer:

- Survey & Assessment - Assessments valued at $995 are emailed to eligible participants at the conclusion of the Impact Round.
- 1-Hour Pro Bono Consultation - Selected participants are offered a 1-hour pro bono Q & A session via MS Teams to discuss the assessment.
- In-person Group Workshop - Selected participants can attend an in-person workshop to share experiences and learn from peers and experts.
- Pro Bono Scoped Project - A pro bono scoped project is awarded to 1 eligible participant to put into action some of the findings from the assessment.

Limitations

Eligibility criteria:

- You must be a registered charity, local government agency or healthcare provider
- You must employ at least 15 permanent staff, full or part-time
- You must make monthly payments to an IT managed service provider.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00736/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00736/apply
Email: info@dogandbone.com.au

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Joint Strike Fighter Industry Support Program Sustainment Grants

Funding Provider
Department of Defence

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G13244

Primary Category
Science and technology

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- University
- Business

Funding
Amount: $50,000 (approx) to $250,000 (approx)
Total Pool: $60,000,000

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

This grant opportunity is to support Assigned-Product Support Providers (A-PSPs) to develop and implement their approved Depot Maintenance Activation Plan (DMAP).

Limitations

Eligibility

To be eligible you must:

- be an Assigned-Product Support Provider (A-PSP) developing and/or implementing a Depot Maintenance Activation Plan (DMAP)
- have an Australian business number (ABN)
- be registered for the Goods and Services Tax (GST)

You must be one of the following entities:

- an entity, incorporated in Australia
- an incorporated trustee on behalf of a trust

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G13244/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G13244/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G13244/apply
Email: enquiries@industry.gov.au **Phone:** 132846

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NSSN Grand Challenge Fund

Funding Provider
NSW Smart Sensing Network (NSSN)

Location
NSW

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19319

Primary Category
Science and technology

Eligible to
- Individual

Funding
Amount: $30,000 to $100,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **24 Feb 2026 5:00PM (AEDT)**

Purpose

The NSSN Grand Challenge Fund has been established to promote the development of innovative, collaborative research projects that respond to the NSSN Priority Themes.

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Overview

Grants of up to $100,000 per project support the development of projects that link with industry or government partners and devise a smart sensing solution that has a defined pathway to genuine impact, either through commercialisation or operationalisation.

Limitations

The fund is open to researchers at the seven member universities of the NSSN.

To be eligible, funding proposals must meet the following eligibility criteria:

- Leadership: be led by an NSSN member university
- Collaboration: involve a minimum of two NSSN member universities (incl. the lead)
- Partnership: partner with at least one industry or government partner
- Co-investment: attract cash co-investment from industry/government partners at least equal to the requested amount

Funding can not be used for the following purposes:

- Salaries of industry partners.
- Costs not directly related to the project.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19319/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19319/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19319/apply
Email: admin@nssn.org.au

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National Awards

Funding Provider
The Pearcey Foundation

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Award S02587

Primary Category
Science and technology

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Each year the Pearcey Foundation makes awards to outstanding individuals in the ICT sector.

Overview

Nominations can be received at any time.

There are two main categories of awards:

1. Lifetime ICT achievement and contribution - Pearcey Medal and Pearcey Hall of Fame
2. Entrepreneurial ICT achievement and contribution - Pearcey National Entrepreneur Award and the Pearcey State Awards.

These awards are presented at special events recognised in the ICT industry as "good news" occasions and attended by the most influential decision makers in the industry.

1. **Pearcey Medals for Lifetime Achievement:** The Pearcey Medal is a prestigious annual individual award that recognizes a distinguished lifetime achievement and contribution to the development and growth of the ICT industry in Australia.
2. **Pearcey Hall of Fame:** The Pearcey Hall of Fame recognises individuals who have made very significant lifetime contributions into one or more of Australia's ICT research, industry, or professional development. It is a yearly award which includes the Pearcey Medalist and up to two other individuals.

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3. **Pearcey Entrepreneur Awards:** The Pearcey National Entrepreneur Award is a special recognition annual award. This award gives prominence to one of the State Pearcey winners for inspiring leadership, scale, impact, innovation and acclaim on the world stage.
4. **National Nominations:** The Pearcey Foundation accepts nominations all year round for any of its awards. We encourage you to get in early and apply or nominate someone you know who has made a significant contribution to their industry.

Limitations

We encourage you to get in early and apply or nominate someone you know who has made a significant contribution in the ICT industry.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Email, Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S02587/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S02587/apply
Contact: The Pearcey Foundation Inc.
Email: admin@pearcey.org.au **Phone:** (03) 8646 3883

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Sir Ross and Sir Keith Smith Fund

Funding Provider
Equity Trustees

Location
SA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G16997

Primary Category
Science and technology

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The fund aims to advance aeronautics and related education in South Australia. It supports tertiary education programs, research initiatives, scholarships, fellowships, and activities promoting aerospace technology and education.

Overview

A specialist Advisory Committee helps direct funding each year which can include tertiary education or research programs, scholarships or fellowships for research, and sponsorship funds for activities which promote aerospace technology and education.

There are two streams of funding which applicants may apply for:

- Research and Development
- Scholarship & Sponsorship

Applications may be considered in the first week of March, June, September and December and must be submitted at least 30 days prior to the quarterly meetings.

Please ensure to submit your application in on time by:

- 1st February - to be considered in March quarterly meeting
- 1st May - to be considered in June quarterly meeting
- 1st August- to be considered in September quarterly meeting
- 1st November - to be considered in December quarterly meeting

Limitations

Prior to submitting your application, kindly note the following:

- Consider the objective of The Fund as listed on the website;

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- Take a look at 'Previous grants, scholarships and sponsorship' under 'The Fund', which gives you more context as to how your applications may or may not align with The Fund's objective;
- Application deadline are outlined on our website - link is saved here;
- Applications received before deadlines may be considered, subject to current funding commitment.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G16997/info
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G16997/apply
Phone: (08) 8127 1600

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Solana Foundation Grants Program

Funding Provider
Solana Foundation

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G13102

Primary Category
Science and technology

Eligible to
- TAFE
- Not-for-Profit
- School
- University
- State Govt
- Individual
- Local Govt
- Business
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Solana Foundation Grants Program provides milestone-based funding to support initiatives aimed at decentralizing, growing, and securing the Solana network.

Overview

The Solana Foundation Funding Program aims to connect builders, creators, and founders to the best source of funding for their work. This may be through the Solana Foundation or other ecosystem sources.

In the Solana ecosystem's open-source spirit, the Solana Foundation supports projects that generate public goods for the community and give other ecosystem participants the opportunity to learn from and build on your work.

The Solana Foundation primarily provides funding in the following ways:

- Milestone-based **grants** for public goods
- Milestone-based convertible grants for public goods with a commercial component
- Requests for Proposals (RFPs) for specific ideas the Foundation is looking to fund

All applications are reviewed on a rolling basis.

Limitations

While the Solana Foundation appreciates a broad diversity of ideas in grant applications, there are a few common threads that the team always looks for.

- Public Good
  We typically consider a project to be a public good if it either makes a significant open-source contribution to the Solana ecosystem, or if it has a meaningful free community offering. Depending on the circumstances, we may also consider a novel proof of concept to qualify. Projects that are primarily commercial in nature usually won't qualify for a standard grant from the Solana Foundation, and should consider a convertible grant.
- Open Source
  Not all projects require code, but they should be built in the spirit of open-sourcing your learnings for everyone to learn from. Projects should benefit the community at large, and while not all parts of the project should be open source, the usable parts should be available to all.
- Only Possible on Solana

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The proposal should make it clear why the project is building within the Solana ecosystem, as opposed to other places or other ways. Why Solana? How does the Solana protocol help the team or project achieve its goals in ways that are not possible elsewhere?

- Clear Use of Funds
  We encourage you to be thoughtful about how much you're requesting and present a clear plan for how the funding will help you accomplish your goals. Set clear, measurable funding milestones, and make sure the funding you request is correlated to the impact to the community your project is providing.

Please note that this criteria list is not exhaustive, and grant approvals are at the discretion of the Solana Foundation Capital Team.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G13102/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G13102/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G13102/apply

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Telco Cost Reduction for NFPs

Funding Provider
Dog & Bone

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Pro Bono Services U00616

Primary Category
Science and technology

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- State Govt

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Impact Program provides pro bono services to help not-for-profits make the most of their technology and maximise their impact.

Overview

Wanting to invest in technology, but struggling to fund it? While it 's not super exciting, one of the most effective ways for an NFP to fund new IT capability, is to optimise their telco spend.

Dog and Bone are always looking for ways to widen their impact, which is why their team of experts created the Telco Cost Analysis report - an initiative designed to offer NFP organisations opportunities for significant telco cost reductions and optimised services.

Dog and Bone are offering a limited number (5 per month) of pro bono Telco Cost Analysis reports to selected NFP organisations.

Limitations

Important application information:

- A limited number of free reports are being offered
- You must be a registered charity with the ACNC, local government agency or healthcare provider
- You must be able to provide our consultants with a copy of a recent mobile phone bill

Typically these reports are most useful for organisations with over 50 mobile phone services.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00616/info
Email: info@dogandbone.com.au

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ACT Social Enterprise Grant Program

Funding Provider
The Mill House

Location
ACT

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19830

Primary Category
Social enterprise

Eligible to
Business

Funding
Amount: $10,000 to $30,000
Total Pool: $250,000

Rounds
Closes **11 Feb 2026**

Purpose

The ACT Social Enterprise Grant Program offers eligible early stage social entrepreneurs and startups matched-funded grants between $10,000 $30,000 to kick-start their impact journey.

Overview

The Mill House Ventures has partnered with the ACT Government to administer the Social Enterprise Grant Program and provide matched funding between $10,000 and $30,000. The program is a competitive grant program, targeted at start-up social enterprises to address the market gap in funding between pre-revenue (seed) grant programs and the philanthropic, sponsorship and venture capital funding opportunities available to a scaleup social enterprise.

The Program aims to achieve the following objectives:

- encourage growth and maturation of the local social enterprise ecosystem;
- encourage ideation of new social entrepreneurs and attract new social entrepreneurs to the region;
- strengthen and enhance the positioning of Canberra as a social innovation and entrepreneurial hub; and
- address systemic gaps in the ACT's social innovation ecosystem.

Grant recipients must provide matched funding towards the project (Matching Contribution). This can be in the form of a cash contribution and/or the in-kind contribution of the time that the grant recipient's team spends working on the project.

The Matching Contribution must be a minimum of 50 per cent of the project total. For example, if you receive a grant of $20,000 you must contribute a minimum of $20,000 in cash/in-kind towards the project for a total project cost of $40,000.

A social enterprise must be able to demonstrate that they have sufficient cash and/or in-kind support to commence and complete the project.

Limitations

Any social enterprise applying for funding under the Program must:

- have an Australian Business Number (ABN) prior to application and be registered for Goods and Services Tax (GST) if applicable;
- be pre-revenue or be turning over less than $500,000 in annual revenue;
- have its registered office and principal place of business in the Australian Capital Territory (ACT) or have its business primarily focussed (or operating) in the ACT; and
- meet the programs definition of a Social Enterprise.

The following are not eligible to apply:

- government Business Entities (either Australian or foreign);
- national-level industry associations or groups (membership or non-membership);
- an individual or entity that has already received funding under this program; and
- any organisation that cannot meet the General eligibility criteria

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Phone, Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19830/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19830/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19830/apply
Email: clinic@millhouseventures.com.au

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Social Enterprise Loan Fund (SELF)

Funding Provider
White Box Enterprises

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Low Or No-interest Loan U00609

Primary Category
Social enterprise

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Business

Funding
Amount: $100,000 to $500,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

SELF aims to help you grow your social enterprise and provide meaningful work opportunities for people who face complex barriers to employment.

Overview

Whether you're looking to expand your team, invest in new equipment, or scale operations, the SELF provides financing designed to meet you where you are -- the right capital at the right time.

- **Loan amounts**: Can range from $100,000 to $500,000
- **Interest rates**: Starting as low as 6.5%, with the potential for impact-based interest reduction if social impact milestones are achieved (e.g. job creation, community benefits) reducing to an effective rate of 6% over the life of the loan.
- **Loan terms**: Up to 7 years
- **Repayment flexibility**: While most loans are expected to start repayments from day one, schedules may be customised to align with your social enterprise's needs if appropriate.
- **Security**: SELF loans do not have to be secured but if collateral is available we request it is provided as security. Future contracts or trading turnover will be considered collateral when no other security exists. The goal is to provide flexible financing that aligns with the unique needs of each social enterprise.

Limitations

To be eligible for a SELF loan, your social enterprise must:

- Be a not-for-profit (or an Indigenous business) with deductible gift recipient (DGR) status.
- Have been operating as a social enterprise for at least two years and generate over 50% of your income from trade.
- Have evidence of revenues generated from trading activities of at least $50,000 per annum in the last financial year.
- Be registered and operating in Australia.
- Be either:
    - Social Traders certified
    - People and Planet First verified
    - Supply Nation registered
    - A member of your state's peak social enterprise body
    - Have registered your interest with the relevant body for certification.
- Pay full award wages.
- Create jobs for people facing complex barriers to employment.
- Primarily employ and support individuals from at least one of these groups:
    - Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people
    - Adults aged 65 and over
    - Migrants, refugees, or asylum seekers
    - People from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds
    - Residents in rural, regional, or remote communities
    - People with disabilities
    - Individuals with recent or current experience of homelessness
    - Youth (aged 15 to under 25)
    - Other individuals with documented experiences of disadvantage not listed here
- Be able to demonstrate employment and support for people experiencing barriers to work through:
    - Independent evaluations

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- Participation in government programs (e.g., Skilling Queenslanders for Work, Disability Employment Services)
- De-identified data on employees (e.g., numbers of employees from target cohorts, residence locations)
- Qualitative or photographic evidence of employment and support initiatives

- Provide past and projected financial statements if available.
- Present a clear plan for how the loan will be used and the expected social and financial impact.
- Have a management team with strong dedication to the social mission and relevant experience.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00609/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00609/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00609/apply
Email: info@whiteboxenterprises.com.au

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Active Regional Communities Grants

Funding Provider
Department of Creative Industries, Tourism and Sport (WA)

Location
WA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G08070

Primary Category
Sport and recreation

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Business
- Local Govt

Funding
$5,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Active Regional Communities (ARC) aims to increase the opportunities for regional people to participate in sporting and active recreational activities in regional Western Australia and is tailored to meet the ever changing demands and challenges of sport and active-recreation groups within the nine diverse regions of Western Australia.

Overview

Amounts available

1. **Event Hosting:** Grants up to $5000
2. **Capacity Building**: Grants up to $5000
3. **Participation**: Grants up to $5000

To discuss your event, competition or sport development opportunity concept or to obtain assistance to complete your application, please contact your regional office.

How to apply

- Read the guidelines.
- Make contact with the local department regional office to discuss which grants are suitable to your specific project idea.
- Complete the application form and submit to your nearest department office.
- Applications are accepted throughout the year and must be lodged at least eight weeks prior to the project or event start date. All supporting documentation is required with each application.
- Applications will be called for on a quarterly basis to encourage planning and application preparation and submission in a timely manner.
- Organisations can only apply once per year in any one category.
- The department will process the application and may seek clarification if deemed necessary before making recommendation.
- Notification of application outcome occurs within six weeks of receiving your final application.

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Limitations

Who can apply?

- State Sporting Associations (SSAs) that oversee regional operations or are representing a local club or association;
- Regional sporting, club or active recreation organisations recognised as the industry regional representative body;
- Not-for-profit community organisations involved in the conduct of sport or physically active recreation;
- Other community not-for-profit community organisations; and
- In the absence of a suitable sport or recreation organisation, a local government is eligible to apply.

Who cannot apply?

Organisations not eligible include individuals, groups of individuals, organisations seeking funds for metropolitan based programs, State Government departments and agencies and educational institutions including schools, universities and TAFE colleges, commercial entities, organisations already receiving funds via Regional Organisation Grants or Regional Servicing Grants and unincorporated bodies.

What you must have to be eligible to apply?

- Be incorporated under the Associations Incorporation Act 2015 (WA) with an Australian Business Number (ABN) or Indigenous organisations under Corporations (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander) Act 2006 (CATSI);
- Be affiliated where appropriate with a State Sporting Association or Industry Representative Organisation recognised by Sport and Recreation (WA);
- Have acquitted all previous Sport and Recreation (WA) grants prior to the application being submitted unless the grant is still current; and
- Projects are not to commence before approval has been granted by the Sport and Recreation (WA). No retrospective funding will be considered.

Funding may be used for:

- Running of programs – (payment of staff and coaches will not be considered when program activities fall within their normal duties)
- Coaching clinics
- Volunteer training
- Project or program administration (no more than 10% of total funding)
- Coaching accreditation courses
- Referee or umpire accreditation courses
- Equipment (approved, integral to the project or program, remains the property of the organisation and funded up to 30%).

Funding may not be used for:

- Construction of sport or recreation facilities
- Projects undertaken outside of Western Australia
- Additional funds or recurring funds for a project already funded by a Sport and Recreation (WA) grant program
- Prize money or trophies
- Merchandise (e.g. clothing, water bottles, mugs, key rings, etc.)
- One off camps and events – regular activities over a period of time are preferred
- Individual membership fees
- Catering costs.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Mail, Email, Phone
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G08070/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G08070/guidelines
Website: https://www.dsr.wa.gov.au/contact-us/sport-and-recreation-wa **Phone:** 08 9492 9700

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Bowls Disaster Relief Fund

Funding Provider
Bowls Australia

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G17680

Primary Category
Sport and recreation

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
$3,000

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Applications for the Bowls Disaster Relief Fund are open for clubs who have been affected by recent natural disasters.

Overview

With natural disasters regularly threatening Australia, clubs will be able to access the funds via an application process through Bowls Australia, with 100% of all sums to be redirected to those clubs in need. Clubs can apply for up to $3,000 which will be assessed by Bowls Australia, depending on the circumstances and the details contained within the application.

Funding Categories:

- Restoring social networks and functioning
    - Funding can be used to hold a community event or social activity, keep communities informed, record the disaster event as part of local history, or to develop skills and networks that build capacity for the future.
- Restoring community facilities
    - Funding can be used to repair or reinstate the structure of a damaged facility, or to repair or replace damaged fittings and equipment integral to the function of a facility.
- Replenishing loss of equipment
    - Funding can be used to replace bowls equipment lost or damaged during the natural disaster.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G17680/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G17680/guidelines
Email: admin@bowls.com.au **Phone:** 03 9480 7100

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Club Participation Program

Funding Providers
Football Victoria (FV)
Transport Accident Commission (VIC)
Basketball Victoria
Cricket Victoria

Location
VIC

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19806

Primary Category
Sport and recreation

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
Amount: $1,000 to $5,000

Rounds
Closes **31 Mar 2026**

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Purpose

The TAC Club Participation Program is a new initiative for all Cricket Victoria, Basketball Victoria and Football Victoria affiliated clubs and associations to actively participate in the mission to make our roads safer, with a key focus on tackling speeding.

Overview

The funder is asking clubs and associations of all sizes to encourage their members to create a culture of road safety.

By building a road safety culture in and around your club and submitting an application, you could win for your club, a share in a total prize pool.

The TAC Club Participation Program allows for many engagement opportunities including via social posts, printed collateral, physical merchandise and our key initiatives, TAC Slo-Mo and Road Safety Round.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19806/info
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19806/apply
Email: askus@tac.vic.gov.au

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Country Football and Netball Program

Funding Providers
AFL Victoria
AFL
Sport and Recreation Victoria
Department of Jobs, Skills, Industry and Regions (DJSIR) (VIC)
Netball Victoria

Location
VIC

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19134

Primary Category
Sport and recreation

Eligible to
Local Govt

Funding
$250,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **26 Feb 2026**

Purpose

Delivered in partnership with the AFL, AFL Victoria and Netball Victoria, the Country Football and Netball Program provides funding to assist regional football and netball clubs, associations and umpiring organisations to upgrade and develop facilities in rural, regional and outer metropolitan locations.

Overview

Examples of projects eligible for funding include:

- developing new, or redeveloping existing change rooms and pavilions to increase capacity, inclusion and safety
- developing new, or redeveloping existing sports ovals and courts to increase capacity, inclusion and safety
- sports lighting that improves capacity, inclusion and safety. Lighting projects may include installing new LED lighting infrastructure, or replacing non-LED lighting with LED lamps to meet lighting standards
- projects that result in energy or water efficiency, with a direct impact on participation, such as warm-season grass conversions
- projects that benefit multi-use outcomes where football or netball is the primary beneficiary.

The program reflects the Department of Jobs, Skills, Industry and Regions' (DJSIR) priorities to ensure the state's economy benefits all Victorians by creating more jobs for more people, building thriving places and regions, and nurturing inclusive communities.

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Limitations

Only Victorian Local Government Authorities (LGAs) are eligible to apply directly to the Program, limited to:

- rural and regional LGAs
- interface LGAs for facilities used by teams participating in leagues that are affiliated with an AFL Victoria Country League or a Netball Victoria Regional League or for facilities in areas where rurality can be demonstrated
- Frankston, Greater Dandenong and Kingston LGAs for facilities used by teams participating in an AFL Victoria Country League.

Applications must be submitted by an authorised representative of an LGA.

Applications received directly from clubs, associations, umpiring organisations, schools, community organisations and businesses will not be considered for funding.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19134/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19134/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19134/apply
Email: communityinfrastructure@sport.vic.gov.au **Phone:** 1800 325 206

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Emergency Sporting Equipment Grant Program

Funding Provider
Sport and Recreation Victoria

Location
VIC

Funding Type
Cash Grant G18216

Primary Category
Sport and recreation

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
$2,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **31 May 2026**

Purpose

The Emergency Sporting Equipment Grant program provides funding for community sport and active recreation organisations across Victoria.

Overview

Grants of up to $2,000 are available for incidents that occur from 1 June 2025 to 31 May 2026.

Eligible incidents Natural disaster

- Bushfire
- Flood
- Significant storm
- Earthquake.

Criminal activity
- Theft
- Arson
- Criminal damage.

Limitations

Who can apply?

Applicants must be:

- A community sport or active recreation organisation operating in Victoria.
- Not-for-profit and non-government.
- Delivering a sport or activity that is a person-centric physical activity.

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- Registered and operating in Victoria as one of the following eligible legal entities:
    - an incorporated association
    - a company limited by guarantee, or
    - an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander corporation.

