

Grants SA
Social Impact Two
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Acknowledgement

We would like to acknowledge this land that we meet on today is the traditional lands for the Kurna people and we respect their spiritual relationship with their country.

We also acknowledge the Kurna people as the custodians of the greater Adelaide region and that their cultural and heritage beliefs are still as important to the living Kurna people today.

About Grants SA

- Grants SA funding is for not-for-profit community organisations, including Aboriginal community-controlled organisations and Social Trader certified Social Enterprises.
- Our funding aligns to the state governments commitments to Closing the Gap Priority Reform Two: Building the Aboriginal Community-Controlled Sector to deliver services.
- Our funding is derived from the Charitable and Social Welfare fund.

Social Impact Two – key dates

- The Round opened **3 February 2025** and closes **3 pm, 17 March 2025**.
- Notification of the outcome will be after **1 June 2025**.
- Grant agreement period will start **1 July 2025** and end as follows:
 - Tier 1 projects – **30 June 2026**
 - Tier 2 projects – **31 December 2026**

Social Impact Two Funding Focus

This round offers two tiers of funding, of up to \$30,000, to eligible organisations for short-term projects, resources, materials and pilot programs that encourage and support:

- Strong and inclusive communities
- Advancing social and emotional wellbeing

Funding is prioritised for projects that support people and/or communities experiencing socioeconomic disadvantage and other vulnerabilities as described in the next slide.

Priority Groups

Funding is prioritised for projects that support people and/or communities experiencing socioeconomic disadvantage and other vulnerabilities. The DHS priority focus groups are;

- Aboriginal peoples
- CALD communities
- people living with a disability, focusing on those not supported through the NDIS.
- LGBTIQ+ community
- people who are financially disadvantaged
- people residing in lower SEIFA Index areas
- rural/remote locations and communities.

Eligible Organisations

To be eligible to apply, organisations must provide evidence of reportable **annual revenue under \$3 million** for a financial year within the last two years and must be:

- An Aboriginal Community-Controlled Organisation, or
- Another not-for-profit organisation.

And

- Be incorporated under the Associations Incorporation Act 1985, or the Corporations (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander) Act 2006, or have evidence of a comparable legal status, such as Australian Public Company limited by guarantee.

Or

- Be a Social Enterprise that holds a current certification with by Social Traders

Please note: applicants that do not provide adequate financial reports will be deemed ineligible for this grant round.

Sponsoring and Ineligible Applicants

- Organisations that are not incorporated and/or do not have an ABN, can apply if they meet all other eligibility criteria and are able to secure an eligible organisation to act as their sponsor (auspice) for the project.
- Information on sponsorship arrangements can be found on page 5 of the Guidelines.
- Grant funds can only go to community-based or community-controlled not-for-profit organisations that are either incorporated or can show evidence of a comparable legal status or are Social-Traders certified Social Enterprises. This is to ensure funding is provided to organisations that are the intended recipients of the Charitable and Social Welfare Fund.
- A list of ineligible applicants can be found on page 6 of the Guidelines.

Funding Opportunities – Tier 1

The tiers are not defined by the value of the project

Transactional, simple purchases.

- **Equipment and Resources up to \$10,000**
 - Equipment purchases and resources to support community participation and volunteering
 - Resources for community spaces, including community gardens
 - To build digital connectivity, access and capability

Tier 1: Examples

Umoona Community Aboriginal Corporation received a grant to purchase desks, modular storage, and ergonomic chairs to refurbish an office workspace. The new furniture has allowed employees to focus on their tasks without feeling cramped or overwhelmed whilst supporting community members.

Lifeline South-East received a grant to purchase a Tandem Axle Box Trailer. With the new trailer they have increased their capacity to process donated goods for re-sale and manage waste more efficiently and safely through a reduction in manual handling.

The collection, repurposing and resale of the donations at affordable cost to the community continues to support individuals and families experiencing cost-of-living pressures.



Funding Opportunities – Tier 2

Multiple activities/purchases, which could include project officer wages

- **Community Development projects or short-term programs, and minor infrastructure upgrades that will increase access for the priority focus groups up to \$30,000**
 - Minor upgrades to infrastructure to improve physical access and other devices to support inclusion of priority groups
 - Projects or short-term programs responding to community need
 - Creating and expanding places where communities gather
 - Intergenerational projects, mentoring and skill sharing

Tier 2: Examples

CareWorks Inc received a grant to construct an all-weather pergola Community/ Social space. The pergola provides a sheltered gathering area for visitors and volunteers to socialize, service and galvanize the community who are involved with many of the PAEC / CareWorks Connect@Enfield programs.

Multicultural Youth South Australia Incorporated in the last Social Impact Round received a grant to provide dedicated support to vulnerable parents from refugee and migrant backgrounds, offering parenting assistance for their young children on weekends. With the help of trained volunteers, the program fosters a nurturing home environment while addressing the unique challenges faced by these families.