Applicants may nominate an auspice organisation.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G18216/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G18216/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G18216/apply
Address:
Email: srvgrants@sport.vic.gov.au **Phone:** 1800 325 206

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Junior Travel Assistance Program

Funding Provider
Department of State Growth (TAS)

Location
TAS

Funding Type
Cash Grant G15810

Primary Category
Sport and recreation

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$200
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Junior Travel Assistance Program (JTAP) provides financial assistance to help alleviate the costs of competing in national sporting championships.

Overview

Funding will be available for Tasmanians aged 12-18 years selected to travel interstate for the purpose of representing Tasmania in a National Sporting Championship.

The programs objective is to provide financial assistance to young athletes, selected to attend national events to enhance sport development pathways for young Tasmanians.

The maximum funding limit is $200 per championship and a maximum of $200 per athlete per financial year. Please note close date for applications is 30 June 2026 or when the available funding has been exhausted.

Limitations

Eligibility criteria

To be eligible for JTAP, applicants must meet the following criteria at the time of application:

- Have been selected to compete at an eligible Australian National Sports Championship to be held in Australia (outside Tasmania) on or after 1 July 2025. Further information on eligible events is in section 3.2.
- Be competing in a championship that has been registered by the relevant state or national organisation and is listed as an eligible event on the Active Tasmania website.
- Have their selection/attendance at the championship confirmed by the relevant State/National sporting organisation, event selector, or the Tasmanian Institute of Sport.
- Be a current resident of Tasmania.
- Be aged 12 to 18 years during the calendar year of the championship.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G15810/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G15810/guidelines

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Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G15810/apply
Email: grants@active.tas.gov.au **Phone:** 1800 252 476

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KidSport Vouchers

Funding Provider
Department of Creative Industries, Tourism and Sport (WA)

Location
WA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G10468

Primary Category
Sport and recreation

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$300
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The primary objective of the KidSport Voucher Program is to reduce the financial barrier of participation in community sport for low-income families.

Overview

The KidSport Voucher Program is an initiative of the Western Australian State Government to support children aged 5 to 18 years of age (inclusive) from low-income families and at-risk groups to participate in community sport. The KidSport Voucher Program subsidises participation costs by providing $300 per financial year to each eligible child to join a KidSport Club.

The KidSport Voucher Program is administered by the Department of Creative Industries, Tourism and Sport (CITS) with the support of Western Australian Local Government Authorities.

Limitations

To be eligible for a KidSport voucher the child must be:

- aged 5 to 18 years inclusive at the time of application; and
- residing in Western Australia; and
- named on a parent's or guardian's valid Services Australia Health Care Card or Pensioner Concession Card, with the child's unique Customer Reference Number (CRN) visible; or
- Named on their own valid Services Australia Health Care Card or Pensioner Concession Card, with their own unique Customer Reference Number (CRN) listed on the card.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G10468/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G10468/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G10468/apply
Email: kidsport@dlgsc.wa.gov.au **Phone:** 08 9492 9911

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Lead Your Way

Funding Provider
AFL Victoria

Location
VIC

Funding Type
In-kind Contribution U00764

Primary Category
Sport and recreation

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
Total Pool: Unknown

Rounds
Closes **30 Jan 2026**

Purpose

Lead Your Way is designed to strengthen the leadership capabilities of women and gender-diverse individuals through a dynamic series of development and networking events.

Overview

Lead Your Way is an annual program that gives women and gender-diverse people volunteering in community football leadership the opportunity to level up their skills and network.

The program seeks a diverse cohort to ensure an intersectional approach to leadership within club communities, and to support the goals of inclusive and diverse environments as included in the AFL Women and Girls Action plan. This includes but is not limited to people identifying as:

- Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander.
- Culturally and/or religiously diverse people.
- LGBTIQA+
- People from rural and regional communities.
- People with disabilities

From webinars to workshops, and some fantastic networking events including our program celebration - this is your ticket to upping your game, expanding your network, and kicking goals at your club.

Limitations

To participate in the program, you must:

- Identify as a women or gender diverse.
- Be over the age of 18.
- Hold a current leadership position as a committee volunteer within a Community Football Club.
- Must apply for the program with which state you reside in and club is associated to

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00764/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00764/apply

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Learn to Swim Voucher (Activity Providers)

Funding Provider
Department of Children and Families (NT)

Location
NT

Funding Type
In-kind Contribution U00136

Primary Category
Sport and recreation

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- University
- Individual
- Local Govt
- Business

Funding
Undisclosed
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **1 May 2026 12:25 AM (ACST)**

Last Round
Closed **1 Jul 2025**

Purpose

Sole traders, clubs and organisations can apply to become a registered swim provider for the Learn to Swim Program Registered providers can receive vouchers of up to $200 for every child registered with the Learn to Swim program.

Overview

Before you apply to become an activity provider you must have all of the following:

- current public liability insurance for no less than $10 million for any single event
- working with children clearances - for you and anyone else involved in delivering programs, including your committee members
- a current Member Protection Policy to demonstrate your awareness and application of obligations relating to the Northern Territory Care and Protection of Children Act 2007, in particular with regards to mandatory reporting; and
- AUSTSWIM certification

Support materials and a Member Protection Policy template can be found at playbytherules.net.au

Limitations

Eligibility

Activity Providers can register for the scheme at grantsnt.gov.au.au, subject to complying with the following criteria:

- eligible under the policy definitions;
- hold current public liability insurance for not less than $10 million for any single event;
- compliant with Licensing NT, Department of the Attorney-General and Justice and/or other relevant authorities;
- based in and operating from the NT;
- activities are structured, value for money and costings are reasonable;
- demonstrated an awareness and application of obligations relating the Northern Territory Care and Protection of Children Act 2007, in particular with regards to mandatory reporting. A suitable Member Protection Policy as an example;
- ensure that relevant staff and volunteers (including committee members) delivering services under the scheme have a valid Working with Children Clearance; and
- have in place a current Member Protection Policy and a designated Member Protection Information Officer appointed. Note: The Play by the Rules project is a collaboration between Sport Integrity Australia, Sport Australia, Australian Human Rights Commission, all state and territory departments of sport and recreation, all state and territory anti-discrimination and human rights agencies, the Office of the Children's Guardian (NSW) and the Anti-Discrimination Board of NSW. These partners promote Play by the Rules through their networks, along with their own child safety, antidiscrimination and inclusion programs. Support materials and a Member Protection Policy template can be found at playbytherules.net.au.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00136/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00136/guidelines
Email: sport.voucher@nt.gov.au **Phone:** 1800 817 860

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Learn to Swim Voucher Scheme

Funding Provider
Department of People, Sport and Culture (NT)

Location
NT

Funding Type
In-kind Contribution U00663

Primary Category
Sport and recreation

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$200
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **1 Jan 2026 1:25AM (ACST)**

Purpose

If your child is under 5 years old and not enrolled in school, you can apply for the Learn to Swim program in the Northern Territory (NT).

Overview

Parents and carers of children under five years old who are not enrolled in Transition or school can apply for two $100 Learn to Swim vouchers each year - one in January and one in July - to help cover the cost of swimming lessons with a registered provider in the Northern Territory. Children are eligible for a maximum of two $100 vouchers (either Learn to Swim or Sport Voucher) per financial year.

Parents and carers of children under five years old who are not enrolled in Transition or school can apply for two $100 Learn to Swim vouchers each year - one in January and one in July - to help cover the cost of swimming lessons with a registered provider in the Northern Territory. Children are eligible for a maximum of two $100 vouchers (either Learn to Swim or Sport Voucher) per financial year.

Applications are now open for Learn to Swim - Semester 2 - July to December 2025

Limitations

Eligibility

To get a Learn to Swim voucher, your child must be all of the following:

- a resident of the NT
- under 5 years old
- not enrolled in transition or school.

You can only get one voucher in a semester - either a Learn to Swim voucher or a sport voucher.

If you already have a sports voucher, you can use it instead to enrol your child in swimming lessons.

You can only use the Learn to Swim vouchers for swimming lessons with a registered swim activity provider.

You can't use it for any of the following:

- to buy items such as bathers, goggles, swimming equipment or toys
- lessons that have already taken place
- swimming pool entry fees
- to trade for cash.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00663/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00663/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00663/apply
Email: sport.voucherscheme@nt.gov.au **Phone:** 1800 817 860

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Local Para Champions

Funding Providers
Australian Sports Commission
Australian Institute of Sport (AIS)

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G16350

Primary Category
Sport and recreation

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
Amount: $750 to $1,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Local Para Champions program provides financial assistance for coaches, officials and competitors aged 12-24 participating in state, national or international championships for athletes with a disability.

Overview

If successful, applicants will receive $750-$1000 towards the cost of attending their championships

- Base Grant: **$750**
- Applicants travelling 800km - 1999km to their nominated championships: **+ $100**
- Applicants travelling internationally or greater than 2000km to their nominated championships: **+ $200**
- Applicants residing in a rural electorate: **+ $50**

Opening and closing dates and times:

- Round 1, 2025-26 Applications: Open: 12am AEST on Thursday 1 May 2025 Close: 11.59pm AEST on Thursday 31 July 2025
- Round 2, 2025-26 Applications: Open: 12am AEST on Friday 1 August 2025 Close: 11.59pm AEDT on Friday 31 October 2025
- Round 3, 2025-26 Applications: Open: 12am AEDT on Saturday 1 November 2025 Close: 11.59pm AEDT on Saturday 31 January 2026
- Round 4, 2025-26 Applications: Open: 12am AEDT on Sunday 1 February 2026 Close: 11.59pm AEST on Thursday 30 April 2026

Limitations

Applicants must meet the following criteria:

- Be turning 12 to 18 years of age in the same calendar year as the nominated championships. Be an Australian citizen or have been granted permanent resident status, residing in Australia.
- Be participating as an athlete, coach, or match official in:
    - an official state championship endorsed by the relevant Australian Sports Commission (ASC) recognised national sporting organisation (NSO), national sporting organisation for people with disability (NSOD) or a School Sport Australia member body; or
    - an official national championship endorsed by the relevant ASC recognised NSO, NSOD or School Sport Australia; or
    - an international competition as a member of an official Australian team, representing an ASC recognised NSO, NSOD or School Sport Australia.
- Those attending a state championship must be living more than 250km from the championships venue and travelling greater than 500km return to participate in the nominated championships*.
- May receive a maximum of one grant from an application submitted in the same allocation year (1 May 2025 - 30 April 2026).
- Must incur out-of-pocket expenses for the nominated championship equal to, or greater than, the grant amount they are eligible to receive.
- Must not receive a Local Para Champions grant or a Local Sporting Champions grant in the same or a previous round to attend the same championship or competition.
- Applications must be submitted within timeframes indicated in the 'When can I apply?' section of this document.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G16350/info

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Local Sporting Champions

Funding Providers
Australian Sports Commission
Australian Institute of Sport (AIS)

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G16345

Primary Category
Sport and recreation

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
Amount: $500 to $750
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Local Sporting Champions program provides financial assistance for coaches, officials and competitors aged 12-18 participating in state, national or international championships.

Overview

If successful, applicants will receive $500-$750 towards the cost of attending their championships

- Base Grant: **$500**
- Applicants travelling 800km - 1999km to their nominated championships: **+ $100**
- Applicants travelling internationally or greater than 2000km to their nominated championships: **+ $200**
- Applicants residing in a rural electorate: **+ $50**

Opening and closing dates and times:

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- Round 4, 2025-26 Applications: Open: 12am AEDT on Sunday 1 February 2026 Close: 11.59pm AEST on Thursday 30 April 2026

Limitations

Applicants must meet the following criteria:

- Be turning 12 to 18 years of age in the same calendar year as the nominated championships.
- Be an Australian citizen or have been granted permanent resident status, residing in Australia.
- Be participating as an athlete, coach, or match official in:
    - an official state championship endorsed by the relevant Australian Sports Commission (ASC) recognised national sporting organisation (NSO), national sporting organisation for people with disability (NSOD) or a School Sport Australia member body; or
    - an official national championship endorsed by the relevant ASC recognised NSO, NSOD or School Sport Australia; or
    - an international competition as a member of an official Australian team, representing an ASC recognised NSO, NSOD or School Sport Australia.
- Those attending a state championship must be living more than 250km from the championships venue and travelling greater than 500km return to participate in the nominated championships.
- May receive a maximum of one grant from an application submitted in the same allocation year (1 May 2025 - 30 April 2026).
- Must incur out-of-pocket expenses for the nominated championship equal to, or greater than, the grant amount they are eligible to receive.

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- Must not receive a Local Para Champions grant or a Local Sporting Champions grant in the same or a previous round to attend the same championship or competition.
- Applications must be submitted within timeframes indicated in the 'When can I apply?' section of this document.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G16345/info
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G16345/apply
Email: sportingchampions@ausport.gov.au **Phone:** (02) 6214 1462

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Macca's Junior Sports Grants (WA)

Funding Provider
McDonalds

Location
WA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19242

Primary Category
Sport and recreation

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
Total Pool: $40,000

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Macca's Junior Sports Grants aims to increase participation in junior sports and encourage the habit of a healthy lifestyle amongst young West Australians living in our regional communities where access to funding is harder to come by.

Overview

The funder provides grants to clubs or groups within regional Western Australia to provide basic sporting infrastructure for a club or sporting group for an activity which is likely to encourage kids to participate in sport. So, if your club or group is in regional Western Australia and requires equipment, uniforms or something else that encourages participation in sport, the funder is happy to help.

There are four rounds per year in which you can apply for a grant:

1. Round One - 9.00am (AWST) 1st January to 11.59pm (AWST) 31st March 2. Round Two - 9.00am (AWST) 1st April to 11.59pm (AWST) 30th June 3. Round Three - 9.00am (AWST) 1st July to 11.59pm (AWST) 30th September 4. Round Four - 9.00am (AWST) 1st October to 11.59pm (AWST) 31st December.

Please contact McDonald's Customer Service on 02 9875 7100 to find out more about opportunities within your local area/state.

Limitations

To be an Eligible Applicant, you must be a registered group, organisation or association (Applicant) that organises junior sporting activities or participates in junior sporting activities that also fits the below criteria:

- (a) Applicant must be a not for profit organisation; and
- (b) Applicant must be located in, and the sport must operate within regional Western Australia; and
- (c) Applicant has not received a Macca's Junior Sport Grant within 9 months (i.e. 3 rounds) prior to current round

Only items that are seen to directly encourage greater participation in your club's sport will be considered for funding. Applications, regardless of whether they have been submitted by an Eligible Applicant, that seek any of the following shall not be a valid application and will be disqualified:

- Retrospective costs or deficit funding requests;
- Projects outside the designated geographical zone of Western Australia;
- General fundraising appeals;
- Travel to and from sporting competitions or related events within or outside of Western Australia;
- Technological devices (e.g. mobile devices);
- Funding for coaching or umpiring related activities;

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- Hire and Membership Fees;
- Clubhouses and Clubhouse amenities;
- Non-sporting equipment (e.g. gazebos, first aid kits and drink bottles).

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Phone
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19242/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19242/guidelines
Email: mjsg@au.mcd.com **Phone:** 02 9875 7100

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NSW Rugby World Cup Legacy Grant

Funding Provider
Office of Sport (NSW)

Location
NSW

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19814

Primary Category
Sport and recreation

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Local Govt

Funding
Amount: $5,000 to $150,000
Total Pool: $2,150,000

Rounds
Closes **16 Feb 2026**

Purpose

The NSW Rugby World Cup Legacy Program is an initiative of the NSW Government, NSW Rugby Union, ACT & Southern NSW Rugby Union and Rugby Australia as a result of NSW hosting Men's Rugby World Cup matches in New South Wales in October and November 2027.

Overview

The objectives align with Rugby Australia's strategy and NSW Rugby Union and ACT & Southern NSW Rugby Union's strategy to increase inclusion and boost participation in Rugby Union, specifically for under-represented groups, including women and girls, people from culturally and linguistically diverse communities, people with disability, First Nations peoples and LGBTQIA+ people.

Category 1 - Infrastructure stream ($25,000 - $150,000) - key objectives are to:

- Improve the quality and/or quantity of Rugby facilities in NSW
- Increase the utilisation of Rugby facilitiesin NSW
- Support the equitable provision of, and access to, Rugby facilities to grow participation for under-represented groups
- Improve the Rugby experience for players, referees, coaches, administrators, and spectators

These objectives are in line with the Rugby Australia National Infrastructure focus areas of:

- Improve accessibility & capacity of facilities
- Promote inclusive participation by enhancing community club facilities
- Target priority regions by addressing demand in vital areas for participation and population growth

Category 2 - Participation stream ($5,000 - $20,000) - key objectives are to:

- Increase participation in Rugby with new or enhanced programs, competitions or tournaments
- Increase opportunities for participation in Rugby for under-represented groups.

Limitations

Category 1 - Infrastructure

Eligible applicants are:

- Incorporated, not for profit rugby union clubs, associations, zones in NSW that are affiliated and have met compliance requirements by NSWRU and/or ACT&SNSWRU.
- Local Government Authorities in NSW .

Category 2 -Participation

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Eligible applicants are:

- Incorporated, not for profit rugby union clubs, associations, zones in NSW that are affiliated and have met compliance requirements by NSWRU and/or ACT & SNSWRU.

Applications involving partnerships between groups are encouraged and will be considered favourably. For example, an eligible applicant may partner with their local council or landowner, who may provide a financial co-contribution, and/or perform as the delivery team. The partner may complete portions of the application on behalf of the eligible applicant. For partnership applications, a Tripartite Funding Agreement is appropriate and can be requested via the application form.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19814/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19814/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19814/apply
Email: grantsunit@sport.nsw.gov.au

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National Representative Fund

Funding Provider
Tasmanian Institute of Sport

Location
TAS

Funding Type
Cash Grant G18345

Primary Category
Sport and recreation

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual

Funding
Amount: $0 to $2,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

A sports assistance scheme provided by the Government of Tasmania to cover the additional cost to Tasmanian Athletes and Coaches competing at a Junior or Open Competition level to travel with an international team competing overseas.

Overview

Assistance is made available to cover the additional cost to Tasmanian Athletes and Coaches competing at a Junior or Open Competition level to travel with an international team competing **overseas**.

Funding provided to successful applicants will be up to a maximum value of $500. Applicants are only eligible for one grant per financial year.

In the case of five or more applicants for the one event, funding will be limited to $2,000 for any one event, with the funds being divided equally between the successful applicants.

The sport and National Sporting Organisation (NSO) must be recognised and endorsed by the Australian Sports Commission (ASC).

Only support for recognised international events will be considered. Applicants must be able to demonstrate their selection for the event is based on merit and is fully endorsed by the NSO concerned. The application must be accompanied by a Statement from the NSO/SSO detailing all fund sources available to the applicant.

Athletes on scholarship with the Tasmanian Institute of Sport will not normally be eligible to receive assistance through this program.

Applications must be received and assessed prior to departure for the nominated event. Retrospective claims for assistance will not be considered.

Applications to the fund are on a first in basis and availability of support is available until the annual allocation of funds is exhausted.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online

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Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G18345/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G18345/apply
Contact: Shelly Wesley
Email: shelly.wesley@tis.tas.gov.au **Phone:** (03) 6165 6630

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North West Travel Subsidy

Funding Provider
Department of Creative Industries, Tourism and Sport (WA)

Location
WA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G08069

Primary Category
Sport and recreation

Eligible to
Not-for-Profit

Funding
$2,500
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

North West Travel Subsidy aims to assist young athletes from the North West with travel costs.

Overview

It aims to encourage participation in identified sport and recreation activities for athletes living in the regions of:

- Kimberley
- Pilbara
- Gascoyne
- Remote locations within the Mid West and Goldfields.

North West Travel Subsidy is not an open funding scheme and is only available to athletes by way of application from their Regional or State Sporting Association or another relevant not-for-profit organisation approved by the department.

Funding may be used for:

- Regular competitions recognised by a state controlling body;
- Travel to training and development camps;
- Representative fixtures (excluding State and National) and carnivals; and
- Inter-town journeys over 500km return.

Applicants must comply with all requirements as listed above to be eligible for assistance.

Level of funding available

Funding is available based on two support schemes:

1. individual
2. team funding.

Team funding can be accessed when four or more athletes who meet the eligibility criteria from the one sport are travelling to the same event or championship.

Individual funding support

Where athletes who meet the eligibility criteria are travelling to an event or championship in Perth, the following individual funding support will be provided:

- Individual (Gascoyne to Perth): Up to $600 per person
- Individual (Kimberley to Perth): Up to $800 per person
- Individual (other regional remote locations): Up to $600 per person
- Individual (Pilbara to Perth): Up to $700 per person

Where athletes who meet the eligibility criteria are travelling to an inter-regional event or championship, the following individual funding support will be provided:

- Individual (Gascoyne inter-regional): Up to $600 per person

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- Individual (Kimberley inter-regional): Up to $600 per person
- Individual (other regional remote locations): Up to $600 per person
- Individual (Pilbara inter-regional): Up to $600 per person

Team Funding Support

If four or more athletes who meet the eligibility criteria are travelling to the same event or championship in Perth, the following team funding support will be provided:

- Team (Gascoyne to Perth): Up to $2000 per sport
- Team (Kimberley to Perth): Up to $2500 per sport
- Team (other regional remote locations): Up to $2000 per sport
- Team (Pilbara to Perth): Up to $2300 per sport

If four or more athletes who meet the eligibility criteria are travelling to the same inter regional event or championship, the following team funding support will be provided:

- Team (other regional remote locations): Up to $2000 per sport
- Team (Kimberley inter-regional): Up to $2000 per sport
- Team (Pilbara inter-regional): Up to $2000 per sport
- Team (Gascoyne inter-regional): Up to $2000 per sport

Limitations

Who can apply

- not-for-profit community organisations involved in the conduct of sport or active recreation
- applications must be made by an organisation for either individual or team funding
- applicants must reside within a designated region
- eligibility is limited to athletes aged 13 to 18 years* who reside within recognised regions for this scheme and represent their sport or active recreation club or association.

*In certain circumstances, the Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries (DLGSC) may consider athletes outside of this age-band on a case-by-case basis.

Eligibility requirements

- be an incorporated not-for-profit organisation either under the Western Australian Associations Incorporation Act (2015) or Commonwealth Corporations Act (2001) with an Australian Business Number (ABN), or Indigenous organisation under the Commonwealth Corporations (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander) Act (2006)
- where appropriate, affiliated with a SSA/industry peak body
- have acquitted all previous DLGSC grants prior to the application being submitted unless the grant is still current
- have an Australian Business Number (ABN).

Who cannot apply

- individuals, groups of individuals
- State Government departments and agencies
- educational institutions including schools, universities and TAFE colleges
- commercial businesses.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Email
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G08069/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G08069/guidelines

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Opportunity Knocks Program

Funding Provider
Tennis Australia

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Subsidised Goods And Services G12854

Primary Category
Sport and recreation

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$500

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Opportunity Knocks Subsidy Program (“Subsidy”) offers young people aged 5 - 17 facing disadvantage or adversity the opportunity to continue their tennis journey with subsidized coaching by a qualified tennis coach.

Overview

The Subsidies aim to:

- reduce financial barriers to participation in sport outside of school for children and young people;
- use tennis as a vehicle to strengthen resilience, promote self-worth and build a sense of belonging in children and young people;
- provide continued access to opportunities to experience success and social connection. This is not a high performance scholarship.

Funding

Funding of up to $400 per person per year for coaching fees and an additional $100 per person per year for club membership and/or competition fees is available.

Activity	Semester One	Semester Two
Applications open	10 December (previous year)	1 June
Applications close	When funds are exhausted	When funds are exhausted
Funding confirmation	Within ten working days of application receipt	Within ten working days of application receipt

Limitations

Eligibility

Funding is available to children and young people who meet the following criteria:

- aged between 5 – 17
- facing financial hardship or disadvantage
- families have no outstanding reporting requirements for any other Tennis Australia or ATF funding programs

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G12854/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G12854/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G12854/apply
Contact: Susie Norton
Email: susie.norton@australiantennisfoundation.com.au

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Para Sport Equipment Enhancement Program (Streams 3 & 4)

Funding Provider
Paralympics Australia

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G18435

Primary Category
Sport and recreation

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Business

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Para sport Equipment Enhancement Program (PEEP) provides targeted support to address the specific gap of equipment within the Para sport pathway, enabling more athletes to enter and progress within the Para sport pathway, including those competing within high-performance.

Overview

Stream 3: Program Participation Stream Community programs, Sporting Clubs or State Sporting Organisations (SSO's) requiring Para specific or customised sport equipment to deliver for groups of Para athletes.

Stream 4: NSO, NSOD & SIS/SAS Para-sport units & RAS Stream NSO/NSOD & State Institutes & State Academies of Sport (SIS/SAS) Para sport unit & Regional Academies of Sport (RAS) immediate gaps and needs to enable a rapid upscale of Para specific equipment requirements to support the ambition of increasing the number of Categorised athletes and Para athletes competing within the Para performance pathway.

Limitations

Eligibility Criteria:

- Be an Australian citizen or permanent resident living in Australia.
- Have an eligible impairment according to the International Paralympic Committee's (IPC) Standard of Eligible Impairments or deliver programs for athletes with these impairments, including:
    - Muscle weakness/Impaired Muscle Power
    - Restricted joint movement/Impaired Passive Range of Movement
    - Limb loss or deficiency
    - Leg Length Difference
    - Short Stature
    - Coordination Impairments:
        - Hypertonia/Spasticity
        - Motor Ataxia
        - Dyskinesia (athetosis, dystonia, chorea)
    - Vision Impairment
    - Intellectual impairment
- Use the equipment for sport/s currently contested on the Paralympic Games Program.
- Be able to provide storage and maintenance for the equipment.
- Understand the equipment item will be numbered and registered with Paralympics Australia, allowing for the system to track its investment, location & ensure optimal use.
- Provide the contact details of a referee from a Sporting Club, NSO, SSO, coach or school leader to verify the Eligible Impairment and the equipment need.
- Provide a quote and/or costings from a registered business for the requested equipment. You may engage directly with Paralympics Australia for support with this process if you require assistance or advice.
- Explored funding eligibility through alternative funding sources (e.g. NDIS).

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G18435/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G18435/guidelines

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G18435/apply
Email: equipment@paralympic.org.au

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Para Sport Equipment Enhancement Program - (Stream 1 & 2)

Funding Provider
Paralympics Australia

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G18437

Primary Category
Sport and recreation

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Business

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Para sport Equipment Enhancement Program (PEEP) provides targeted support to address the specific gap of equipment within the Para sport pathway, enabling more athletes to enter and progress within the Para sport pathway, including those competing within high-performance.

Overview

Stream 1: Athlete Participation Stream Individual athletes who participate or want to compete in Para sport, requiring Para specific or customised equipment to do so. These athletes are not Categorised by their respective National Sport Organisation (NSO) or National Sport Organisation for people with a Disability (NSOD).

Stream 2: Athlete Performance Pathway Stream Individual NSO/NSOD Categorised Athletes within the performance pathway requiring Para specific or customised equipment to compete in within the high-performance pathway.

Limitations

Eligibility Criteria:

- Be an Australian citizen or permanent resident living in Australia.
- Have an eligible impairment according to the International Paralympic Committee's (IPC) Standard of Eligible Impairments or deliver programs for athletes with these impairments, including:
    - Muscle weakness/Impaired Muscle Power
    - Restricted joint movement/Impaired Passive Range of Movement
    - Limb loss or deficiency
    - Leg Length Difference
    - Short Stature
    - Coordination Impairments:
        - Hypertonia/Spasticity
        - Motor Ataxia
        - Dyskinesia (athetosis, dystonia, chorea)
    - Vision Impairment
    - Intellectual impairment
- Use the equipment for sport/s currently contested on the Paralympic Games Program.
- Be able to provide storage and maintenance for the equipment.
- Understand the equipment item will be numbered and registered with Paralympics Australia, allowing for the system to track its investment, location & ensure optimal use.
- Provide the contact details of a referee from a Sporting Club, NSO, SSO, coach or school leader to verify the Eligible Impairment and the equipment need.
- Provide a quote and/or costings from a registered business for the requested equipment. You may engage directly with Paralympics Australia for support with this process if you require assistance or advice.
- Explored funding eligibility through alternative funding sources (e.g. NDIS).

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G18437/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G18437/guidelines

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G18437/apply
Email: equipment@paralympic.org.au

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Pathways Program

Funding Provider
South West Indigenous Network Inc (SWIN)

Location
QLD

Funding Type
Cash Grant G17693

Primary Category
Sport and recreation

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$1,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Pathways Program is SWIN's flagship initiative, dedicated to supporting Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander young people in pursuing their sporting dreams.

Overview

Designed to assist with the often-prohibitive costs of competing, the program plays a critical role in ensuring that talented young athletes are not excluded from opportunities due to financial barriers. By covering travel and participation expenses, the program enables participants to represent their communities at regional and state-level competitions across Queensland.

Pathways Program currently services 19 Local Government areas across Queensland and is available to 60,000 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders that reside in those areas. The South East and South West Regions are producing more young athletes each year who have qualified for sporting championships and rely on the Pathways Program to compete. The increasing interest in this program is a testimony to the strong caliber of athletes from the southern corridor of Queensland. SWIN has also identified its desire to grow the Program into Central Queensland, if funding is made available.

Levels of funding

There are two levels of allocated individual funding for the following Local Government Areas;

1. Maximum grant for applicants that reside in Bulloo, Quilpie, Murweh, Balonne and Maranoa LGA's are eligible for up to $1,000 per individual, per financial year.
2. Maximum grant for applicants that reside in Toowoomba, Southern Downs, Western Downs and Goondiwindi LGA's are eligible for up to $750 per individual, per financial year.

Applications that provide all requested information will be assessed on a first-come, first-served basis until all available funding is allocated.

For more details about the SWIN Pathways Program please contact SWINs Pathways Program Coordinator.

Limitations

Individuals

- TIER 1: Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander applicants where the child, or their parent, carer or guardian holds a current Centrelink Healthcare Card or current Pensioner Concession Card with the applicants name on it are able to apply for 75% funding of the eligible costs as per section 8 in this application.
- TIER 2: Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander applicants that do not hold a current Centrelink Healthcare Card or current Pensioner Concession Card are able to apply for 50% funding of the eligible costs as per section 8 in this application.

Eligibility/allocation

- Applications that provide all requested information will be assessed on a first come, first served basis until funding is allocated. SWIN encourages all applicants to use the Documentation Tick Box to ensure the application is submitted to quality standard.
- Approval is dependent on funding availability

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- Individual Applications will be favourably considered if the event is a Queensland School Sport or Regional/State Carnival facilitated by the State/National Sporting body or affiliates.
- Special Events Application will be favourably considered if the Organisation is incorporated and has strong Aboriginal and Torres Strait membership or sport and recreation as its primary objective.
- In relation to Individual Applications, SWIN will only accept applications from participants that are 18 years and younger. The Pathways Program has had to adjust its guidelines to align to the Programme around the Indigenous Advancement Strategy – Safety and Wellbeing.
- Approved Funds will be paid directly to relevant sporting organisation(s) and/or sporting bodies. For those seeking reimbursement, proof of payment is required. Estimates or budget predictions will not be accepted.
- Note: you may prefer to submit costs after paying for travel and accommodation. SWIN will consider reimbursement for fuel if Fuel Cards are purchased prior to the event and receipt is provided in the application.
- SWIN strongly encourages female participation in sport and recreation.
- Applications for Special Events will be favourably considered if the sporting event is an alcohol and drug free event.
- There are levels of funding for both Individual and Special Events. (see section 4 Level of funding)
- The SWIN Board does understand that some applications submitted will entail a possible conflict of interest around assessment. The board has measures in place to confirm that all conflict of interests will be declared and applications are assessed by a staff member that provides equality and fairness across the program.
- All applicants will be notified of the assessment outcome by mail, fax or email. In some cases, you may be notified by phone call from the Pathways Coordinator or SWIN board member.
- Final decision rests with the Chairperson or the South West Indigenous Network.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Mail, Fax, Email
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G17693/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G17693/apply
Contact: Shari Woodbridge **Address:** Pathways Program, South West Indigenous Network Inc. PO Box 2085 Toowoomba 4350 QLD
Email: pathways@swin.org.au **Phone:** 0438 206 821

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Racing and Training Facilities Program

Funding Provider
Department of Justice & Community Safety (VIC)

Location
VIC

Funding Type
Cash Grant G13994

Primary Category
Sport and recreation

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Business

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Racing and Training Facilities program supports racing clubs and organisations to improve infrastructure and facilities, which enable the delivery of quality training and racing environments at racing venues across Victoria.

Overview

The program will support racing clubs and organisations to upgrade infrastructure and facilities with an aim of improving participant and animal welfare and increasing participation in racing.

The VRIF Racing and Training Facilities program objectives are to:

- improve the quality and safety of racing and training infrastructure
- support the welfare of racing animals and the wellbeing of jockeys, trainers, drivers and participants
- support facility upgrades which have universal design, gender neutral design, are environmentally sustainable, and strategically planned
- develop local economic activity through the planning, building, activating, maintaining, and managing of redeveloped or new infrastructure.

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Grants will be provided on a cash co-contribution basis of up to 50 per cent of the total eligible budget expenditure.

Applications are considered all year round. It is recommended that applications are submitted at least 3 months prior to the expected commencement date of the project.

Limitations

Eligible applicants

The following organisations are eligible to apply for a Racing and Training Facilities grant:

- Racing Victoria Limited.
- Country Racing Victoria.
- Harness Racing Victoria.
- Greyhound Racing Victoria.
- Racing clubs licensed under section 24A of the *Racing Act 1958*. This includes HRV Management Limited (trading as Tabcorp Park) and racing clubs registered as part of the Wimmera Racing Club.
- Racing clubs licensed by Racing Victoria Limited as a picnic racing club.
- Racing clubs licensed by Harness Racing Victoria as a graduation club.

The following organisations are eligible to apply for funding with written support from the relevant controlling body:

- Association of Victorian Country Harness Racing Clubs.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G13994/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G13994/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G13994/apply
Email: vrif@justice.vic.gov.au

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Regional Athlete Travel Subsidy Scheme

Funding Provider
Department of Creative Industries, Tourism and Sport (WA)

Location
WA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G06818

Primary Category
Sport and recreation

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$500
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Regional Athlete Travel Subsidy Scheme provides funding assistance to regional Western Australian athletes who aspire to reach their full sporting potential.

Overview

The Regional Athlete Travel Subsidy Scheme (ATSS) is an initiative supporting regional athletes who have progressed into the high performance pathway of their chosen sport and are pursuing regional, state and national representation.

Eligible regional athletes can receive funding for out-of-pocket travel and accommodation expenses directly related to competitions and programs in accordance with the performance level categories and eligibility criteria outlined in the application guidelines.

Subsidies for regional athletes are provided through the State Government's Royalties for Regions Program.

Round	Open	Project start/event dates	Category
All year round	Always open	Events from 15 May 2022 onwards	• Category 3 • Category 4 • Category 5

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Amounts available

- Category 5: Regional athlete support for eligible athletes up to $500
- Category 4: Regional athlete support for eligible athletes up to $500
- Category 3: Up to $500 plus regional athlete support for eligible athletes

Limitations

Eligibility

Regional athletes aged 13 to 21.

Applications can only be made retrospective of the event/program. Do not put in an application until after the event. Retrospective applications must be submitted within 3 months of the event date or they will be ineligible for funding.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G06818/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G06818/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G06818/apply
Email: travelsubsidy@dlgsc.wa.gov.au

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Regional Customer Facilities Program

Funding Provider
Department of Justice & Community Safety (VIC)

Location
VIC

Funding Type
Cash Grant G13992

Primary Category
Sport and recreation

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Business

Funding
$100,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Regional Customer Facilities program supports regional racing clubs to improve customer infrastructure and facilities, which enable the delivery of public racing events at regional racing venues.

Overview

The program will support regional racing clubs to upgrade facilities with an aim of attracting the public to racing events and providing additional use of club facilities to the broader community.

The VRIF Regional Customer Facilities program objectives are to:

- improve the standard of public facilities at regional Victorian racing venues
- improve customer facilities used for racing and community events in regional areas of Victoria
- support facility upgrades which are inclusive, diverse, and accessible
- support facility upgrades which have universal design, gender neutral design, are environmentally sustainable, and strategically planned
- develop local economic activity through the planning, building, activating, maintaining, and managing of redeveloped or new infrastructure
- ensure that Victoria continues to be a vibrant state for racing events of every scale.

Applicants can request grant funding up to $100,000 (exclusive of GST) per project.

Limitations

Eligibility

The following organisations are eligible to apply for a Regional Customer Facilities grant:

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- Racing clubs licensed under section 24A of the *Racing Act 1958*. This includes racing clubs registered as part of the Wimmera Racing Club.
- Racing clubs licensed by Racing Victoria Limited as a picnic racing club.

Applicants may apply individually or jointly. Where a project involves more than one applicant, the lead organisation must apply, but both applicants may contribute to project expenditure to meet any co-contribution requirements (refer to Section 3, Funding).

Ineligible

Projects at the following race venues are ineligible to receive funding through the Regional Customer Facilities program:

- Flemington Racecourse.
- Moonee Valley Racecourse.
- Caulfield Racecourse.
- Sandown Racecourse.
- Tabcorp Park Melton.
- Sandown Greyhound Racecourse.
- The Meadows.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G13992/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G13992/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G13992/apply
Email: vrif@justice.vic.gov.au

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Significant Sporting Events Program

Funding Provider
Sport and Recreation Victoria

Location
VIC

Funding Type
Cash Grant G17964

Primary Category
Sport and recreation

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Business
- Local Govt

Funding
$150,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Significant Sporting Events Program is a Victorian Government funding program that assists event organisers to enhance the delivery of national or international level sporting events in Victoria.

Overview

The Significant Sporting Events Program (SSEP) has 2 streams of grants available.

- Event Assistance Grant (Up to $20,000*) - To assist with offsetting general operational costs associated with staging events
- Event Development Grant (Up to $150,000*) - To develop or expand existing events or to attract new events to Victoria that deliver key outcomes for the State

* Higher grant amounts may be available and will be considered on a case by case basis by Sport and Recreation Victoria.

The final funding amount will be determined in relation to the scale of the event and key outcomes measured against the assessment criteria; only one grant is available for the same event, per year.

The SSEP has 6 funding rounds each financial year. Applications must be received a minimum of 6 months prior to the event.

Closing dates:

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- 15 August
- 15 October
- 15 December
- 15 February
- 15 April
- 15 June

Limitations

Eligible sporting events must:

- be delivered in Victoria
- be for a sport recognised by the Australian Sports Commission as the National Sporting Organisation for their sport in Australia and listed on the Australian Sports Directory
- be nationally or internationally sanctioned by a recognised sporting body and meet the criteria of at least one Event Type as detailed below
- occur at least 6 months after the date of the submitted application
- offer equal prize money for people of all genders, where prize money is awarded.

Applications for multiyear events and events that are subject to a bid process that otherwise meet the program criteria are acceptable.

Event Type:

- National Championship
- National Series Event
- National Competition Match
- International Championship
- International Series/Qualifying Event
- International Competition Match

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G17964/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G17964/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G17964/apply
Email: events@sport.vic.gov.au **Phone:** (03) 9623 1429

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Sport Voucher Scheme (Activity Providers)

Funding Provider
Department of Children and Families (NT)

Location
NT

Funding Type
In-kind Contribution U00137

Primary Category
Sport and recreation

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- University
- Individual
- Local Govt
- Business

Funding
$200
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **1 May 2026 8:30AM (ACST)**

Last Round
Closed **24 May 2024**

Purpose

Sole traders, clubs and organisations can apply to become a registered activity provider to provide activities to children as part of the Sport Voucher Scheme in the Northern Territory (NT).

Overview

Registered activity providers can receive up to two vouchers of up to $200 for every enrolled student in the NT.

Your activities must involve one or all of the following:

- sport

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- recreation
- culture

Urban areas where you can become an activity provider under the scheme include:

- Alice Springs
- Darwin
- Litchfield
- Nhulunbuy
- Katherine
- Palmerston
- Tennant Creek.

There are steps you must follow to become an activity provider for the Sports Voucher Scheme.

Before you apply to become an activity provider you must have all of the following:

- current public liability insurance for no less than $10 million for any single event
- working with children clearances - for you and anyone else involved in delivering programs, including your committee members
- a current Member Protection Policy to demonstrate your awareness and application of obligations relating to the Northern Territory Care and Protection of Children Act 2007, in particular with regards to mandatory reporting; and
- a designated Member Protection Information Officer

Support materials and a Member Protection Policy template can be found at playbytherules.net.au

Limitations

Eligibility

Activity Providers can register for the scheme at grantsnt.gov.au.au, subject to complying with the following criteria:

- eligible under the policy definitions;
- hold current public liability insurance for not less than $10 million for any single event;
- compliant with Licensing NT, Department of the Attorney-General and Justice and/or other relevant authorities;
- based in and operating from the NT;
- activities are structured, value for money and costings are reasonable;
- demonstrated an awareness and application of obligations relating the Northern Territory Care and Protection of Children Act 2007, in particular with regards to mandatory reporting. A suitable Member Protection Policy as an example;
- ensure that relevant staff and volunteers (including committee members) delivering services under the scheme have a valid Working with Children Clearance; and
- have in place a current Member Protection Policy and a designated Member Protection Information Officer appointed. Note: The Play by the Rules project is a collaboration between Sport Integrity Australia, Sport Australia, Australian Human Rights Commission, all state and territory departments of sport and recreation, all state and territory anti-discrimination and human rights agencies, the Office of the Children's Guardian (NSW) and the Anti-Discrimination Board of NSW. These partners promote Play by the Rules through their networks, along with their own child safety, antidiscrimination and inclusion programs. Support materials and a Member Protection Policy template can be found at playbytherules.net.au.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00137/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00137/guidelines
Email: sport.voucherscheme@nt.gov.au **Phone:** 1800 817 860

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Sport Voucher Scheme (Parents/Carers)

Funding Provider
Department of People, Sport and Culture (NT)

Location
NT

Funding Type
Subsidised Goods And Services U00664

Primary Category
Sport and recreation

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$100
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **31 Dec 2025**

Purpose

The Sports Voucher Scheme supports active Territory families with the cost of getting involved in sports, active recreation and cultural activities.

Overview

Every child living in the NT, from Transition to Year 12, who is enrolled in an NT school or registered for home-schooling, is eligible for the scheme.

In urban areas, school-enrolled students can apply for a $100 Sport Voucher twice per year (January and July).

The objectives of the Scheme are to:

- increase participation of school-enrolled children in sport, active recreation and cultural activities.
- support the delivery of the Department's focus on increasing activity levels in school-enrolled children living in the NT;
- help change the physical activity behaviours of children in the NT; and
- develop core aquatic skills through structured play and water confident children.

Limitations

Activity Providers can register for the Scheme at www.grantsnt.nt.gov.au, subject to complying with the following criteria:

- Eligible under the policy definitions.
- Hold current Certificate of Currency (public liability insurance) for not less than $10 million for any single event.
- Compliant with Associations and Compliance, Department of Trade, Business and Asian Relations and/or other relevant authorities.
- An organisation is a going concern (solvent) based on their annual audited financial statements.
- Based in and operating from the NT.
- In the first instance, the preference is for clubs and community organisations to register as an activity provider as opposed to regional associations and/or peak bodies.
- Activities are structured, value for money and costings are reasonable.
- Demonstrated an awareness and application of obligations relating the Northern Territory Care and Protection of Children Act 2007, in particular with regards to mandatory reporting.
- Incorporated Associations to have in place a current Member Protection Policy and a designated Member Protection Information Officer appointed. Note: The Play by the Rules project is a collaboration between Sport Integrity Australia, Australian Sports Commission, Australian Human Rights Commission, all state and territory departments responsible for sport and recreation, all state and territory anti-discrimination and human rights agencies, the Office of the Children's Guardian (NSW) and the Anti-Discrimination Board of NSW. These partners promote Play by the Rules through their networks, along with their own child safety, anti-discrimination and inclusion programs. Support materials and a Member Protection Policy template can be found at playbytherules.net.au.
- Ensure that relevant staff and volunteers (including committee members and the primary applicant) delivering services under the scheme have a valid Working with Children Clearance, including maintaining a register of staff and volunteer Working with Children Clearance Cards. Information on the clearance and how to apply can be accessed at Working with children clearance: apply and renew.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00664/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00664/guidelines
Email: sport.voucherscheme@nt.gov.au **Phone:** 1800 817 860

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Sport and Recreation Recovery Grant - Tropical Cyclone Alfred and Associated Severe Weather and Western Queensland Surface Trough and Associated Rainfall and Flooding

Funding Provider
Queensland Reconstruction Authority

Location
QLD

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19826

Primary Category
Sport and recreation

Eligible to
Not-for-Profit

Funding
$1,000,000

Rounds
Closes **6 Feb 2026 5pm AEST**

Purpose

The grant assists not-for-profit sport, active recreation and racing organisations with the clean-up, repair or replacement of equipment or facilities directly damaged by an eligible disaster event and to re-establish activities.