Application Process

How to apply

- Submit your application through SmartyGrants, the link is on our website.
- Don't forget to press save as you progress through answering the questions.
- Upload required documentation, there are mandatory fields in the application which prevent you from submitting the application without answering all the key questions.
- Organisations will be funded for a maximum of 2 grants per financial year, however, only one application per grant round can be successful.

Application Form – Project Details

- Project Title
- Provide a brief description of the project – Key activities, actions or services.
- How will your project create strong and inclusive communities, and/or advance social and emotional wellbeing in your community? (This is the funding focus of this round)
- Please explain why this project is important for your community?
- How will you measure the impact or benefit of this project?

Application Form – Required Documentation

- Evidence of <\$3m Annual revenue for most recent financial year.
- Quotes for all items requested in Budget
- If applying for salary – provide Award, level, hourly rate, weekly hours and length of employment
- **Tier 2 applicants**
 - Will be required to submit a project plan outlining timeframes, resources, capacity of personnel or contractors involved and a schedule of activities. Link to a project plan template is provided within the online application form.
 - For infrastructure project building owner consent, lease agreement (3-year lease minimum) and council approval may be required.
 - For community development projects requesting funding for wages applicants will be required to complete a form to outline the roles and responsibilities of the project officer / employee engaged to undertake the project.

Budgets

- Grant expenditure - Items you wish to purchase with the grant:

Grant Expenditure	Amount (exclusive of GST)	GST	Total Amount \$ (GST Incl)
Tables x 5	\$909.09	\$90.91	\$1,000
Chairs x 30	\$272.73	\$27.27	\$300
Fridge	\$1363.64	\$136.36	\$1,500

- Group each item you need funding for in separate rows, using the + and - buttons to add or remove rows.
- If the quote includes GST, calculate the GST exclusive amount by dividing the total by 1.1 and the GST by multiplying the exclusive amount by 0.1.
- This budget will form the basis of the funding contract if successful.
- GST is added into your awarded grant when paid.

Application Form – Budget (continued)

- Total project income and expenditure
- Financial and non-financial contributions (in-kind support) i.e. volunteer time, donated goods, facility hire (income)

Financial Contribution (including source)	Amount \$	Status
Our Organisation	\$1,000	Confirmed
XYZ Grant	\$1,000	Requested

- Total contribution **\$2,000.**
- This number is auto-calculated

Assessment Criteria

Linkage to the published Guidelines	20%	<p>How well does the application align with the funding focus?</p> <p>Does the application identify and support any of the priority groups?</p>
Community need	30%	<p>What community need is being addressed?</p> <p>How will this project address the community need?</p>
Direct Community Impact	30%	<p>The extent of the impact or benefit for the identified beneficiaries and DHS priority groups.</p> <p>Tier 2 Projects – the extent to which the application establishes that the organisation can deliver the project - the project plan covered timeframes, resources, capacity of personnel or contractors involved and a schedule of activities?</p>
Value for Money	20%	<p>The value for money given the number of people who will benefit.</p> <p>Applications must contain reasonable and realistic costs as outlined in attached quotes.</p>

Assessment Process

How applications are assessed:

Stage One:

- Applications are screened by Grants SA staff for Organisation and Project eligibility.

Stage Two:

- Eligible applications are assessed by an Assessment panel that comprises of external community members.
- Applications are assessed against the criteria in the assessment matrix refer page 10 of the Guidelines.
- The panel makes recommendations to the delegate for funding.

Notification of Applicants

- All applicants will be notified in writing via email
 - Ineligible applicants will be notified with the reason their application was ineligible.
 - Unsuccessful applicants are encouraged to contact Grants SA for feedback on their application.

Successful Applicants

- Will receive written notification via an email to your nominated First Office Bearer from the Minister of Human Services.
- A grant funding agreement will be sent after the notification. The agreement will be signed electronically using DocuSign.
- Read the agreement prior to authorising. Grants are not paid until the agreements are electronically signed by your two authorised delegates.

Your Grant Agreement

- The Funding Agreement outlines:
 - Project, amount and items to be funded
 - Contracting period. Tier 1; 12 months Tier 2; 18 months
 - Awarded monies cannot be spent outside of the contract dates
 - Requirement to have public liability insurance
 - Reports required during and at the completion of the project.
- Other documents to be completed along with your Funding Agreement
 - Recipient Created Tax Invoice (RCTI) Agreement
 - EFT Form – including bank account details

Searching for other funding opportunities:

- Department of Human Services www.dhs.sa.gov.au
- SA Government grants www.GRANTassist.sa.gov.au
- Community Grants Hub (Aust Govt) www.communitygrants.gov.au
- GrantGuru www.grantguru.com.au
- The Funding Centre www.fundingcentre.com.au
- Multicultural Affairs www.dpc.sa.gov.au
- Office for Recreation and Sport www.orsr.sa.gov.au
- Office for Ageing Well <https://dhs.sa.gov.au/news/2024/applications-open-for-ageing-well-community-and-research-grants-2024-25>
- Office for Autism www.officeforautism.sa.gov.au

Any further questions?

At any stage of the process please don't hesitate in contacting us:

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