Overview

The Sport and Recreation Recovery Grant is a rolling program that is jointly funded by the Australian Government and Queensland Government under Category C & D of the Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements (DRFA).

Organisations are encouraged to seek financial assistance from the Queensland Rural and Industry Development Authority (QRIDA).

When applying for the Sport and Recreation Recovery Grant, organisations will be required to demonstrate they have not been able to obtain insurance coverage for the damaged infrastructure.

Where insurance has been obtained, the organisation must have claimed financial support from their insurer.

Eligible organisations can apply for a minimum of $20,000 up to a maximum of $1 million (GST exclusive) for each eligible project site subject to funding availability, and at the discretion of the department.

This program is available to certain LGA's in Queensland.

Limitations

To be eligible for funding, organisations must:

- be activated by the Queensland Reconstruction Authority listed as Extraordinary Disaster Assistance Recovery Grants "Not-for-profit orgs" on the Queensland Government's Disaster Management website and meet eligibility criteria detailed within the Sport and Recreation Recovery Grant Guidelines. Applicants are encouraged to use the "Search LGAs" function to confirm eligibility.
- be located in a Local Government Area (LGA) activated by the Queensland Reconstruction Authority for one or more of the following events and meet the grant guidelines:
    1. Tropical Cyclone Alfred and Associated Severe Weather, 1 March - 16 March 2025
    2. Western Queensland Surface Trough and Associated Rainfall and Flooding, 21 March - 19 May 2025.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19826/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19826/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19826/apply
Phone: 13 74 68

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Sporting Achievement Grants

Funding Provider
Nillumbik Shire Council

Location
Nillumbik

Funding Type
Cash Grant G02174

Primary Category
Sport and recreation

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual

Funding
$500
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The purpose of the Sporting Achievement Grant is to provide financial support to young athletes aged 25 or under, who are residents of Nillumbik Shire or affiliated with a team or club in Nillumbik.

Overview

This grant is designed to help cover costs associated with participating in state, national or international sporting competitions. By offering this support, the grant aims to alleviate financial burdens and encourage youth participation and excellence in sport.

Individual Grants

- State competition - $150
- National competition - $200
- International competition **-** $250

Team Grants - $500

What can be funded?

- Costs associated with sports events and tournaments
- Travel costs including accommodation.

Limitations

Eligibility:

To be eligible for a Sporting Achievement Grant, applicants must:

- Be a resident of Nillumbik Shire/and or affiliated with a team/club in Nillumbik
- Be under 25
- Be selected to compete in a state, national or international sporting competition, within a recognised peak body/ association
- Not be competing on a professional basis
- Not have received a Sporting Achievement Grant in the last 12 months
- Attach a copy of their selection letter from the appropriate sporting organisation, peak body or government body
- Be available to attend a Council meeting for presentation of the grant.
- A maximum of 5 applicants from the one club.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Mail, Email
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G02174/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G02174/apply
Email: leisure.admin@nillumbik.vic.gov.au **Phone:** (03) 9433 3111

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Sporting Competitions Access Fund

Funding Providers
Sport and Recreation Tasmania
Department of Communities (TAS)

Location
TAS

Funding Type
Cash Grant G10897

Primary Category
Sport and recreation

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$3,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The purpose of the Sporting Competitions Access Fund (the Fund) is to assist athletes with disability, enabling them to compete in national or international sporting competitions and allowing them to excel in their chosen sport at the highest possible level.

Overview

Funding available

- The Fund is open annually from 1 July until 30 June.
- Applications to the fund are on a first in basis until the annual allocation of funds is exhausted.
- Funding is available up to $3,000 for international sporting competition and $2,000 for national sporting competition.
- Applicants are eligible for one grant per financial year. However, in exceptional circumstances consideration will be given for further assistance based on an assessment of the significance of the competition event involved.
- In the case of four or more separate applications being made for one event (or for teams), total funding will be limited to $8,000 for that event with the funds being divided between the successful applicants.

Limitations

Eligibility

- Eligible applicants are:
    - Athletes with disability, for expenses incurred by themselves, their coach and/or identified carer to attend a national or international level competition; and
    - Coaches and/or identified carers only of TIS scholarship athletes with disability for expenses incurred to support the athlete at the same national or international level of competition.
    - TIS Scholarship athletes are not eligible for expenses incurred by themselves.
- Grants are available for eligible applicants attending national or international level competitions held in Australia or overseas.
- Grants for national level selection competitions or selection camps will also be considered.
- The sport must be endorsed by the Australian Sport Commission as a National Sporting Organisation (NSO) or National Sporting Organisations for people with Disability (NSOD).
- Athletes must be able to demonstrate their selection for the international event is based on an appropriate selection process and is fully endorsed by the relevant national sporting organisation.
- For national competition athletes must have their participation endorsed by their relevant state sporting organisation.
- Coaches and/or identified carers of a TIS scholarship athlete with disability must be endorsed by the TIS.
- Applications must be received before departure to the competition. No retrospective applications will be accepted.
- Grants will cover eligible costs incurred by the successful applicant, up to a maximum amount of $3,000.00 for each national or international sporting competition.
- Eligible costs covered by the Fund include competition registration fees, travel (including additional baggage and freight of essential equipment) and accommodation for the eligible applicant.
- Funding the applicant receives from other sources (e.g NDIS) should be detailed and attached to the application.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Mail, Email
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G10897/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G10897/apply
Email: damian.mansfield@tis.tas.gov.au

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Sporting Schools Grants - Term 1, 2026

Funding Provider
Australian Sports Commission

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19444

Primary Category
Sport and recreation

Eligible to
School

Funding
Amount: $1,000 to $4,150 (approx)
Total Pool: Unknown

Rounds
Opens **16 Feb 2026** Closes **6 Mar 2026**

Last Round
Closed **14 Nov 2025**

Purpose

Sporting Schools offers grant opportunities for primary schools, and targeted grant opportunities for secondary schools in relation to year 7 and 8 students.

Overview

Grants support the delivery of sport-based programs to help students build the confidence and capability to be active for life. Sporting Schools has partnered with more than 35 national sporting organisations (NSOs) to facilitate delivery of Sporting Schools programs.

The objectives of Sporting Schools are to:

- engage primary school students in free, high-quality sport programs at school
- engage secondary school students (Years 7-8) in free, high-quality sport programs at school, particularly inactive students, girls, and students attending schools in disadvantaged areas
- establish partnerships between sporting organisations and schools to promote involvement in sport outside of school
- develop the capability of schools and teachers to provide students with positive sport experiences
- build the capability of coaches and the sport workforce
- support life-long involvement in sport and physical activity to enhance health and wellbeing.

Limitations

Eligibility:

Any Australian school registered with their respective state or territory school registration authority, which has an Australian Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority (ACARA) ID listed on the Australian Schools List website, can register with Sporting Schools.

To be eligible to apply for a Sporting Schools grant, a school must:

- be registered with Sporting Schools;
- provide valid bank details (name, account name, BSB and account number). Note, Account details can refer to the registered school's general account or a department of education account in the event of a shared service arrangement (such as those currently in place for NSW and WA Department of Education schools)
- have no outstanding debts with the Australian Sports Commission, whether in relation to Sporting Schools or otherwise
- not be an organisation named by the National Redress Scheme for Institutional Child Sexual Abuse on its list of Institutions that have not joined or signified their intent to join the Scheme
- to submit **a primary school grant application** - be registered as a primary, combined, or special school with enrolled primary school-aged students (from years P-6); and/or
- to submit a **secondary school grant application** - be registered as a secondary, combined, or special school with enrolled secondary school-aged students in years 7 and/or 8.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19444/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19444/apply
Email: support@sportingschools.gov.au **Phone:** 1300 758 707

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Sports Club and Active Recreation Support Program

Funding Provider
Cassowary Coast Regional Council

Location
Cassowary Coast

Funding Type
Cash Grant G18497

Primary Category
Sport and recreation

Eligible to
Not-for-Profit

Funding
$400
Total Pool: $7,500

Rounds
Closes **30 Apr 2026**

Purpose

The Sports Club and Active Recreation Insurance Support Program provides responsive funding support for public liability insurance for not for profit sports and active recreation clubs withing the Cassowary Coast Local Government Area.

Overview

Local not-for-profit clubs can apply for $400 to assist with costs such as public liability insurance, affiliation fees, or volunteer development.

- Total program funding: $7,500 for 2025-2026
- Applications accepted until funding is exhausted
- Open to clubs with at least 20 active members
- Clubs can still apply for other funding streams within the Community Grants and Support Program

Limitations

Stream criteria

- Applicants must be a local or regional level Queensland not for profit sport or active recreation organisation undertaking the sport or active recreation activities listed in Table One: Eligible Sport or registered Activity Provider for the Queensland Government's FairPlay Vouchers and be operating withing the Cassowary Coast Local Government Area.
- Applicants much provide their certificate of currency, and receipt or an insurance renewal notice for public liability payable or paid within the current financial year.
- Applications can be retrospective provided that the application is for insurance paid or payable within the current financial year.
- Eligible organisations may only submit one application per round of the Program.
- Applicants must have a membership of 20 or more active members.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G18497/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G18497/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G18497/apply
Email: community@ccrc.qld.gov.au **Phone:** 1300 763 903

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Sports Voucher program

Funding Provider
Office for Recreation, Sport and Racing (SA)

Location
SA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G14629

Primary Category
Sport and recreation

Eligible to
- Individual

Funding
$100
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The aim is to increase the number of children participating in physical activity by helping to reduce cost as a barrier.

Overview

The Sports Voucher program provides a discount of up to $100 on sport, dance, learn to swim or scouts/guides fees for children living in South Australia in Reception to Year 9, each calendar year.

Each eligible child can claim 2 x $100 vouchers per calendar year. Both vouchers can be used with the same provider

Find a registered Sports Voucher activity provider using our Find a Provider online tool.

Limitations

Eligibility

- 2025 vouchers are available to all South Australian children from Reception to Year 9 (this means the child would be born between 2010 to 2020 inclusive)

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G14629/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G14629/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G14629/apply
Email: sportsvouchers@sa.gov.au **Phone:** 1300 714 990 (option 2)

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Strategic Racing Initiatives Program

Funding Provider
Department of Justice & Community Safety (VIC)

Location
VIC

Funding Type
Cash Grant G13995

Primary Category
Sport and recreation

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Business

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Strategic Racing Initiatives program supports the three racing codes to implement strategic projects which support the long-term growth and viability of the Victorian racing industry.

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Overview

The program will support the implementation of strategic projects for the benefit of racing across Victoria.

The VRIF Strategic Racing Initiatives program objectives are to:

- support appropriate breeding programs across the three racing codes
- support the welfare of racing animals and the wellbeing of jockeys, trainers, drivers, and participants
- support projects that underpin the sustainable growth and viability of the racing industry
- support projects which are integral to the strategic plans of the three racing codes
- support projects which uphold and improve the integrity of racing in Victoria.

Grants will be provided on a cash co-contribution basis of up to 50 per cent of the total eligible budget expenditure.

This is an open program with no specific funding rounds. It is recommended that applications are submitted at least 3 months prior to the expected commencement date of the project.

Limitations

Eligible applicants

The following organisations are eligible to apply for a Strategic Racing Initiative grant:

- Racing Victoria Limited
- Country Racing Victoria
- Harness Racing Victoria
- Greyhound Racing Victoria
- Racing clubs licensed under section 24A of the *Racing Act 1958*. This includes HRV Management Limited (trading as Tabcorp Park) and racing clubs registered as part of the Wimmera Racing Club
- Racing clubs licensed by Racing Victoria Limited as a picnic racing club
- Racing clubs licensed by Harness Racing Victoria as a graduation club.

The following organisations are eligible to apply for funding under the VRIF with written support from the relevant controlling body:

- associated racing industry bodies and stakeholders, for example the Victorian Jockeys' Association, Australian Trainers' Association (Victorian Branch)
- Racing Analytical Services Limited
- Association of Victorian Country Harness Racing Clubs.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G13995/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G13995/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G13995/apply
Email: vrif@justice.vic.gov.au

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SwimStart vouchers

Funding Provider
Department of Tourism and Sport (QLD)

Location
QLD

Funding Type
Cash Grant G13785

Primary Category
Sport and recreation

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$150
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **12 Jun 2026**

Last Round
Closed **30 May 2025**

Purpose

SwimStart is a new voucher program to support learn to swim activities for 0 to 4 year olds.

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Overview

When a round is open, parents, carers or guardians can apply for a voucher valued up to $150 for their child, which can be used towards swimming lessons with#aregistered SwimStart activity provider. There is a limit of 1 voucher per child per financial year.

Vouchers expire: 19 June 2026 for parents/guardians

Limitations

To be eligible to receive a Voucher, a child or young person must:

1. be an Eligible Child;
2. not have been issued with a Voucher in the current round; and
3. have complied with the terms and conditions of a voucher issued under SwimStart vouchers, where the child or young person has received a voucher under a previous Round. [NB: Where the Department has sought repayment of any funds in relation to a voucher issued under previous Rounds of SwimStart for the Eligible Child, then the Eligible Child will not have complied with the terms and conditions of a voucher].

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G13785/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G13785/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G13785/apply
Email: swimstartvouchers@sport.qld.gov.au **Phone:** 13 74 68

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Telstra Footy Country Grants

Funding Providers
AFL
Telstra

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19663

Primary Category
Sport and recreation

Eligible to
Not-for-Profit

Funding
$20,000
Total Pool: $2,000,000

Rounds
Closes **23 Jul 2026 5pm (AEST)**

Purpose

The Telstra Footy Country Grants is designed to financially assist initiatives that can support Community Clubs affiliated to the AFL to strengthen the base and secure the future.

Overview

The Telstra Footy Country Grants three key strategic areas are:

- Grow and assist volunteer capacity.
- Grow and diversify participation.
- Improve club environments and experiences.

Whether it's upgrading to an electronic scoreboard, upskilling volunteers or introducing new initiatives to attract more participants, Telstra Footy Country Grants aims to provide tangible support for clubs and alleviate the challenges they may face.

Applications for Round 1 are now open and the following dates represent a cut-off for when applications are considered. For example, if you were to miss Round 1, you can still apply; however, the outcome of your application won't be known until after the Round 2 closure date.

- Round 1: Monday 1st December 2025 to 11:59pm (AEDT) Sunday 1st February 2026
- Round 2: Monday 2nd February to 11:59pm (AEST) Thursday 2nd April 2026
- Round 3: Friday 3rd April to 11:59pm (AEST) Sunday 24th May 2026

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- Round 4: Monday 25th May to 5pm (AEST) Thursday 23rd July 2026

Application outcomes will be provided via email and you should expect to receive an update at:

- Round 1: Week of Monday 2nd March 2026
- Round 2: Week of Monday 4th May 2026
- Round 3: Week of Monday 22nd June 2026
- Round 4: Week of Monday 17th August 2026

Limitations

Who is eligible to apply for this grant?

All Community Club's affiliated to the AFL can apply. Excluded are VFL, VFLW, SANFL, SANFLW, WAFLW and WAFL clubs as well as umpiring groups.

What will not be funded?

- Facilities improvements or#acquisitions other than those associated with new electronic#scoreboards and behind the goal netting.
- Payments for services provided by coaches, trainers, administrators, 3rd party presenters, 3rd party club development providers.
- Costs associated with catering, facilities improvements or acquisitions, advertising or room hire.
- iPads, iPhones, laptops and printers
- Equipment for existing teams i.e new footballs, sports tape, water bottles, coaches vests etc
- Costs for activities and/or programs currently offered by the club's league, region, state body or the AFL.
- Player payments or League competition fees.
- Projects that require ongoing funding assistance or routine or cyclical maintenance works.
- Retrospective funding for a project that commenced or has been completed more than three months ago.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19663/info

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19663/apply

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The ClubGRANTS Scheme

Funding Provider
Clubs NSW

Location
NSW

Funding Type
Cash Grant G00338

Primary Category
Sport and recreation

Eligible to
- TAFE
- Not-for-Profit
- School
- State Govt
- University
- Local Govt
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
Total Pool: $100,000,000 (approx)

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

ClubGRANTS is designed to ensure that larger registered clubs in NSW contribute to the provision of front-line services to their local communities; and to ensure that the disadvantaged in the community are better positioned to benefit from the substantial contributions made by those clubs. ClubGRANTS also facilitates contributions by larger clubs towards infrastructure to support sporting, health and community activities.

Overview

ClubGRANTS is one of Australia's largest grant programs, providing more than $100 million in cash each year to a variety of worthy causes across NSW.

Funding categories

1. **Category 1 -** You are considered eligible for Category 1 funding if your project falls under specific community welfare and social services, community development, health services and employment assistance activities,

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and other projects aimed at improving the living standards of low income and disadvantaged people. Application deadlines apply.
2. **Category 2 -** Funding for general community development and support activities, such as junior sport/grassroots sport or veteran welfare activities. **Applications are open all year round.**
3. **Category 3 -** Funding is available to support projects that assist communities with essential infrastructure and disaster readiness. see information here

Funding

Due in part to the different sizes of ClubGRANTS-eligible clubs, there is no standard limit on the amount clubs may provide. However, it is advisable for applicants to contact the Local Committee and consider the amount of funding available in their area. Local Committees and clubs are also in a position to advise on any area-specific limits on funding amounts.

A note on deadlines

There is no standard state-wide closing date for ClubGRANTS Category 1 or 2 funding.

Category 1 funding is allocated on the basis of local government areas, and Local Committees set their own deadlines, which vary from area to area. Opening and closing dates are available on the Find Your Local Grant Round page.

All funding is processed locally and community groups can contact their local clubs easily and at any time for information and advice.

Limitations

Eligibility criteria

To be eligible to apply, you must able to provide the following project and/or services:

- community welfare or social services,
- community development,
- community health services or employment assistance activities.

You are also eligible if you or your organisation is involved in community or professional sport.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G00338/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G00338/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G00338/apply
Website: https://www.clubgrants.com.au/find-your-local-grant-round **Email:** enquiries@clubsnsw.com.au **Phone:** 1300 730 001

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Ticket to Play

Funding Provider
Department of Communities (TAS)

Location
TAS

Funding Type
In-kind Contribution U00129

Primary Category
Sport and recreation

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$100
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **29 May 2026**

Last Round
Closed **30 May 2025**

Purpose

Ticket to Play is a Tasmanian Government program designed to reduce the cost of participating in club sport for young Tasmanians.

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Overview

Ticket to Play is a Tasmanian Government initiative designed to reduce the cost of sport and active recreation membership and/or registration for eligible children.

Ticket to Play provides two vouchers worth up to $100 each towards club membership fees for children aged 5-18 years who are listed on a Centrelink Health Care or Pensioner Concession Card or are in Out of Home Care. Vouchers can be used at two different activity providers, or both can be used at one activity provider.

The key objective of Ticket to Play is to increase the number of young Tasmanians participating in sport and active recreation.

Limitations

Who is eligible for a voucher?

Applicants must be:

- aged between 5 and 18 years old at the time of application; and
- listed on a valid Services Australia Health care or Pensioner Concession Card or
- be in approved out of home care or
- a temporary or provisional visa holder, undocumented migrant or international student.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00129/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00129/apply
Email: tickettoplay@active.tas.gov.au **Phone:** 1800 252 476

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Touring Grants

Funding Provider
Events Tasmania

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G00495

Primary Category
Sport and recreation

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Local Govt
- Business
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
$20,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Events Tasmania is committed to increasing the number of people coming to Tasmania, and ensuring that they travel around the state while they are here.

Overview

Grants of up to $20,000 are available to each eligible organisation who conducts a touring activity.

Grant amounts are based on a sliding scale of attendance numbers and number of nights spent in Tasmania as part of the touring activity.

Limitations

Eligibility

Applicants must meet the following eligibility criteria:

- Be registered for tax purposes in Australia with a continuously active Australian Business Number (ABN) on or before 30 June 2025.
- Conduct a touring activity between March and November (inclusive).
- Attract more than 40 people from outside Tasmania, who stay five nights or more in paid commercial accommodation.

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- Spend 40 per cent or more of the touring activity in regional areas (outside Greater Hobart).
- Apply two months prior to the touring activity start date

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G00495/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G00495/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G00495/apply
Contact: Events Tasmania
Email: info@eventstasmania.com **Phone:** 1300 880 634

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Alice Anderson Fund

Funding Provider
LaunchVic

Location
VIC

Funding Type
Impact Investment U00122

Primary Category
Start-up

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Business

Funding
Amount: $50,000 (approx) to $300,000 (approx)
Total Pool: $10,000,000

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Alice Anderson Fund is a $10 million angel sidecar fund that co-invests in women-led startups with private sector investors.

Overview

LaunchVic will co-invest between $50,000 - $300,000 to be matched 3:1 by the investor.

Named in honour of one of Victoria's great women entrepreneurs, the Alice Anderson Fund will support up to 60 women-led startups over the next three years and unlock up to $40 million in early-stage capital.

The fund co-invests between $50,000 and $300,000 in early-stage deals put forward by investors to increase the funding pool available to Victorian women.

Their investment is structured so that only 85c in the dollar is taken as equity; the rest is provided as a non-dilutive grant to the startup. This gives our women-led startups an extra upside.

How can I access the fund as a Founder?

Investors apply on a founder's behalf for this opportunity, so we recommend engaging with an angel network or VC firm to access the fund. You can find a full list of investors over at findingstartups.launchvic.org.

Limitations

The following Investor applicants are eligible to apply to The Alice Anderson Fund: •

- An individual Angel investor
- An Angel Network
- ESVLCP (Early-Stage Venture Capital Limited Partnerships)
- Managed Investment Scheme
- A Family Office
- Interstate and international Individual Angels Investors, Angel Networks, Family Offices, or EarlyStage VC Funds are permitted to apply.

The Investee Company must satisfy the following eligibility criteria:

- It must be Woman-led.
- It must be a Startup.
- It must be Victorian-based.

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- It must NOT be involved in the following activites;
    - Tobacco or tobacco-related products;
    - Cluster munitions and other controversial weapons;
    - Thermal coal;
    - Gambling;
    - Logging of old growth forests;
    - Uranium;
    - Unregulated animal testing;
    - Live cattle and/or sheep exports; or
    - Fracking.

The following applicants are ineligible to apply:

- Applications from Startups seeking investment.
- Applications from investors into small or medium enterprises (as opposed to startups); and
- Applications from investors into later-stage startups or scaleups.

And, finally, your startup must have at least 50% of its assets and employees located in Victoria and meet LaunchVic's definition of a startup.

LaunchVic will invest between $50,000 - $300,000 in conjunction with private sector investors. As part of this, LaunchVic will take an 85 per cent contribution as equity, while the remaining 15 per cent will go to you as a non-dilutive grant.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00122/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00122/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00122/apply
Email: investments@launchvic.org

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Breakthrough Fellowship program

Funding Provider
Breakthrough Victoria

Location
VIC

Funding Type
Scholarship S05757

Primary Category
Start-up

Eligible to
- University
- Individual
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
$150,000
Total Pool: $7,500,000

Rounds
Closes **7 Apr 2026**

Purpose

The Breakthrough Fellowship program is a $7.5 million initiative designed for current undergraduates, postgraduates, or recent graduates from a Victorian university or research institute who want to commercialise their own research (e.g. PhD research) or their team's research.

Overview

Breakthrough Fellows will receive an investment up to $150,000 in newly formed start-up companies via convertible notes.

The objectives of the Breakthrough Fellowship are to:

- Stimulate pipeline opportunities and give Victorian universities a world-leading edge in commercialising research.
- Create jobs and provide lived experience within scientific founders to enable a thriving entrepreneurial research ecosystem.

Under the Breakthrough Fellowship program, Breakthrough Victoria will invest up to $150,000 per startup. Each startup must focus on commercialising research conducted by the founders or associated university professors. Fellows

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will receive a salary between $60,000 and $90,000 from the invested capital, ensuring financial stability during their entrepreneurial journey. The remaining funds will support additional hiring or product development.

Limitations

Applicants must meet the following criteria to be eligible:

- Be a current or recently completed (
- Have a research project (based on their own PhD thesis or their research team) with commercial potential in fields of advanced manufacturing, agri-food, digital technologies, health and life sciences, or clean economy.
- Be able to finalise their research by a specified date to enable cohort-based start-up experience.
- Eligible to work in Australia and can hold a company director position.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05757/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05757/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05757/apply
Email: fellowship@breakthroughvictoria.com

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Grants for Pre-accelerator Programs

Funding Provider
LaunchVic

Location
VIC

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19630

Primary Category
Start-up

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Business

Funding
$400,000

Rounds
Closes **28 Jan 2026 5pm (AEDT)**

Purpose

This initiative provides both existing and new organisations with the opportunity to apply for funding to deliver a pre-accelerator program for startups.

Overview

LaunchVic welcomes pre-accelerators targeted on the Victorian Government's priority sectors including health technologies, circular economy, agribusiness, digital technologies including AI and quantum, and advanced manufacturing and defence. Sector agnostic pre-accelerators may also apply, however they should demonstrate a strong AI or DeepTech component in their service delivery.

The successfully funded Pre-Accelerator Programs will:

- Encourage the creation of AI and DeepTech startups, by helping entrepreneurs bring their ideas to life and create an MVP
- Increase the pipeline of quality startups entering accelerator programs in Victoria; and
- Support startups to be successful beyond the program by providing guidance, resources, networks, and planning to help them scale.

Limitations

The proposed program can be a new or existing Pre-Accelerator program. The program must primarily support Victorian Startup Entrepreneurs (over the age of 18). The funder is not providing funds directly to Startups or Startup Entrepreneurs through this Grant Round.

The types of organisations that are eligible to apply include a:

- a) Registered company/organisation headquartered in the State of Victoria; or
- b) Registered company/organisation with an office in the State of Victoria; or

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- c) Registered company/organisation located outside the State of Victoria (in Australia) proposing a program to be delivered in the State of Victoria; or
- d) An experienced delivery team (as per Criteria 2 in the guidelines) who agrees to setup a new company to primarily run the Pre-Accelerator Program and register the new entity in Victoria before contract execution.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19630/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19630/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19630/apply
Email: grants@launchvic.org

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Hugh Victor McKay Fund

Funding Provider
LaunchVic

Location
VIC

Funding Type
Cash Grant G13450

Primary Category
Start-up

Eligible to
- Individual
- Business

Funding
$200,000
Total Pool: $2,000,000 (approx)

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The fund co-invests between $100,000-$200,000 into early-stage AgTech startups.

Overview

With every dollar of funding to be matched by two dollars of private investment, the fund will activate more than $6 million in total capital for founders building the future of on-farm productivity and sustainability.

The objectives of The Hugh Victor McKay Fund are to:

- Increase in early-stage investments (value and number of AgTech deals)
- increased support for AgTech founders to scale, leading to an increased number of scaleups, jobs and export revenues
- Leveraging the Government's funding at a ratio of at least 2:1.

Limitations

The following Investor applicants are eligible to apply to The Hugh Victor McKay Fund:

- An individual Angel investor
- An Angel Network
- ESVLCP (Early-Stage Venture Capital Limited Partnerships)
- Managed Investment Scheme
- A Family Office
- A university venture fund
- Interstate and international Individual Angels Investors, Angel Networks, Family Offices, or EarlyStage VC Funds are permitted to apply.

The following applicants are **ineligible** to apply:

- Applications from Startups seeking investment.
- Applications from investors into small or medium enterprises (as opposed to startups)
- Applications from investors into later-stage startups or scaleups
- Applications from related parties
- Applications from funds utilising only public funding. The Hugh Victor McKay Fund may co-invest in rounds that include funding from public funds but the application must be made by a private sector investor and the Hugh Victor McKay Fund will only leverage investment provided by private investors.

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Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G13450/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G13450/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G13450/apply
Email: investments@launchvic.org

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Landing Pads program for Start-ups

Funding Providers
Australia Unlimited
The Australian Trade and Investment Commission (Austrade)

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Scholarship G08094

Primary Category
Start-up

Eligible to
- Individual
- Business

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Landing Pads provide start-ups with a workspace for up to 90 days in a global innovation hub, along with access to coaching, investors, customers, training and networking events.

Overview

The program provides market-ready scaleups with an operational base and customised support for their overseas expansion goals.

Scaleups participate in an immersive program in one of Austrade's 6 Landing Pad cities: Bengalaru, London, New York, San Francisco, Shanghai and Singapore.

Landing Pads provide:

- a dedicated Landing Pad manager
- a co-working space
- access to in-market Entrepreneurs in Residence
- connections to local founder communities
- introductions to Austrade customer networks, partners and contacts.

Limitations

Landing pads are designed for scaleups ready to expand to global sales and partnerships.

Applicants should:

- have an established product
- be market fit
- have a customer acquisition strategy
- have some market leads.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G08094/info
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G08094/apply
Email: landingpads@austrade.gov.au **Phone:** 13 28 78

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Seed-Start Grant SA

Funding Provider
Department for Innovation and Skills (SA)

Location
SA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G12668

Primary Category
Start-up

Eligible to
Business

Funding
Amount: $50,000 to $500,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Opens **1 Mar 2026**

Last Round
Closed **14 Nov 2025**

Purpose

The Seed-Start program operates through the Government of South Australia's Research and Innovation Fund (RIF) to provide financial support for early-stage, high-growth potential businesses.

Overview

Eligible startups are invited to apply for funding through this competitive grant program to assist with the cost of commercialising a product or service that is unique and has a sustainable competitive advantage in#national#and international markets.

The applicant should demonstrate how this funding would support the costs of#delivering#a#clearly#defined#project#that will#generate significant#benefits,#such as revenue#growth, export income, local employment or#other social benefits#to#South Australia.

It is split into two funding options, Seed and Start, based on a business' stage of development;

- Seed Grants
  - Grant funding: $50,000 to $100,000
  - At least a 2:1 basis ($2 Government to $1 Applicant)
  - Up to 2-year funding period
- Start Grants
  - Grant funding: $100,001 to $500,000
  - At least a 1:1 basis ($1 Government to $1 Applicant)
  - Up to 3-year funding period

Eligible expenditure for grant funding and matched funding includes the following activities and/or items that are critical for the delivery of the proposed project:

- salaries and consumables directly attributed or critical to the delivery of the project
- accessing specialist professional services
- access to and acquisition of specialist equipment, hardware, software, and service provider fees
- accessing or protecting intellectual property rights
- prototyping and development of a Minimum Viable Product
- scholarships, study tours, undertaking market research/testing and engaging with major customers and investors
- travel expenses for testing, market development of the product/service, capital raising and other partnership or investment opportunities
- data procurement and efforts to obtain regulatory approval.

Eligible applicants must first submit an EOI Application form. EOI Applications are open on an ongoing basis unless otherwise stated.

Limitations

To be eligible an applicant must:

- be based in South Australia
- be a company incorporated in Australia with an active Australian Business Number (ABN)
- be a non-tax-exempt business
- be registered for Goods and Services Tax (GST)
- have a combined annual turnover of less than $1 million for each of the three financial years prior to the lodgement of the application.

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If based outside of South Australia, there may be special circumstances which merit consideration of an applicant however the State Government may impose a contractual obligation on the applicant (if successful) to relocate and maintain the relevant enterprise (in whole or part) in South Australia.

An applicant must consider the Assessment Criteria outlined in the section below before applying, including the requirement to provide a strong case for the need for grant funding. An application will not be considered where:

- retrospective grant funding is sought
- other funding sources are deemed better suited to the proposed project.

If an applicant has previously received a grant from the South Australian Government for the same project, or a stage of the project, then the applicant is not entitled to further funding from this program. An applicant is permitted to apply for a different or subsequent stage of the project having demonstrated progress and acquittal of previous funding from the South Australian Government.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G12668/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G12668/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G12668/apply
Email: rifcontact@sa.gov.au

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Bendigo Bank Agribusiness Scholarship - TAFE

Funding Provider
Bendigo Bank

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Scholarship S05495

Primary Category
Students

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
Amount: Undisclosed to $3,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **31 Jan 2026**

Last Round
Closed **31 Jan 2025**

Purpose

The Rural Bank TAFE scholarship program aims to assist students who have been offered a place at an Australian TAFE to study for the first time in 2024 and are experiencing challenging circumstances.

Overview

The Scholarship program supports the following study related expenses – accommodation costs, course costs (excluding HELP fees and/or HELP loans), study-related materials/equipment, textbooks, tutoring and /or education related travel (within Australia).

The scholarship award value is **$3,000 per year for 1 year** for each successful recipient, subject to the criteria specified above and satisfactory academic performance.

Applications are encouraged from Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, people living with a disability, people from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds and those who identify as LGBTQA+.

Limitations

Qualification criteria:

- You will be a first time TAFE student, studying on a full-time or part-time basis
- You have been offered a place to commence study in 2026 at an approved Australian TAFE institute campus
- You will be studying an eligible* agribusiness or agriculture course/qualification **(Certificate I, II, III or IV, Diploma, Advanced Diploma or Associate degree)** in an approved Australian course at an Australian TAFE or college campus; You can be studying on campus and/or off campus (including online)
- You can be of any age to apply for this scholarship - Students under the age of 18 years will require parental/ guardian consent to accept this scholarship

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Also;

- You are an Australian citizen or permanent resident
- You are studying an agribusiness, agriculture or related course
- You can demonstrate leadership both within, and outside, your school community
- You can demonstrate the challenging circumstances (financial &/or social) hindering your ability to undertake further study; and
- You can demonstrate academic achievement and community involvement.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05495/info

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05495/apply
Phone: 1300 304 541

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Bendigo Bank Agribusiness Scholarship - University

Funding Provider
Bendigo Bank

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Scholarship S05494

Primary Category
Students

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$6,000

Rounds
Closes **31 Jan 2026**

Last Round
Closed **31 Jan 2025**

Purpose

The Rural Bank university scholarship program aims to assist students who have been offered a place at an Australian university or College to study at Bachelor's degree level for the first time in 2024 and are experiencing challenging circumstances.

Overview

The scholarship supports accommodation costs and/or other expenses directly related to the study of successful applicants e.g. - course costs, study related materials/equipment, text books, tutoring and educational travel within Australia.

The scholarship award value is $6,000 per year for 2 years for each successful recipient, subject to the criteria specified above and satisfactory academic performance.

Limitations

Qualification criteria:

- You will be a first-time, first year tertiary student studying an **undergraduate bachelor's degree** level in 2026.
- You will be studying full time in an agribusiness or agriculture related bachelor degree or qualification, in an approved Australian course, at an Australian university or college campus, that will enable you to contribute to the Australian agribusiness sector;
- You can be of any age to apply for this scholarship - Students under the age of 18 years will require parental/ guardian consent to accept this scholarship.

Also;

- You are an Australian citizen or permanent resident
- You are studying an agribusiness, agriculture or related course
- You can demonstrate leadership both within, and outside, your school community
- You can demonstrate the challenging circumstances (financial &/or social) hindering your ability to undertake further study; and
- You can demonstrate academic achievement and community involvement.

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Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05494/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05494/apply
Phone: 1300 304 541

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School Transport Assistance Scheme (STAS)

Funding Provider
Department of Transport and Main Roads (QLD)

Location
QLD

Funding Type
Cash Grant G04250

Primary Category
Students

Eligible to
- School
- Individual

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Department of Transport and Main Roads provides assistance under the School Transport Assistance Scheme (STAS) in situations where access to education is impeded by distance, income or isolation.

Overview

STAS has been designed as a scheme for those students who do not have a school close to their residence. It has undergone considerable change over the years to also include assistance to the most disadvantaged students in the state, with specific assistance targeted at isolated students and low income families.

Assistance available under STAS covers the journey between home and school and school and home. For this reason, the distance between an applicant's principal place of residence and nearest state school is the main criterion used for establishing eligibility under STAS. As well as meeting general eligibility criteria, applicants must meet the specific criteria that apply to the type of assistance sought.

Type of assistance available:

- Bus and ferry assistance
- Rail travel assistance
- Conveyance allowance
- Drought assistant
- Assistance for isolated students
- Assistance for students living is shared care arrangements

Limitations

General eligibility

All types of STAS assistance require that a student:

- have parents/guardians who reside in Queensland
- attend an approved school
- are 18 or younger
- require transport assistance to and from one home address only
- make 2 or more trips per week by the same mode of transport.

Students may be eligible for school transport assistance if they:

- have parents/guardians who are residents of Queensland
- are independent students who are residents of Queensland
- attend an approved school or an alternative program approved by the Queensland Department of Education
- are younger than 19 years of age prior to commencing secondary study
- are seeking transport assistance from one residential address and to one school facility

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- this address must be the principal place of residence of the student's parent or guardian
- for students with shared custody, parents must select one address to be used to assess STAS eligibility. For shared custody arrangements, the principal place of residence of only one parent/guardian can be nominated. It is the responsibility of parents/guardians to determine the principal place of residence used to assess eligibility for STAS.

- are travelling more than 1 trip per week.

Students are not eligible to apply for school transport assistance if they are:

- pre-prep and kindergarten students
- mature age students
- overseas, interstate and exchange students
- TAFE students
- distance education students
- tertiary students.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G04250/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G04250/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G04250/apply
Website: https://translink.com.au/contact-us

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Study NT: International Student Accommodation Grant

Funding Provider
Department of Industry, Tourism and Trade (NT)

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19768

Primary Category
Students

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **15 May 2026 5.30pm ACST**

Purpose

The Study NT International Student Accommodation Grant Application. This grant assists international students with the cost of their relocation to the Northern Territory (NT) of Australia.

Overview

The Study NT International Student Accommodation Grant Application. This grant assists international students with the cost of their relocation to the Northern Territory (NT) of Australia.

The accommodation will be at:

1. UniLodge Darwin (available to all international students enrolled with a NT education and training provider) or
2. CDU Village Casuarina (available for CDU students only).

In making this application you are representing to the Northern Territory Government that:

- You currently live outside the Northern Territory.
- You will be moving to Darwin from interstate or overseas.
- You hold a valid Student Visa (subclass 500).
- You have enrolled to study with a Northern Territory education provider.
- Your course is at least 24 weeks long and starts before 1 June 2026.
- You understand and accept that accommodation is subject to availability.
- You have signed a six-month accommodation contract and pay any associated fees with that contract.
- You have not or will not be receiving the UniLodge Darwin International High Achievers Accommodation Scholarship (2026).

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Limitations

Applicants must:

1. Be outside of Australia at time of application (evidence will be required).
2. Not be an Australian or New Zealand citizen or Australian permanent resident.
3. Not have previously received funding under the International Student Travel Grant program.
4. Be planning to move to the Northern Territory from outside of Australia.
5. Have been granted a valid student visa (subclass 500).
6. Arrive in the Northern Territory before 1 June 2025 and provide evidence of intended travel (flight itinerary) and costs with their application.
7. Not have received any other Study NT grant funding (i.e. Study NT Accommodation Grant/Study in Australia's Northern Territory Scholarship Program).
8. Be a current international student enrolled for the next period of study with a Northern Territory International Education and Training provider, or a future student intending to enrol with a Northern Territory international education and training provider. Proof of Certificate of Enrolment is required.
9. Not be an international student enrolled in short courses or non-accredited courses. Courses must be a minimum duration of 24 weeks to be eligible for application under this grant.
10. Be enrolled in a course that commences prior to 1 June 2025.
11. Open or have an Australian bank account in the Applicant's name and have an Australian address for receipt of funding (payment will be made to the Applicant following arrival in the Northern Territory, and upon verification of bank account details and address by Study NT).

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19768/info
Email: StudyNT@nt.gov.au **Phone:** 08 8999 7500

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Aviation Attraction Fund

Funding Provider
Department of State Growth (TAS)

Location
TAS

Funding Type
Cash Grant G16147

Primary Category
Tourism

Eligible to
Business

Funding
Total Pool: $5,000,000

Rounds
not defined

Purpose

The Tasmanian Government has committed $5 million over four years to the Aviation Attraction Fund to enable Tasmania to be agile and swift in leveraging opportunities by partnering with Tasmanian airports to increase capacity in the Tasmanian market.

Overview

The objective of the program is to support economic growth and creation of jobs and opportunities for Tasmanians by building inbound capacity and patronage to Tasmania.

The fund provides up to:

- $2 million to open new domestic routes and to extend existing seasonal routes, and
- up to $3 million for direct international flights.

The Fund will be open for applications from 2:00pm, 13 January 2025. Applications will be considered in order of receipt until funds for the relevant stream are fully committed.

Funding is available under two streams:

International direct air access: see application form

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- This stream is open to current and/or new international direct air access that will support delivery of the program objectives.
- Applications are to be made by a Tasmanian airport and supported by an airline. All applications must be jointly funded by both the Tasmanian airport and the airline.

A total of up to $3 million will be allocated to this stream.

New routes and seasonal routes (domestic) see application form

- This stream is open to proposals for new routes and extensions to seasonal routes.
- Applications are to be made by a Tasmanian airport and supported by an airline. All applications are required to be supported and jointly funded by both the Tasmanian airport and the airline.
- Applicants will be required to make a minimum co-contribution of 50 per cent for the domestic stream.

A total of up to $2 million is allocated to this stream.

Limitations

Eligible applicants must:

- Operate an airport in Tasmania that supports, or is demonstrated to be capable of supporting, regular passenger services of the type proposed.
- Have the appropriate authorities, licences, insurances, and approvals as required to operate the proposed service.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G16147/info
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G16147/apply
Email: aviationfund@stategrowth.tas.gov.au

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Boosting Business Events Bid Fund Program

Funding Provider
Tourism Australia

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G08457

Primary Category
Tourism

Eligible to
Business

Funding
Amount: $50,000 to Undisclosed
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **30 Jun 2026**

Last Round
Closed **31 Jul 2024**

Purpose

The BFP is designed to deliver conversion of new business in situations where Australia is bidding against international competitors for the right to host the business event.

Overview

Managed by Tourism Australia's specialist business unit, Business Events Australia, the Business Events Bid Fund Program (BFP) is a subvention fund designed to increase the conversion of new international business events for Australia through the offer of financial support at the critical bidding stage. The BFP is designed to deliver conversion of business in situations where Australia is bidding against international competitors for the right to host the business event.The BFP supports expenditure on goods and services within Australia for the purposes of delivering confirmed, qualified business events. The BFP does not subsidise administrative, logistics or marketing costs for international bids, for example for overseas travel for client meetings or marketing materials.

The provision of funds via the BFP is designed to ensure a material difference to the event costs. This can include, but is not limited to hard costs for accommodation, venue hire, transport and other event costs in the Australian destination.

Funds from the BFP will only be accessible once the specific bid application has been confirmed for Australia and contracts are finalised. Funds will be provided in instalments and will be dependent on the delivery of key performance metrics and achievement of delegate numbers, as outlined in BFP contract.

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Tourism Australia recognises that bidding for international business events is ongoing and therefore there are no deadlines for submissions to the BFP. **Please note however that the BFP is only available to support bids where an international decision is made by 30 June 2026 and where the event is being held by 31 December 2029.**

Limitations

Mandatory Eligibility Criteria

All submissions to the Bid Fund Program (BFP) will be assessed against the following Mandatory Eligibility Criteria. Before submitting your application, please ensure you have reviewed and addressed the following:

- The BFP is designed to increase the conversion of new and qualified international business events. Submissions to the BFP must be for new and qualified face to face business events.
- The BFP is designed to support international business events being held entirely in Australia. No dual international destination events will be considered or virtual events.
- Submissions to the BFP must request funds to cover actual event costs, including but not limited to accommodation, venue hire, transport and other event costs.
- Submissions must not be for the purposes of administrative, logistics or marketing costs for bids, or for marketing collateral or delegate acquisition.
- The BFP is not for the purposes of supporting the delivery of existing business events being held in Australia. Already confirmed business events will not be considered. Requests for support for international delegate acquisition activities for existing business events in Australia should be made via Tourism Australia's Advance Program.
- Submissions must be for a minimum of A$50,000 (excluding GST).
- A bid application cannot be submitted after the international decision date has lapsed.
- All bid submissions are subject to a minimum four-week turnaround time and applicants have allowed enough time in their application for this process.
- If the bid decision has not been made by the specified international bid submission date, TA has the right to release the pledged or supported BFP funding.
- A bid that is supported in a specific year cannot roll into future financial years and a new bid application for the future year must be submitted.
- Submissions must be able to demonstrate the economic value of the event to Australia. Events with the highest return on Tourism Australia's investment will be prioritised for the BFP however Tourism Australia will allocate funding in its sole discretion.
- Submissions must demonstrate at least matched cash funding to the requested BFP funds, note that an in-kind contribution is not considered as part of matched funding.
- For international association events, meetings and exhibitions, submissions must demonstrate that the event for which support is requested will attract a minimum of 400 international visitors.
- For international incentive events, submissions must demonstrate that the event will attract a minimum of 700 international visitors and/or bring an economic value of more than A$3 million to Australia.
- Applicants must have the legal capacity to be able to enter into an agreement with Tourism Australia in accordance with Australian law.
- Applicants must not be insolvent and must be in good financial standing to enter into an agreement with Tourism Australia.
- Applicants must agree to transparency with Tourism Australia regarding bid details, economic impact calculations, lead agencies, additional support requested and/or secured from other entities and financial information. As such, all applicants must provide supporting documentation if requested by Tourism Australia.
- Applicants must respond to all mandatory questions in the BFP application form in order to submit an eligible submission. Tourism Australia reserves the right to reject submissions that did not complete all mandatory questions.
- Applicants must agree that any support already secured through other programs does not contravene BFP Terms & Conditions, reporting requirements, and key performance indicators (KPIs).
- Applicants must comply with all applicable Australian laws and Tourism Australia policies, including those relating to work health and safety, privacy, anti-bribery, modern slavery, corruption and insurance requirements.
- If applicable, submissions must demonstrate any economic benefit due to regional dispersal of event or delegates, i.e. pre/post touring, an event or part of an event being held in a regional destination.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G08457/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G08457/guidelines

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G08457/apply
Email: bea@tourism.australia.com

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Business Events Attraction Fund

Funding Provider
Events Tasmania

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G13279

Primary Category
Tourism

Eligible to
- TAFE
- Not-for-Profit
- School
- University
- State Govt
- Business
- Local Govt

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The program aims to help deliver a regionally balanced event portfolio for Tasmania, spread across the calendar year.

Overview

The Events Tasmania Event Attraction Fund provides funding over four years to secure significant participation based events in Tasmania that, in turn, provide substantial economic benefits for the state.

Mass participation based events have a large registrant base made up of people who gather for a shared interest ranging from sport to science or motorbikes to music. There is often a competition element to these events, and the registrants often travel with friends and family. These events are a direct trigger for travel as visitors are drawn to the state specifically for the event.

Please contact Business Events Tasmania to discuss your event and we will talk you through the application process. Applicants for Events Tasmania Attraction Fund support are required to enter in a grant deed with the Tasmanian Government.

Limitations

Who should apply?

Applications are welcome from any eligible Australian organisation.

The eligibility requirements are:

- The ability to bring at least 750 interstate visitors to Tasmania for a minimum of three nights/four days. The visitor number can include registrants and their accompanying parties.
- The ability to substantiate visitation and other claims made in the application. This may include previous registrant data, economic impact studies and income and expenditure budget.
- The ability to enter into a funding agreement with the Tasmanian Government.
- Have or be willing to obtain public liability insurance to the value of $20 million
- Meet the requirements to hold an event within the requirements as outlined in the Tasmanian Government Framework for COVID-19 Safe Events and Activities.

What isn't supported?

Events Tasmania's funding programs don't support conferences, conventions, symposiums, touring productions, trade fairs, fundraising events, expos and events that are primarily a showcase for stallholders to demonstrate, promote or sell services or products.

If an event already receives funding from Events Tasmania they are not eligible for funding from the Events Tasmania Attraction Fund for the same event.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G13279/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G13279/guidelines
Email: info@eventstasmania.com **Phone:** 03 6231 1366

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Championship Grants

Funding Provider
Events Tasmania

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G06823

Primary Category
Tourism

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Business
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
$10,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The aim of the Championships Grant program is to support the hosting of national and international championship and sporting events in Tasmania, driving increased visitor numbers to the state by attracting high-profile competitions

Overview

The grant seeks to boost Tasmania's profile as a premier destination for sports tourism, generate economic benefits for local communities, and promote regional dispersal of visitors. The program also aims to foster community pride and engagement, while enhancing Tasmania's reputation as a host for competitive and high-calibre championship events.

Grants of up to $10,000 are available to organisers of eligible competitions, championship and sporting events that:

- Attract more than 100 people from outside Tasmania who stay three nights or more in paid commercial accommodation (hotel, motel, B&B, cabin).
- Promote pre- and post- championship travel as part of their event marketing.

Grant amounts are determined by the number of interstate or international visitors the championship or sporting event will attract, and when and where in Tasmania the championship or sporting event will be held.

Limitations

Applicants must meet the following eligibility criteria:

- Be registered for tax purposes in Australia with a continuously active Australian Business Number (ABN) on or before 30 June 2025.
- Host a competition, championship, or sporting event that attracts more than 100 people from outside Tasmania, who stay a minimum of three nights or more in paid commercial accommodation*.
- Promote pre- and post-championship travel as part of the event marketing.
- Apply at least two months prior to the event start date.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G06823/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G06823/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G06823/apply
Email: info@eventstasmania.com **Phone:** 6165 5022

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Distribution Grant Program

Funding Provider
Tourism NT

Location
NT

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19848

Primary Category
Tourism

Eligible to
Business

Funding
$5,000

Rounds
Closes **30 Mar 2026**

Purpose

Tourism NT is providing grant funding to support Northern Territory tourism businesses in their efforts to increase their product offerings in distribution.

Overview

In 2025-26 the program places a particular focus on attracting and welcoming inbound Chinese visitors with the commencement of direct air access from Guangzhou.

The program supports:

- Implementation of an approved online booking system (such as Room Manager, Rezdy, Newbook, RMS, Fareharbor). Support can also be provided for data entry to transfer existing bookings into the new system
- Advice on adapting existing product and itineraries for new international markets
- Trade training programs (ie China host, ATEC, QTF) and cultural awareness training for staff
- Translation services which could include but is not limited to:
    - Signage
    - Menus
    - Audio guide content
    - Safety video production

Up to $5,000 in support is available per eligible business application. A 50:50 co-contribution is required for booking systems, product diversification and training programs. Within the funding cap, up to $3,000 is available without co-contribution for translation activities, in support of the incoming China Southern flights.

Limitations

To be eligible, applicants must:

- Have a tourism focus, operating in the NT and employing resident Territorians
- Be legally constituted and Australian-registered
- Hold a current Australian Tourism Data Warehouse (ATDW) listing
- Be a member of a peak industry body (Tourism Top End, Tourism Central Australia, Hospitality NT)

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19848/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19848/apply
Email: distribution.tourismnt@nt.gov.au **Phone:** 08 8999 3921

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Event Marketing Tasmania Grant Program

Funding Providers
Events Tasmania
Department of State Growth (TAS)

Location
TAS

Funding Type
Cash Grant G18195

Primary Category
Tourism

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Business
- Local Govt
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
Amount: $2,500 to $10,000
Total Pool: $280,000

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The program seeks to support marketing initiatives that promote and attract audiences to events held in Tasmania between 1 July 2025 and 30 June 2026.

Overview

The aim of the Events Tasmania Marketing Grant Program 2025-2026 is to provide grants to the organisers of events in Tasmania to increase visitation to their event.

The grant program is designed to cater for both large and small events, with two tiers of funding available for events with either intrastate or interstate visitation targets.

Grants between $2,500 and $10,000 are available to support event organisers in enhancing their existing marketing strategies for established Tasmanian events. Grants are available until the available funding allocation has been fully allocated, or the program has closed - whichever occurs first.

Applicants must choose to apply for either Tier 1 or Tier 2:

- Tier 1: Grants between $2,500 and $5,000 are available for events primarily targeting an intrastate (within Tasmania) audience.
- Tier 2: Grants between $5,001 and $10,000 are available for events targeting an interstate (outside Tasmania) audience.

Limitations

Applicants must meet the following eligibility criteria:

- Be registered for tax purposes in Australia with a continuously active Australian Business Number (ABN) on or before 30 June 2024.
- Be an event organiser delivering an event in Tasmania between 1 July 2025 and 30 June 2026.
- The event must not be a new event; it must have been held previously.
- Submit an application at least six weeks prior to the event commencing.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G18195/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G18195/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G18195/apply
Email: info@eventstasmania.com **Phone:** 03 6165 5022

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Major Event Fund

Funding Provider
Visit Canberra

Location
ACT

Funding Type
Cash Grant G13247

Primary Category
Tourism

Eligible to
Business

Funding
Amount: $50,000 to $500,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Major Event Fund supports this commitment by delivering a mechanism for investing in, supporting and leveraging major events in Canberra.

Overview

The Major Event Fund is an ACT Government funding program administered by VisitCanberra.

The ACT Government is committed to growing and nurturing Canberra's visitor economy, along with developing and supporting a diverse events calendar that reflects the essence and character of the Canberra region.

It has been established to support major event opportunities that can:

- drive substantial economic impact for Canberra through event-based tourist visitation and visitor spend, and by filling identified gaps in Canberra's annual events calendar.
- provide opportunities for marketing and promotion of the Canberra region to key domestic and (when applicable) international audiences.
- provide high quality, enticing event experiences which support and enhance the Canberra brand, generate city vibrancy and profile Canberra as a leading tourism and events destination.
- reflect, engage and involve Canberra's diverse communities.

The cooperative nature of the Major Event Fund requires supplementary financial investment from event partners to fund the necessary acquisition, creation, development and operational delivery of proposed events.

VisitCanberra considers and assesses Major Event Fund applications in line with the following criteria:

- Economic Benefit.
- Marketing Impact.
- Social and Community Benefit and Event Leveraging Opportunities.
- Event Management Capacity and Capability.

Funding

The minimum amount of funding per Major Event Fund application that may be applied for is $50,000, with a maximum funding request of $500,000.

It is important to note that the cooperative nature of the Major Event Fund requires supplementary financial investment from event partners to fund the necessary acquisition, creation, development and operational delivery of proposed events.

Funding support through the Major Event Fund will not be provided to underwrite events.

Applications to the Major Event Fund should ideally be submitted 6 months prior to the commencement of the event. This provides sufficient time for the application assessment phase to be completed, and in the case of successful applications, time to develop a funding agreement and ensure the most effective use of the funding support being provided.

Application process

While there is no standard application format for the Major Event Fund, applicants will be required to submit an application that clearly addresses each of the Evaluation Criteria outlined in Section 8 of the guidelines (including relevant supporting prompts listed under these criteria).

Where possible, each Evaluation Criteria should be addressed under a separate heading/section of the application. This will ensure that assessment panel has the necessary information required to make a thorough assessment.

Applicants are strongly encouraged to meet and discuss their proposal with VisitCanberra prior to submitting an application.

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Limitations

VisitCanberra will not provide funding for the following:

- Conferences.
- Events and activities that have limited capacity to meet relevant evaluation criteria.
- Applications from individual persons.
- Capital projects, equipment, staffing and capital costs associated with the conduct of the event.
- Events that are proposed to be predominantly staged outside of Canberra.
- Events or organisations that have previously failed to acquit funds provided by the ACT Government.
- Underwriting support for an event.
- Retrospective event activity.

Funding applicants must also:

- have a current Australian Business Number (ABN).
- hold Public Liability Insurance (PLI) with a reputable insurer for the sum of no less than $20 million per incident and present a current certificate of currency with the application.
- agree to indemnify the Territory, its employees and agents from and against all actions, suits, claims, costs and demands directly or indirectly arising from the operation of the business.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Email
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G13247/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G13247/guidelines
Contact: Jonathan Kobus
Email: jonathan.kobus@act.gov.au **Phone:** (02) 6205 3185

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Major Events Fund

Funding Provider
South Australian Tourism Commission

Location
SA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G13132

Primary Category
Tourism

Eligible to
- TAFE
- School
- Not-for-Profit
- University
- State Govt
- Individual
- Business
- Local Govt

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Major Events Fund has been set up by the South Australian Government to secure, support or develop new major events for the state.

Overview

Events South Australia takes a strategic approach to the development of the state's event calendar by securing major one-off leisure events that generate tourism and promote South Australia as a destination of choice. This approach ensures there is a balance of activity across the year and that key venues, facilities and services are used.

The Major Events Fund supports events on a case-by-case basis. There is no open or close date for applications. Applications to the Major Events Fund are assessed in line with the fund's criteria and the ability of the event to:

- Attract a large number of visitors from South Australia's key domestic and international tourism markets
- Generate significant media coverage and economic benefits for South Australia
- Provide positive profiling opportunities for South Australia through media and branding opportunities
- Deliver an exclusive opportunity to South Australia and uniqueness of the event
- Contribute to a balanced annual calendar of events by taking place in off-peak tourism and event periods
- Positively contribute to the cultural and social fabric of the state

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- Provide an opportunity or pathway for Events South Australia to bid for other desired national or international major events
- Have a lead time of 18 months or longer
- Financially sustainable and do not rely solely on government funding for event viability

Limitations

Applications can be received from legal entities that can demonstrate equivalent experience with the capacity and motivation to deliver and achieve positive results for the event and the State.

If you are unsure if your event is eligible for funding or would like to discuss your event opportunity, please email the Business Development Team at esa@sa.gov.au.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Email
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G13132/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G13132/guidelines
Email: esa@sa.gov.au

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Major Events Funding

Funding Provider
Tourism WA

Location
WA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G11139

Primary Category
Tourism

Eligible to
- TAFE
- Not-for-Profit
- School
- State Govt
- University
- Individual
- Local Govt
- Business
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Events contribute to Western Australia's economy by creating jobs, driving dollars into the local economy, filling hotel rooms and generating bookings. For the community, they add to the vibrancy of Perth and Western Australia and supercharge the State's reputation as a fantastic place to live, work, study and play.

Overview

These range from sporting and arts events to culinary and cultural events, for locals and visitors to enjoy.

Tourism WA are frequently approached by federations, authorities, corporations and individuals with requests for event funding.

Funding proposals for major events are assessed on a case-by-case basis however they must be submitted at least 12 months prior to the event date.

Funding

The Events Division at Tourism WA is allocated a maximum level of funding each year. Sometimes, an event which matches the criteria is presented but there are insufficient funds.

If funding is available then the process for considering the event proposal will continue. If there are insufficient funds, the applicant will be advised that, although if an initial analysis justifies further consideration, the Event's Divisions inability to fund the event prohibits the process going any further. Should funds become available, then the analysis will continue. Events that expand into weekdays are also a positive.

Application

Events seeking funding through the Major Events Funding must submit their proposals to events@westernaustralia.com at least 12 months prior to the event date.

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Limitations

Other criteria

- Does the event build equity in WA?
- Is the event WA owned?
- Is the event exclusive to WA?
- Can the event be managed in Western Australia?

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Email
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G11139/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G11139/guidelines
Email: events@westernaustralia.com

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Regional Events Fund - Stream 1 - Regional Event Acquisition (REA)

Funding Providers
Visit Victoria
Department of Jobs, Skills, Industry and Regions (DJSIR) (VIC)

Location
VIC

Funding Type
Cash Grant G07784

Primary Category
Tourism

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Business
- Local Govt
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
$1,000,000
Total Pool: $20,000,000

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The $20 million Regional Events Fund supports events held in regional Victoria, showcasing our regional tourism strengths and building Victoria's reputation as an events destination.

Overview

The REF supports the attraction, development, marketing and growth of events in regional Victoria with the aim of:

- increase economic benefits by driving visitation from outside of the region and the State and extending length of stay and yield;
- showcase Victoria's key regional tourism strengths and build Victoria's reputation as an events destination; and
- develop a sustainable calendar of regional events.

The REF is available through three funding streams:

- **Regional Event Acquisition (REA)**
- Event Growth and Development (EGD) - Stream Two
- Event Industry Support (EIS) - Stream Three

Stream 1 - **Regional Event Acquisition (REA) - up to $1 million.**

One off or ongoing major events for the State, held in regional locations that:

- are exclusive to Victoria
- have the capacity to attract large scale visitation from core markets
- are of international or national significance
- deliver national and/or international profile to a region due to the scale of the event
- Elite sport, not amateur or junior events.

All applicants must discuss their proposed event with Visit Victoria or your Regional Tourism Board. After this, you will be invited to submit a proposal.

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Limitations

Eligible Applicants Applications will be considered from:

- Private sector organisations (where projects will deliver a clear public benefit);
- Victorian Local Government Authorities;
- Regional Tourism Boards (RTB); or
- Not for profit organisations, including sporting, cultural and community groups that are an incorporated body, cooperative or association.

Funded organisations must:

- have an Australian Business Number (ABN); and
- have a minimum of $20 million public liability insurance and other relevant insurance cover.

Ineligible events:

The REF will not allocate funding to support:

- Community events;
- Agricultural/country shows;
- Charity fundraising events;
- Regional racing carnivals;
- Business events and conferences;
- Events with religious ceremony or celebration as the principal focus such as Easter or Christmas celebrations; and
- Community public holiday celebrations

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G07784/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G07784/guidelines
Email: events@visitvictoria.com.au

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Regional Events Fund - Stream 2 - Event Growth and Development (EGD)

Funding Providers
Visit Victoria
Department of Jobs, Skills, Industry and Regions (DJSIR) (VIC)

Location
VIC

Funding Type
Cash Grant G17341

Primary Category
Tourism

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Local Govt
- Business
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
$500,000
Total Pool: $20,000,000

Rounds

Opens **2 Feb 2026** Closes **27 Mar 2026**

Opens **1 May 2026** Closes **30 Jun 2026**

Opens **3 Aug 2026** Closes **30 Sep 2026**

Opens **1 Feb 2027** Closes **30 Mar 2027**

Opens **1 May 2027** Closes **30 Jun 2027**

Last Round
Closed **24 Sep 2025**

Purpose

The Regional Events Fund (REF) has been established to attract and support events held in regional Victoria, that bring visitors from outside the region, create job opportunities and contribute to the local visitor economy.

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Overview

The REF supports the attraction, development, marketing and growth of events in regional Victoria with the aim of:

- increasing economic benefits by driving visitation from outside the region, and the State, and extending length of stay and yield;
- showcasing Victoria's key regional tourism attributes and build Victoria's reputation as an events destination;
- delivering strong benefits to the host region's community;
- and developing a sustainable calendar of regional events.

Event Growth and Development (EGD) Up to $500,000

- Events that can demonstrate plans to achieve economic impact
- Existing events that have demonstrated economic impact growth
- Existing events that have demonstrated innovation in delivery and/or content
- Medium to large scale events
- Capacity to attract intrastate and interstate visitation
- Events of national, state or regional significance.

Please note: Round dates and timings are subject to change at the discretion of Visit Victoria

Limitations

Eligible Applicants

Applications will be considered from:

- Private sector organisations (where projects will deliver a clear public benefit);
- Victorian Local Government Authorities;
- Regional Tourism Boards (RTB); or
- Not for profit organisations, including sporting, cultural and community groups that are an incorporated body, cooperative or association.
- Joint proponents/consortia applications (identifying the consortia lead agency for funding).

Funded organisations must:

- have an Australian Business Number (ABN); and
- have a minimum of $20 million public liability insurance and other relevant insurance cover.

Ineligible events

The REF will not allocate funding to support:

- Community events;
- Agricultural/country shows/farmers markets;
- Charity fundraising events;
- Regional racing carnivals;
- Business events and conferences, including trade/exhibitor shows;
- Events with religious ceremony or celebration as the principal focus such as Easter or Christmas celebrations; and
- Community public holiday celebrations.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G17341/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G17341/guidelines

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G17341/apply
Email: events@visitvictoria.com.au

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Regional Events Fund - Stream 3 - Event Industry Support (EIS)

Funding Providers
Visit Victoria
Department of Jobs, Skills, Industry and Regions (DJSIR) (VIC)

Location
VIC

Funding Type
Cash Grant G11532

Primary Category
Tourism

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Local Govt
- Business
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
$50,000
Total Pool: $20,000,000

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The $20 million Regional Events Fund supports events held in regional Victoria, showcasing our regional tourism strengths and building Victoria's reputation as an events destination.

Overview

The REF supports the attraction, development, marketing and growth of events in regional Victoria with the aim of:

- increase economic benefits by driving visitation from outside of the region and the State and extending length of stay and yield;
- showcase Victoria's key regional tourism strengths and build Victoria's reputation as an events destination; and
- delivering strong benefits to the host region's community; and
- develop a sustainable calendar of regional events.

The REF is available through three funding streams:

- Regional Event Acquisition (REA) - Stream One
- Event Growth and Development (EGD) - Stream Two
- Event Industry Support (EIS)

Stream 3 - Event Industry Support (EIS) - Up to $50,000

Events that:

- have the capacity to attract intrastate and interstate visitation
- are of state or regional significance
- rebuild tourism in regions impacted by natural disasters or designated areas of priority
- Investment will generate an audience commensurate with funding request

Stream 3 funding opens monthly each year, with the exclusion of December and January, through to June 30, 2027.

Limitations

Eligible Applicants Applications will be considered from:

- Private sector organisations (where projects will deliver a clear public benefit);
- Victorian Local Government Authorities;
- Regional Tourism Boards (RTB); or
- Not for profit organisations, including sporting, cultural and community groups that are an incorporated body, cooperative or association.
- Joint proponents/consortia applications (identifying the consortia lead agency for funding).

Funded organisations must:

- have an Australian Business Number (ABN); and
- have a minimum of $20 million public liability insurance and other relevant insurance cover.

The REF will not allocate funding to support:

- Community events;
- Agricultural/country shows/farmers markets;
- Charity fundraising events;
- Regional racing carnivals;
- Business events and conferences, including trade/exhibitor shows;

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- Events with religious ceremony or celebration as the principal focus such as Easter or Christmas celebrations; and
- Community public holiday celebrations.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G11532/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G11532/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G11532/apply
Email: events@visitvictoria.com.au

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Regional Tourism Development Loan Scheme

Funding Provider
Department of State Growth (TAS)

Location
TAS

Funding Type
Low Or No-interest Loan U00462

Primary Category
Tourism

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Business

Funding
Amount: $100,000 to $3,000,000
Total Pool: $50,000,000

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The scheme is available to promote investment in tourism products and experiences that stimulate regional tourism and dispersal in Tasmania.

Overview

The $50 million Regional Tourism Development Loan Scheme is now open for applications.

Loans are available between $100,000 and $3 million. The interest rate is highly concessional, for the first three years, with a commercial rate to apply for the remaining term of up to two years. The current variable interest rate is 3.85%.

Applicants must meet eligibility criteria and projects are assessed against priorities of the *2030 Visitor Economy Strategy* – a strategy developed to provide a collective longer-term vision for Tasmania's visitor economy – including stimulation of year-round visitation, authenticity, sustainability and accessibility.

The scheme will open for applications until 2pm, 30 June 2026 or until all funding has been utilised, whichever occurs first.

Key details

- Minimum loan amount $100,000, maximum loan amount $3 million.
- Loan term up to 5 years.
- Highly concessional interest rates apply for the first three years, with commercial rates to apply after year 3.
- Principal repayments must commence no later than 1 year after the initial drawdown of the loan.
- Loan security must include freehold security up to a maximum Loan to Value Ratio (LVR) of 80 per cent.
- Loans must be repaid in full or fully refinanced at the end of the agreed loan term.

To apply for a loan:

1. Read these guidelines and consider the eligibility criteria.
2. Discuss your lending requirements with your bank to determine if your bank can fund, or partly fund, the planned expenditure or project.
3. Discuss your proposal with your financial or business advisors.
4. Email the Department of State Growth on rtdls@stategrowth.tas.gov.au, in the first instance, to arrange a discussion of your proposal.
5. To apply, State Growth will provide a link to SmartyGrants. SmartyGrants is an easy-to-use online loan and grant management system that can be accessed via mobile phone, tablet, or computer.

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Limitations

Eligibility

Business eligibility

To be eligible for a loan, your business must hold an active Australian Business Number (ABN) and be registered for Goods and Services Tax (GST).

The following businesses are ineligible:

- Any public company under the meaning as defined in the Corporations Act 2001. Not for profit public companies are eligible.
- Any state, federal or local government body, government agency or government business enterprise.
- Businesses that have, or are projecting, an annual turnover of less than $75,000.
- Any applicant that is under external administration or subject to bankruptcy or similar proceedings.
- Applicants with unsatisfactory statutory payment and lodgement obligations including taxation and superannuation.
- Third party submissions on behalf of a business owner.

To be eligible for a loan under this scheme you must demonstrate:

- That your project promotes growth in regional tourism in Tasmania and encourages regional dispersal outside Hobart CBD (generally projects more than 15kms from Hobart will be eligible).
- That your project is a quality offering aligning with the Tasmanian brand, supported by market demand and a strong business case, supporting an ability to service the loan.
- That key people within the business have the skills and experience necessary to manage the proposed operation.
- That the proposed product or service will create jobs and how the business intends to attract and sustain the workforce it requires.
- That project planning (for example plans, approvals, building quotes/contracts) is well progressed to support commencement of construction within 9 months of application (note - this program is open for two years and as such you are encouraged to apply once your project is well progressed).
- How the planned expenditure will prioritise Tasmanian procurement of goods and services to the maximum extent possible.
- A satisfactory ability to manage project contingencies and cost overruns.
- That the loan sought from the Tasmanian Government under this scheme is required and that the project cannot be funded on commercial terms through normal banking channels.
- That your project is supported by your Regional Tourism Organisation (RTO).

Your project will also be assessed against how it supports priorities of the government's *2030 Visitor Economy Strategy* including stimulation of year-round visitation, authenticity, sustainability and accessibility.

Ineligibility criteria also apply to this loan scheme – please check the guidelines before applying.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00462/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/U00462/guidelines
Email: rtdls@stategrowth.tas.gov.au **Phone:** 1800 440 026

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Tour Guide Training Support

Funding Provider
Department of Tourism and Hospitality (NT)

Location
NT

Funding Type
Rebate G19310

Primary Category
Tourism

Eligible to
Business

Funding
$5,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **26 Apr 2026 1:25 AM (ACST)**

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Purpose

Tourism NT is providing funding to assist with building a capable tour guide workforce in the Northern Territory.

Overview

Stream 1

Up to $5,000 is available for NT-based tour operators (applicants) who conduct tours in the Northern Territory to train new tour guides (entrants). The program is designed to streamline training for entrants and offers flexibility.

The program will reimburse the applicant for pre-approved training upon completion of any of the following training components:

1. HLTAID011: Provide First Aid
2. HLTAID005: Provide First Aid in Remote Situations*
3. Heavy vehicle training and licence (Light Rigid, Medium Rigid or Heavy Rigid)*
4. MAR20321: Certificate II in Maritime Operations (Coxswain Grade 1 Near Coastal)* and MARC043 Transmit and receive information by maritime radio*
5. MARSS00008: Shipboard Safety Skill Set*
6. TLIC0023: Operate a four-wheel drive vehicle (including defensive driving and 4WD training recovery)
7. Becoming a Tour Guide (Savannah Guides)
8. EcoGuide Certification (Savannah Guides)*
9. China Guide Ready (ATEC)
10. Mandarin language classes (Darwin Language School)
11. Other: provide a strong business case as to why an alternative training component that is not listed above is required for your business.*

*Eligible courses to upskill existing tour guides.

Stream 2

Limited funding is available for Chinese and Japanese language speaking guides with commitments to deliver guiding services within Kakadu National Park and/or Uluru Kata Tjuta National Park.

1. VTP230 Kakadu Knowledge for Tour Guides
2. VTP229 Uluru and Kata Tjuta Knowledge for Tour Guides.

Limitations

To be eligible for Stream 1, businesses must:

- be legally constituted
- be an Australian registered business and a Territory enterprise
- have a permanent presence in the Northern Territory and employ Territory based guides
- have a touring product or products that require tour guides
- have a current Australian Tourism Data Warehouse (ATDW) listing
- have an online booking system, be in the process of implementing one, or provide a strong business case as to why a booking system is not required for your business
- be a member of a peak industry body.

To be eligible for Stream 2, businesses must demonstrate a commitment to delivering NT itineraries targeting the Chinese or Japanese markets. Approval is at the discretion of Tourism NT.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19310/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19310/apply
Email: strategy.tourism@nt.gov.au **Phone:** 08 8951 8158

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Financial assistance for breast cancer treatment

Funding Provider
Young Pink Sisters

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G09004

Primary Category
Women

Eligible to
- Individual

Funding
$600
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

To provide immediate financial assistance and relief to those who are struggling to meet the financial demands of their breast cancer treatment.

Overview

Breast cancer can be terribly unpredictable – and the treatment is almost always expensive. Unexpected expenses can crop up at a moment's notice, whether it be an urgent round of chemotherapy, an increase or change in medication, or appointments for tests, scans – or even a hospital stay.

As the Young Pink Sisters are made up only of women who have survived or who are still fighting breast cancer, they all know how that feels – and that the added financial pressure on top of dealing with the pain and anxiety that goes with having breast cancer can sometimes be just too much to bear.

The funds come from donations and fundraising events and, as they are a not-for-profit organisation, 100 per cent of the money raised goes to helping women in need.

They have made it as uncomplicated as possible to ensure that their assistance to you is as immediate as you need it to be. All you have to do is to present your breast cancer-related medical bill to validate your need for assistance and they will provide it – up to $600 worth. For details, or to apply simply send Young Pink Sisters an email.

For details, or to apply simply send an email or visit https://youngpinksisters.org.au/contact/

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Email
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G09004/info
Contact: Lauren Bryant (Founder)
Email: info@youngpinksisters.org.au **Phone:** 0410 517 781

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General grants for gender equality

Funding Provider
Department of People, Sport and Culture (NT)

Location
NT

Funding Type
Cash Grant G17979

Primary Category
Women

Eligible to
- TAFE
- School
- Not-for-Profit
- University
- Individual
- Local Govt
- Business
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
$5,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **31 Dec 2025**

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Purpose

Funding is available to eligible individuals, organisations or community groups for a project, service or activity that promotes gender equality in the Northern Territory.

Overview

Gender inequality affects the whole community, including women, men, and members of the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer, Intersex and Asexual (LGBTQI+) communities.

If you would like to undertake a project, service or activity which addresses intersectional gender-based inequalities you can apply for a general grant of up to $5,000.

Limitations

Funding is available to individuals and organisations.

To be eligible for funding an individual must

- have met acquittal requirements for all previous funding (this grant) and complied with all other accountability requirements
- have met acquittal requirements for previous grants from this department and complied with all other accountability requirements
- have met acquittal requirements for all previous Northern Territory Government grants and complied with all other accountability requirements
- have adequately demonstrated that the grant will not duplicate funding already provided under this or other Northern Territory Government funding sources
- have completed all required information in the application form and submitted required documentation in support of your application
- reside in the NT for the duration of funded activity

To be eligible for funding an organisation must

- be physically located and actively operating in the NT. If your organisation is physically located and actively operating outside of the NT you must partner with an NT organisation
- have met acquittal requirements for all previous funding (this grant) and complied with all other accountability requirements
- have met acquittal requirements for previous grants from this department and complied with all other accountability requirements
- have met acquittal requirements for all previous Northern Territory Government grants and complied with all other accountability requirements
- have adequately demonstrated that the grant will not duplicate funding already provided under this or other Northern Territory Government funding sources
- have completed all required information in the application form and submitted required documentation in support of your application
- have an Australian Business Number (ABN) or, if you do not have an ABN, have a completed Statement by a Supplier form (available from the Australia Taxation Office (ATO) website)
- have public liability insurance of at least $10 million
- be registered for Goods and Services Tax if your organisation earns $75,000 or more per year

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G17979/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G17979/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G17979/apply
Email: DPSC.OGED@nt.gov.au **Phone:** (08) 8999 8322

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Historical Forced Adoptions Redress Scheme

Funding Provider
Department of Justice & Community Safety (VIC)

Location
VIC

Funding Type
Cash Grant G13547

Primary Category
Women

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$30,000

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The scheme provides financial redress and support to the many mothers who continue to live with the serious, complex and ongoing effects of the experience of forced separation.

Overview

The scheme is open to mothers who gave birth in Victoria, or were a Victorian resident but gave birth interstate, and were forcibly separated from their newborn babies prior to 1990.

You can also apply to this scheme if you received funding through the Forced Adoption Exceptional Circumstances Fund (ECF).

Redress outcomes provided by the scheme include a one-off financial payment of $30,000. The scheme also offers access to counselling and psychological support, and apology processes.

Limitations

Who can apply?

The scheme is open to mothers who gave birth in Victoria, or were a Victorian resident but gave birth interstate, and who were forcibly separated from their newborn babies before 1990.

Mothers who received a payment from the Forced Adoption Exceptional Circumstances Fund are still able to apply for the scheme.

Applications cannot be submitted on behalf of a person who has passed away.

You can only make one application to the scheme.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Mail, Email
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G13547/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G13547/apply
Address: Historical Forced Adoptions Redress Scheme Department of Justice and Community Safety PO Box 18217, Collins Street East 8003 VIC
Email: forcedadoptions.redress@justice.vic.gov.au **Phone:** 1300 217 425

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Women in Business Advisory Program - Scholarship

Funding Provider
Office for Small & Family Business (SA)

Location
SA

Funding Type
Scholarship G19303

Primary Category
Women

Eligible to
- Individual

Funding

Rounds
not defined

Purpose

The Women in Business Advisory program aims to unlock barriers and improve the success and growth prospects of women-owned and led businesses, creating new jobs and engaging women from diverse backgrounds.

Overview

Applications for the fourth intake of the SA Women in Business Advisory Program-a 50% funded scholarship program by the Government of South Australia, Office of Small and Family Business, in partnership with behind closed doors, are now open for 2026.

This opportunity provides female business owners in South Australia with a **50% scholarship for their first year of membership** in behind closed doors' ongoing Membership Program. Additionally, successful **First Nations business owners can access a fully funded 12-month membership**. Through expert-led coaching, tailored mentorship, and supportive peer networks, you'll gain the skills, tools, and confidence to enhance your leadership and entrepreneurial abilities, scale your business, and explore new market opportunities.

Limitations

Who should apply?

- Female business owners **(with *at least* 50% ownership)** in South Australia, reaching a minimum turnover of $250,000 (not applicable for First Nations entrepreneurs) with a desire to scale their business.
- Female First Nations business owners in SA, earning revenue and eager to grow their business.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19303/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19303/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19303/apply

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Women in STEM and Entrepreneurship Program

Funding Provider
Department of Industry, Innovation and Science

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19765

Primary Category
Women

Eligible to
- TAFE
- Not-for-Profit
- University
- Business

Funding
Amount: $1,000,000 to $2,000,000
Total Pool: $9,770,000

Rounds
Closes **18 Feb 2026 5pm**

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Purpose

The program provides funding to support women in Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) and to eliminate barriers for women's participation in STEM education and careers, including entrepreneurship.

Overview

The Women in STEM and Entrepreneurship program supports investment in gender equity initiatives that aim for lasting systemic change by eliminating barriers for women's participation in STEM education and careers, and entrepreneurship.

The program objectives are to:

- increase awareness and participation of girls and women in STEM education and careers
- increase awareness and participation of girls and women in other parts of the innovation ecosystem including innovative businesses, start-ups and entrepreneurial activities and careers
- increase the number of women in senior leadership and decision making positions in government, research organisations, industry and businesses.

The grant opportunity provides funding to deliver co-designed projects that:

- reduce and/or mitigate systemic and cultural barriers to participation in STEM education, careers, innovation and entrepreneurship by girls and women
- reduce the multiplier effect of intersectional barriers to participation, development and leadership of girls and women in STEM education, careers, innovation and entrepreneurship
- address inequality or discriminationagainst girls and women in STEM education, careers,innovationand/or entrepreneurship, by either:
    - increasingawarenessand understanding of the barriers toparticipation of girlsandwomen in STEMeducation, careers,innovationand/or entrepreneurship
    - increasing participation, development and leadership of girls and women in STEM education, careers, innovation and entrepreneurship, including senior leadership and decision-making positions in government, research organisations,industryand businesses
    - broadening and strengthening networks and support for girls and women in STEM education, careers, innovation and entrepreneurship.

Limitations

You can apply if you:

- have an Australian business number (ABN)
- are one of the following entities:
    - an entity, incorporated in Australia
    - a publicly funded research organisation (PFRO) or publicly funded research agency (PFRA) as defined in section 14 of the grant opportunity guidelines
    - a government or non-government vocational education and training (VET) provider as defined in section 14 of the grant opportunity guidelines, or technical and further education (TAFE) institution
    - an incorporated not for profit organisation.
- meet the additional eligibility requirements specified in the grant opportunity guidelines (section 4.2).

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19765/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19765/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19765/apply
Phone: 13 28 46

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Women's Participation Grant

Funding Provider
Health and Community Services Directorate (ACT)

Location
ACT

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19526

Primary Category
Women

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Individual
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
$25,000
Total Pool: $80,000

Rounds
Closes **13 Jan 2026 3pm (AEDT)**

Purpose

Women's Participation Grants are for projects that improve the lives of women and girls in the ACT and empower women to succeed.

Overview

The Grant Program aims to support projects that promote women and gender diverse people as valued members of the ACT community.

The Grants support innovative projects that address the priorities of the ACT Women's Plan 2016- 26 (ACT Women's Plan) and the supporting Third Action Plan 2023-26. This includes projects or research that have a positive impact on women, girls and gender diverse people by advancing gender equality in the ACT; leading to better understanding or better outcomes for women who experience multiple forms of discriminations due to intersecting factors such as gender identity, poverty, disability, age, violence, trauma, ethnicity, and language barriers

The total funding available under this Program is $80,000.

The maximum grant an individual can apply for is $10,000.

The maximum grant an organisation can apply for is $25,000.

As there is no good or service being exchanged, and the grant is intended to be a contribution, GST is not applicable to grant payments. The value is for one project or initiative only and is non-recurring.

Successful recipients will have 12 months from the date of the Letter of Offer to expend the funding.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19526/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19526/guidelines

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19526/apply
Email: women@act.gov.au **Phone:** (02) 6205 5681

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Women's Return to Work Grants

Funding Providers
ACT Office of Women
Health and Community Services Directorate (ACT)

Location
ACT

Funding Type
Cash Grant G04758

Primary Category
Women

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$2,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The ACT Women's Return to Work Program is an ACT Government initiative that assists women to achieve increased financial independence by helping them prepare for, obtain and maintain employment.

Overview

Women can get the training and education they need to develop job search skills. It also provides access to resources to support their return to work.

All grant recipients will also get access to a one-on-one mentor. They help link women to education and training opportunities, as well as employment pathways.

A grant of up to:

- $1,000 for eligible women
- $2,000 for women in or leaving the Alexander Maconochie Centre (AMC).

The grant can be used for:

- courses
- resources for study
- work clothing.

Limitations

You can apply if you meet all these conditions:

- identify as a woman (including cisgender, transgender, and non-binary people who identify as women)
- are 19 years or older, or younger if you support yourself financially
- live in the ACT or nearby areas (like Queanbeyan, Googong, Bungendore or Yass)
- plan to work in the ACT or nearby areas
- have the legal right to work in Australia
- have a clear and realistic plan to get a job within 6 months or after finishing a course.

You must also have a low or no income. You must meet one of these conditions:

- you are unemployed
- you are working only a few hours
- you are in a low-paying job (earning less than $948.00 per week, which is the national minimum wage)
- you have accepted a new job but haven't been paid yet.

You cannot apply if you:

- have already received a Return to Work Grant
- are on maternity leave or other paid/unpaid leave.

If you don't meet all the criteria you can apply for special consideration.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Mail, Online, Email
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G04758/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G04758/apply
Email: CSDRTW@act.gov.au **Phone:** 02 6205 2885

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Brisbane Broncos Charities Fund

Funding Provider
Brisbane Broncos

Location
QLD

Funding Type
Cash Grant G09518

Primary Category
Youth development

Eligible to
Not-for-Profit
DGR Required

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The major objective of the BBCF is to provide encouragement, assistance and financial support for the underprivileged and disadvantaged youth of Queensland.

Overview

The Brisbane Broncos Charities Fund welcomes applications from Queensland based charities. Financial assistance must be directed to underprivileged and disadvantaged youth of Queensland.

BBCF Meetings are held quarterly in February, May, August and November. All applications must be submitted in the last week of the month prior to be accepted.

Please submit your completed application to: Brigid Donelly at community@broncos.com.au All requests made to the Brisbane Broncos Charities Fund will be responded to in writing, advising of the status of your request within two weeks of being received.

Limitations

Grant application criteria:

- The Brisbane Broncos Charities Fund welcomes applications from Queensland based charities
- Financial assistance must be directed to underprivileged and disadvantaged youth of Queensland
- All applications must be received in writing with an official request from the participating charity AND the Grant Application Form
- Financial assistance is directed to charities which receive little or no Government assistance and/or other special cases which the Trustees deem to warrant such consideration
- All charities applying for assistance must be endorsed by the Australian Tax Office as a Deductible Gift Recipient (DGR) under Item 1 of the table in section 30-15 of the Income Assessment Act 1997
- Unfortunately, the Brisbane Broncos Charities Fund is unable to make donations to individuals.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Email
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G09518/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G09518/apply
Contact: Brigid Donelly
Email: community@broncos.com.au

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Connect IRL Grants

Funding Provider
Department of Premier and Cabinet (NSW)

Location
NSW

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19655

Primary Category
Youth development

Eligible to
Not-for-Profit

Funding
Amount: $10,000 to $250,000
Total Pool: $2,000,000

Rounds
Closes **20 Jan 2026 midnight**

Purpose

Connect IRL Grants provides funding for eligible non-for-profits to support young people, through offline connection, mentoring, safe spaces, and prosocial activities.

Overview

There are four program objectives:

1. Strengthened offline connections by delivering inclusive, pro-social activities and safe discussion spaces that support mental health, foster mutual understanding, reduce isolation, and build peer networks - particularly for those from marginalised, diverse, or geographically isolated communities.
2. Improved young people's interpersonal, civic, and leadership skills through structured mentoring programs that promote healthy relationships, empathy, mutual respect, and active civic participation.
3. Enhanced mentor capabilities by increasing skills, including trauma-informed and lived experience approaches, to enable mentors to more effectively support vulnerable young people in building resilience and confidence within a safe and impactful environment.
4. Strengthened long-term support systems for young people achieved by the inclusion of families/trusted adults leading to a sustainable and holistic support network available to participants beyond the span of the program.

Limitations

Applicants should demonstrate their not-for-profit status by being one of the following:

1. incorporated non-government organisations (not-for-profit)
2. registered Associations under an Act of Parliament
3. registered cooperatives under an Act of Parliament
4. a company limited by Guarantee
5. a company limited by shares (non-profit distributing)
6. a community-based organisation registered or established under an Act that is not-for-profit
7. an Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Corporation registered under the Corporations (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander) Act 2006 (Cth).

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19655/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19655/guidelines
Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G19655/apply
Email: connectedcommunities@premiersdepartment.nsw.gov.au

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Emerging Athlete Pathways subsidy

Funding Provider
Department of Tourism and Sport (QLD)

Location
QLD

Funding Type
Cash Grant G03881

Primary Category
Youth development

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$800
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Emerging Athlete Pathways (EAP) program aims to support eligible young athletes, coaches and officials to progress on a development pathway by providing financial assistance to help alleviate the costs associated with attending state, national and international events.

Overview

The subsidy provides financial assistance to young athletes, coaches and officials selected to attend state, national and international level events to enhance development pathways for Queenslanders.

What funding is available?

Eligible athletes, coaches and officials may apply for funding assistance for up to two (2) events each financial year across any event tiers (applicants can apply for two events of the same tier). Funding can be applied for as soon as they, or their team, have officially been selected to attend the event, up until six (6) months after the event start date. The following subsidy amounts are available under the three event tiers:

- state or state school event—$500
- national or national school event—$600
- international event—$800.

Lodging an application does not guarantee funding.

Limitations

Who is eligible?

Applicants eligible to apply for support are those who:

- have been selected as an athlete, coach, or official at an eligible State, National or International event
- have their selection/attendance confirmed by the relevant event selector or event organiser for their event
- are current resident of Queensland
- have not already been approved (or have submitted an application that is pending approval) under this program for attendance at 2 events (to either compete, coach or officiate) with event start dates within the same financial year
- are at least 10 years of age but under 19 years of age at the start of the event
- are required to travel at least 125km (one-way) from their home to the event location.

Events must be a Queensland State Championship, Queensland State School Championship, Australian National Championship, Australian National School Championship, or International Championship to be eligible. The full list of events is available on the eligible events list.

Detailed eligibility information is available in the EAP guidelines (PDF, 333 KB) and terms and conditions.

Who cannot apply?

Examples of who is NOT eligible to apply are:

- individuals who do not reside in Queensland at time of application;
- any organisation or group incorporated or otherwise;
- children aged under 10 years and adults aged 19 years and over on the start date of the event;
- individuals selected as a shadow player or training partner who are not required to attend the event;
- individuals completing multiple event trips each less than 125kms one-way;
- individuals who do not supply selection documents that meet departmental requirements (Section 7.1); and

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- individuals submitting multiple applications under this program for the same athlete, coach or official for attendance at the same event (for example, where an athlete competes in an event and also officiates).

If unsure of the applicant's eligibility, please email eap@dtis.qld.gov.au before applying.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G03881/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G03881/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G03881/apply
Email: eap@dtis.qld.gov.au **Phone:** 13 74 68

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Grants for rural and regional students

Funding Provider
The Country Education Foundation (CEF) of Australia

Location
NSW
VIC
QLD
NT
SA

Funding Type
Cash Grant G08057

Primary Category
Youth development

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Your local Country Education Foundation supports youth in your area through financial grants for education and employment expenses. Our grants contribute towards apprenticeships, traineeships, cadetships, diplomas, certificate level studies, university qualifications or employment.

Overview

A grant from the Country Education Foundation (CEF) will help you pay for educational purpose costs associated with any post-school educational and training expenses.

Grant applications are generally open during the second half of each calendar year, however each committee has different dates for consideration. You can check with your local foundation opening and closing dates here.

- Shortlisted applicants will be invited for an interview with their local committee.
- Grants will be allocated after interviews have been completed and you are accepted into your chosen course/ apprenticeship/training.

CEF grants are non-cash. Instead you are reimbursed for education expenses, or a supplier can be paid directly. Grants can cover expenses such as accommodation, textbooks, tools for study, petrol, transport, laptops and digital media items.

Limitations

CEF grants are based on financial need, not academic success. You will however, need to demonstrate commitment to achieving your goal. The four essential selection criteria are:

- You have a demonstrated financial need;
- You are aged 16-25 years;
- You have attended school in or currently live in the region covered by your local CEF (view full list HERE) and
- You are able to demonstrate commitment to achieving your goal.

Please note: Grants are unable to be provided for the payment of HECS fees or debt.

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Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G08057/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G08057/apply
Email: info@cef.org.au **Phone:** 02 6362 3162

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Newsboys Foundation Grants

Funding Provider
Newsboys Foundation

Location
VIC

Funding Type
Cash Grant G00824

Primary Category
Youth development

Eligible to
Not-for-Profit
DGR Required

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

To provide grants to community organisations working with disadvantaged young people aged 11 - 21 years in Victoria.

Overview

Applications are invitation only.

A variety of strategies will be considered for support, including programs involving the arts, outdoor education, sport and social enterprises.

The Newsboys Foundation focuses on supporting:

- Young people from low socio-economic circumstances
- Young people in rural and regional Victoria
- Young indigenous people
- Young refugees and asylum seekers
- Young people with disabilities.

Limitations

Community organisations with Deductible Gift Recipient (DGR) and Tax Concession Charity (TCC) status are invited to make an application to the Newsboys Foundation for funding to provide programs and activities for disadvantaged young people aged 11 - 21 years in Victoria.

Generally speaking, grants would not be considered for:

- Individuals
- Retrospective or deficit funding
- Conferences and seminars
- Travel
- General fundraising appeals
- Federal, State and Local Government
- Private schools
- Commercial film making
- Research and surveys
- Ongoing organisational operating costs
- Vehicles for private individual or family use
- Extension of the corpus of another foundation
- Applications made within 12 months of a previous grant being approved or before an existing grant is acquitted
- Requests that are identical to previously submitted, unsuccessful applications.

Grants for community vehicles and scholarships may be made by exception.

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Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Mail, Email
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G00824/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G00824/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G00824/apply
Contact: Sandy Shaw **Address:** Suite 206 153-161 Park Street SOUTH MELBOURNE 3205 VIC
Email: sandyshaw@newsboys.org.au **Phone:** (03) 9682 4077

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Sustainable Futures

Funding Provider
William Buckland Foundation

Location
VIC

Funding Type
Cash Grant G17949

Primary Category
Youth development

Eligible to
Not-for-Profit

Funding

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

Future Transitions supports connections for young people with the jobs and skills of the future.

Overview

Strategic Priorities support:

- Creating education and training pathways for young people
- Building rural futures for young people through agriculture, climate and technology

Currently funding in the regional Victorian Hume area, with a focus on Benalla, Seymour and Shepparton.

Please note: The Foundations granting strategy 2025-2030 will guide their grant making from 1 July 2025 and they will not be holding open grant rounds as they transition to their new strategy. Register your interest and they will let you know which regions they will be focusing on and when any open rounds are coming up

Limitations

Eligible organisations will be ACNC registered Charities and/or public Benevolent Institutions.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G17949/info
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G17949/apply
Email: info@williambucklandfoundation.org.au **Phone:** 1300 133 472

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Transition to Independent Living Allowance (TILA)

Funding Provider
Department of Social Services (DSS)

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G03252

Primary Category
Youth development

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
$1,500
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

To assist some young people who are making the transition from formal out-of-home care to independent living.

Overview

Transition to Independent Living Allowance (TILA) is a payment of up to $1,500 to help eligible young people cover some basic costs as they leave out-of-home care.

Young people aged between 15 to 25 years who are leaving or have already left formal out-of-home care may be eligible for the TILA. TILA is also for young people who continue to live with their foster carers after their care order expires.

The payment can be used to buy items such as a fridge or couch, pay for counselling, education and training courses, medical expenses, a drivers licence or any other items or services agreed between the young person and their case worker.

The allowance can be used for a range of support services as well as training and education materials such as:

- housing – including connecting utilities, moving expenses and bond payment
- essential household items – including appliances, whitegoods, furniture and consumables
- life skills training – including financial/budgeting, nutrition/cooking and home maintenance
- employment, education and training expenses – including books, a computer, enrolment fees, internet connection, clothing for work or interview and transport to undertake studies or employment
- Transport - Your own wheels, purchase or part-payment of a car, motorbike or bicycle, driving lessons, car or motorbike registration and insurance, car or motorbike repairs
- Public transport - Purchase of bus, ferry, train or tram passes, taxi fares to attend studies or employment
- counselling support – to address any issues identified in the transition to independence plan.
- Other items - Items not on this list will be considered on a case by case basis

Talk to your case worker if you think you might be eligible as only a case worker can apply for TILA on your behalf.

If you don't have a case worker, contact your local state government department for child protection to be assigned a case worker:

- Australian Capital Territory (Community Services ACT Government) – (02) 6207 6643
- Northern Territory (Anglicare NT) – (08) 8946 4800
- New South Wales (Southern Youth and Family Services) – 1300 761 961
- Queensland (Qld Department of Child Safety, Seniors and Disability Services) – TILA@dcssds.qld.gov.au
- South Australia (Relationships Australia) - (08) 8419 2042
- Tasmania (Department for Education, Children and Young People) – 1300 654 583
- Victoria (Melbourne City Mission) – 1300 532 846
- Western Australia (Department for Communities, Child Protection Support) – 1800 176 888

Limitations

To receive the allowance the young person must:

- be an Australian citizen or permanent Australian resident who resides in Australia at the time of application for TILA
- be aged from 15 to 25 years at the time of application
- either has been in, or is currently in, formal care on a court order
- left the care of the state or territory statutory department after the age of 15 years and was last in the department's care for a continuous period of at least 6 months
- either be approaching an exit from formal care (within twelve weeks of applying), experiencing an exit from formal care, or have exited from formal care
- have the transition to independence plan

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- has not received the full amount of TILA assistance previously (i.e. can only receive up to a total of $1,500)

The young person and the case worker must have agreed that the proposed use and timing of TILA is appropriate.

Unaccompanied Humanitarian Minors (UHM) are eligible for TILA.

A young person who is discharged from a court order or the order expires, and remains in the living arrangement (such as in the home of the foster or kinship carer or other residence) is eligible for TILA if all the other criteria also apply. TILA is to be used for the benefit of the young person and not for fixed items installed into premises not owned by the young person.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G03252/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G03252/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G03252/apply
Email: TILA@dss.gov.au

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Variety Heart Scholarship (QLD)

Funding Provider
Variety - the Children's Charity

Location
QLD

Funding Type
Scholarship S05759

Primary Category
Youth development

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Opens **1 Jan 2026** Closes **31 Aug 2026**

Purpose

The Variety Heart Scholarship is a competitive scholarship designed to support children with an existing talent who are living with a disability, chronic illness, financial hardship or geographic isolation.

Overview

Variety gives kids scholarships to encourage their achievements and to provide support to help them reach their full potential and follow their dreams. The Variety Heart Scholarships support kids with an existing talent across the arts, education and sport.

Contact the funder for further details.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/S05759/info
Email: kidssupport@varietyqld.org.au

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Young Achiever Awards - Tasmania

Funding Provider
Awards Australia

Location
TAS

Funding Type
Award A00510

Primary Category
Youth development

Eligible to
Individual

Funding

Rounds
Closes **11 Feb 2026**

Purpose

The Tasmanian Young Achiever Awards began in 1989, with the aims to acknowledge, encourage and most importantly promote the positive achievements of all young people up to and including 29 years of age as of 31st December each year. The awards celebrate the achievements of young Tasmanians across a diverse range of fields and encourages them to pursue their goals.

Overview

Award Categories:

- Heather & Christopher Chong Community Service & Volunteering Award
- Home Base Courage to Grow Award
- MAIB Excellence in Leadership Award
- Motors Sports Award
- Raw Strength Sports in the Community Award
- Spirit of Tasmania Tourism and Hospitality Award
- St Lukes Healthier Communities Award
- TADPAC Print Service to the Disability Sector Award
- Take a minute Mental Health and Wellbeing Award

The Awards Gala Presentation will be held on Saturday 9th May 2026

Limitations

Terms and Conditions:

Please see website for conditions of entry.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/A00510/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/A00510/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/A00510/apply
Contact: Awards Australia **Address:** GPO Box 1610 HOBART 7001 TAS
Email: tas@awardsaustralia.com **Phone:** (03) 6234 9677

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Young Achiever Awards - Victoria

Funding Provider
Awards Australia

Location
VIC

Funding Type
Award A00802

Primary Category
Youth development

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Closes **4 Feb 2026**

Purpose

The purpose of the 7NEWS Young Achiever Awards is to acknowledge, encourage and most importantly promote the positive achievements of all young people throughout Victoria, 30 years of age and under as of the 31st December each year.

Overview

Award categories

- Community Bank Doncaster East & Templestowe Village, Bendigo Bank Connecting Communities Award
- IKON Services Environmental Sustainability Award
- Josh's Rainbow Eggs Ethical Business Award
- Kangan Institute Inspirational TAFE Student Award
- Konica Minolta Career Achievement Award
- Little Gigs "Little Victorian's" Achiever Award
- Luminary Tech Visionary Award
- Saward Dawson Community Service and Social Impact Award
- The Victorian Government Group Achievement in the Community Award

Limitations

Terms and Conditions

1. Entry is free. Eligibility for entry is open to all young people 30 years of age and under as of 31 December 2025.
2. Nominees must be a resident of Victoria for a minimum of 2 years. If currently residing outside of Victoria, the nomination activity must be relevant to Victoria.
3. Each nominee can enter a maximum of two categories only.
4. All guidelines should be addressed in your online nomination. Supporting documents and photographs should be attached to your nomination if relevant.
5. All nomination information, photos and supporting material submitted may be used and distributed by the Awards office for media and promotional purposes.
6. Nominees agree to media publicity and promotion associated with the Awards nomination, including the use of photos submitted, or taken at the Awards Presentation ceremony.
7. Nominations close on the 4 February 2026.
8. Finalists should be available and endeavour to attend the Awards Gala Presentation Dinner on 1st May 2026 (inability to attend does not disqualify entry).
9. Previous winners of the Young Achiever Awards are not eligible to nominate again in an Award category they have already won.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/A00802/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/A00802/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/A00802/apply
Address: P O Box 141 Park Orchards 3114 VIC
Email: vicyaa@awardsaustralia.com **Phone:** (03) 9720 1638

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Youth Engagement Quick Response Grants

Funding Providers
Department of People, Sport and Culture (NT)
Office of Youth Affairs (NT)

Location
NT

Funding Type
Cash Grant G07762

Primary Category
Youth development

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Business
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
Amount: $500 to $2,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Youth Engagement Grants Program aims to provide financial support to young people, community groups and organisations enabling young Territorians to engage and participate in a variety of drug and alcohol-free recreational events, personal development and leadership programs.

Overview

Quick Response Grants are available each year from 1 July to 31 May. Grants of up to $500 are available to individual applicants to support participation in events, personal development opportunities and/or leadership programs. Grants of up to $2,000 are available for organisations/community groups to support the participation or coordination of activities that aim to engage young people.

What can be funded?

- Exciting and creative ideas which provide safe and secure entertainment opportunities for young people.
- Programs which encourage the development of skills and attributes such as self-esteem, cooperation and trust for young people.
- Projects that involve young people at all levels; payment compensation for registration or participation fees in an amount up to $500 (including – attendance of programs, summits or short term learning opportunities within the Northern Territory only and/or virtual online programs, summits or short term learning opportunities). Please note that a receipt (no more than 14 days old) must be provided upon application.
- Travel costs to support young Territorians participation in an event/activity (12-25 years of age); you will need to explain how your new skills will be transferred to young people in the Northern Territory. Up to $500 per person for the transport/travel fees (either intra-territory or interstate) that organisations may incur to facilitate events/ activities in the Northern Territory. These events and activities must benefit young Territorians. Please visit; coronavirus.nt.gov.au/ for more information relating to travel.
- Wages or salaries for course providers (e.g. instructors) up to $1000, only if required for the facilitation of an event or activity.
- Activities and/or opportunities providing youth friendly engagement for and with young people.
- Only four individuals can apply for the same event/activity or competition. This is in order to ensure that there is enough grant budget available for a range of activities across the year.

There is flexibility for the delegate to consider funding multiple applications to one organisation in different locations with the Northern Territory.

Limitations

Individuals, community groups and organisations are eligible to apply.

Individual applicants must be:

- an Australian citizen or have permanent residence status
- over 18 years of age
- a current resident of the NT.

Individuals aged between 12 to 25 years can apply for a grant, however, those under 18 years of age will require a parent or guardian to apply on their behalf.

Organisations must be a legal entity and must be compliant with governing legislation: the Associations Act 2003 (NT) (or in some cases the Incorporated Associations Act of another state/territory), Corporations (Aboriginal and Torres Strait

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Islander) Act 2006 or Corporations Act 2001. Non-compliant or insolvent organisations are ineligible and cannot act as an administering body.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G07762/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G07762/guidelines
Email: dpsc.oya@nt.gov.au **Phone:** (08) 8999 3862

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Youth Financial Assistance

Funding Provider
Cassowary Coast Regional Council

Location
Cassowary Coast

Funding Type
Cash Grant G12613

Primary Category
Youth development

Eligible to
- Not-for-Profit
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
Amount: $150 to $600
Total Pool: $10,000

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

STEAM and Sport Youth Assistance supports the personal development of young people under the age of 18 to compete in officially recognised competitions in the areas of Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Mathematics (STEAM) or Sports.

Overview

Grants to individuals and teams are made available to assist with costs associated with travel, accommodation, nomination fees and the purchase of uniforms.

Written confirmation from the governing body confirming the individual or team selection must be attached to this application as part of the supporting documentation.

Regional Level

- Team $300
- Individual $150

State Level

- Team $400
- Individual $200

National/International Level

- Team $600
- Individual $300

Limitations

General Eligibility

The following requirements are general eligibility requirements which apply to all grants administered by the Council.

- Be a legal not for profit organisation or registered charity (including Parents and Citizens and Parents and Friends Associations) or be auspiced by an incorporated not for profit organisation, complying with all legislative requirements at the time of making application to the Program. Auspice organisations accept legal and financial responsibility for the project/initiative the organisation is making application for.
- Operating within Cassowary Coast Local Government Area or delivering a project/initiative within the Cassowary Coast Local Government Area.
- The majority of members residing in the Cassowary Coast Local Government Area.
- Have no outstanding debts with the Cassowary Coast Regional Council and be financially viable.

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- Have no outstanding grant acquittals for any previous Grants or Program Support from Council unless through an Auspice arrangement.
- Have a bank account in the name of the legal entity making application to the Program.
- Have the necessary insurances including public liability.
- Ability to obtain appropriate permits for the project/initiative the organisation is making application for.
- Meet the eligibility criteria of the Program Funding Stream.

Stream criteria

- Applicants must be a resident of the Cassowary Coast Local Government Area and 18 years of age and under
- Applicants must be representing the Cassowary Coast, a Northern Region or similar Zone, Queensland or Australia in an officially recognised STEAM or Sports event or competition
- The event must be amateur in status
- Applicants must provide a letter of selection or qualification to participate
- Applicants have a limit of one successful application per financial year

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G12613/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G12613/guidelines

Apply using SmartyGrants: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G12613/apply
Email: shared.communityrelationsandservices@ccrc.qld.gov.au **Phone:** 1300 763 903

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Youth Funding

Funding Provider
Matana Foundation

Location
Aus

Funding Type
Cash Grant G04497

Primary Category
Youth development

Eligible to
Not-for-Profit
DGR Required

Funding
Amount: $1,000 to $10,000
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

To create a more just society by giving every young person in Australia an equal opportunity to access the skills to negotiate life's journey.

Overview

Matana's focus is on improving the welfare and wellbeing of young people from severely disadvantaged or marginalised backgrounds, or whose concerns and issues are not readily funded from other sources. Recognising that disadvantage takes many forms, we prioritise projects and organisations that address the causes of youth disadvantage by:

- Providing programs primarily targeting school retention and increased education achievement for students who are at risk of dropping out of school or who have already dropped out. The focus is on early identification, customised learning and mentoring.
- Providing programs that target employment skills development, employment and career pathways and transitions into employment.
- Providing programs that target social and community connectedness, personal significance and social and emotional outcomes.
- Providing services in geographical areas across Australia where funding is difficult to source.

Applications are welcome from financially viable organisations which work to improve the lives and opportunities of disadvantaged young people, particularly where their core activities correlate with our funding priorities. Wherever possible, you will need to demonstrate the tangible impact of your organisation's work in improving the welfare or wellbeing of disadvantaged young people.

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Limitations

Matana can only make grants to organisations that hold the following ATO endorsements:

- Deductible Gift Recipient (DGR) - Item 1
- Tax Concession Charity (TCC)

Evidence of endorsements is required at the point of application. If your organisation does not have Item 1 DGR and TCC status, unfortunately we will not be able to consider your application.

The Matana Foundation will not consider applications that request funding for:

- Operating costs including salaries and administration costs, unless such costs are part of an otherwise eligible project
- Capital and building expenditure, including equipment, vehicles, travel, furniture, books and conferences, unless such costs are part of an otherwise eligible project
- Retrospective funding or budget deficits
- Fundraising events and campaigns
- Medical programs or research
- Religious activities, where the applicant project involves religious instruction.

The Matana Foundation will not consider applications for funding from:

- Individuals, state and federal government bodies
- Organisations outside Australia.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Email
Website: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G04497/info
Guidelines: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G04497/guidelines
Application: https://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G04497/apply
Website: https://matanafoundation.org.au/contact-us **Email:** info@matanafoundation.org.au **Phone:** 02 9299 0555

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Youth InterACT Scholarship Program

Funding Provider
Health and Community Services Directorate (ACT)

Location
ACT

Funding Type
Scholarship S02647

Primary Category
Youth development

Eligible to
Individual

Funding
Amount: $500 to $1,500
Total Pool: Undisclosed

Rounds
Ongoing

Purpose

The Youth InterACT Scholarships (Scholarships) provides funding of up to $500 for individuals, or $1,500 for groups of young people to participate in an activity, event or program.

Overview

These Scholarships provide a small amount of funding to support and encourage young people to enhance their professional and personal development through participation in various activities or events.

Scholarships will be awarded to young people who have a genuine ability and determination, but without financial assistance would struggle to attend their event or activity. This may include online mental health, self-improvement programs or skills-based learning courses or training that enhances personal or career development, including participating in sporting activities, community or civic engagement activities or events.

Scholarships may also help to cover resources, equipment and materials to stay engaged in learning and personal development course or training.

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Limitations

Scholarships are available to young people aged 12 to 25 years who have a genuine ability and determination, but without financial assistance would struggle to attend their event or activity. Applicants must live in the ACT or attend school/higher education institution in the ACT and must also:

- be an Australian Citizen, a Permanent Resident of Australia or hold an ACT Services Access Card;
- be representing the ACT in sporting or other activities or be a part of an ACT based program; and
- not received a Youth InterACT Scholarship funding in the last 12 months.
- apply at least 6 weeks before the start of an event or project date. Applications received with an event start date that is less than 6 weeks from date of submission will be deemed ineligible.

Applications / Guidelines

Application methods: Online
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Youth Week Tasmania Grants

Funding Provider
Youth Network of Tasmania (YNOT)

Location
TAS

Funding Type
Cash Grant G19844

Primary Category
Youth development

Eligible to
- TAFE
- School
- Not-for-Profit
- University
- Local Govt
- Unincorporated Assoc

Funding
$2,000
Total Pool: $30,000

Rounds
Closes **26 Jan 2026**

Purpose

Youth Week Tasmania, supported by the Tasmanian Government, celebrates the contributions, creativity and leadership of young people across the state.

Overview

In 2026, $30,000 is available through the Youth Week Tasmania Small Grants Program, offering grants of up to $2,000 for eligible organisations to deliver Youth Week events, activities or projects.

Youth Week Tasmania 2026 will run from Thursday 16 April to Thursday 23 April 2026.

This years' theme, chosen by young people, is ***'Our Voice. Our Vision. Our Future'.***

The program aims to:

- Showcase the talents and achievements of young Tasmanians
- Celebrate the positive contributions young people make in their communities
- Build capability by involving young people in planning and delivering Youth Week activities.

Limitations

Applications are welcome from organisations that work with or support young people in Tasmania including;

- Local government authorities (councils)
- Not-for-profit incorporated community organisations
- Other not-for-profit organisations or community groups, including parents and friends' associations
- Government and non-government schools, colleges and tertiary institutions

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