

foreword



From the increased numbers of global citizens facing socioeconomic challenges through to the growing wave of environmental issues, the need for real change is exponentially growing.

The need for change makers to not only continue their work but also to scale their impact even in the face of increasingly strained fundraising capacities is now more urgent than ever. Thats where this guide (and grants) comes in!

To help you get started on planning your grants journey, we've pulled together the top 40 Australian grants that every nonprofit should know about.

No matter what your organisation does or what sector it operates in, you're sure to find a few grant opportunities on the following pages that are capable of becoming staples on your annual grants calendar.

You can then begin searching for other grants suitable to your unique needs using the list of resources we've provided at the end of this guide.

All the best of luck!

Japipe and the Grant'd Team



TIPS FOR USING THIS GUIDE

Each grant title is a hyperlink

If a grant opportunity listed in this guide is of interest and you'd like to know more, simply click on the title to visit the grant maker's website.

Make sure you're eligible

Always be sure to read the grant guidelines to ensure the opportunity is suitable to your needs

Dates are always changing...

Grant round dates are always different year on year. To help this guide maintain currency we have provided approximate timings where available. To finalise your grants calendar, always check the website for the exact open and close dates.

ARE YOU A FUNDING BODY?

We'd love to feature your grant opportunities in our future guides! Drop us a line at hello@grantd.com.au



Sidney Myer Fund & The Myer Foundation

VARIOUS AMOUNTS

Makes grants across Australia to organisations and projects that improve people's lives in lasting and positive ways.

A number of grant opportunities are available under four categories:

Arts + Humanities

Provided in acknowledgement of the connection between the arts, the humanities, and the community. Funding is available for Creative Fellowships (targeting individual artists, arts managers and thought leaders in the industry, Capacity building (targeting independent and small to medium arts organisations). A Performing Arts Award is also available

Sustainability + Environment

Supports organisations that seek to catalyse positive action on climate change in the Australian context. A large grants program is available for organisations with projects that seek to influence key stakeholders to take action on climate change.

Poverty + Disadvantage

Seeks to support programs that address underlying problems that give rise to poverty and disadvantage, and to find ways to strengthen systems, services, communities and individuals to prevent poverty and reduce disadvantage for those most at risk. The current focus of this category is to fund projects that improve transitions from education to employment, and employment for Indigenous young people and young people from refugee backgrounds.

Other programs

Other programs are available. These include the Kenneth Myer Innovation Fellowships that support breakthrough solutions to Australia's most pressing social and environmental challenges, and to bring talent to the social sector. The Merlyn Myer Fund also supports projects that address disadvantage and provide Australian women with opportunities.

John T Reid Charitable Trusts

UNSPECIFIED AMOUNT

Funds projects that align with one or more of the following categories: Aged and Palliative Care, Arts and Cultural Heritage, Community and Social Welfare, Education and Youth Support, Environment, and Health Support.

The trustee will consider supporting creative and innovative programs/projects and capital works to further the aims of the applying organisation. This opportunity is open twice yearly.

Ian Potter Foundation

VARYING AMOUNTS

Ian Potter Foundation seeks to fund projects with demonstrated excellence and innovation with a focus on prevention rather than intervention. Projects that are delivered under skilled leadership and adopt a long term approach and leverage multiple resources will also be favoured.

The Foundation grants funding through four funding pillars: **Vibrant** [arts and culture], **Healthy** [medical research equipment + public health research projects], **Fair** [early childhood development + community wellbeing] and **Sustainable** [environment]. Guidelines are available for each funding pillar.

Nib Foundation

VARYING AMOUNTS

Nib Foundation works to advance health by funding innovative programs that make positive and lasting improvements to people's health and wellbeing.

A number of grant opportunities are on offer including **Prevention Partnerships** to reduce common risk factors for chronic disease [invitation only], **Health Smart Grants** for health promotions that empower young Australians to make positive and informed health choices, **Aboriginal Health Partnerships** to help build emotional and social wellbeing in Indigenous youth, **Community Support** grants that contribute to the better health and wellbeing of our communities, and **Good Cause Grants** to support the health and social issues that Nib employees care about.

Health Smart Grants are usually open for the month of June each year. To receive updates on other opportunities offered by Nib Foundation, sign up to their newsletter.

Coca-Cola Australia Foundation

UP TO \$25,000

The Foundation has funding on offer for projects that create possibilities for a brighter, more sustainable future for both Australians today, and future generations to come.

Projects must serve Australians aged 13-19 and address optimism, empowerment, increased possibilities for a positive life, wellbeing, or the environment.

The Golden Stave Foundation

VARYING AMOUNTS

The Golden Stave Foundation supports DGR registered charities that are NSW based and work to help children.

The Golden Stave Foundation's grants cannot be used for administration, salaries, or office equipment. Funding must also be expended within 12 months of receipt. Applications must include a clear explanation of what the funds will be used for, alongside descriptions of the project and any items to be purchased. Applications are usually open during the month of November each year.

RACQ Foundation

UP TO \$50,000

RACQ Foundation supports Queensland based community organisations impacted by natural disasters [including drought] to regain their positions prior to the disaster, mitigate the impact of future natural disasters on buildings and other capital works, and to help Queenslanders who have been impacted by a natural disaster.

Organisations impacted by Covid-19 are also eligible to apply. Three rounds of funding are available. Closing dates are usually in the months of February, July and September each year.

Ecstra Foundation

UNSPECIFIED AMOUNT

Ecstra Foundation works to equip Australians with the support and access to resources they need to make confident money decisions now and for their financial future.

Proposed projects must work to improve financial wellbeing by assisting people to make informed and confident decisions about their money or promote social and economic participation/inclusion/advancement for communities. The project must buid organisational capacity to better serve communities, deliver an innovative approach that addresses specific needs, scale up a proven program or approach, foster collaboration, promote the outcomes and impact of an evidence based approach, evaluate an existing program, or add constructively to a 'what works' base. The project can target a specific group or issue with identified gaps in financial capability (e.g. women, young people, older people etc.). EOI's are usually always open, with responses usually given around 6 weeks from the time of submission

Disabled Childrens Foundation

UNSPECIFIED

The Foundation was established to promote the health and welfare of Disabled children around Austraia and to ensure that they, and their families, enjoy the same opportunities as other Australians to participate in their communities.

Eligible projects will promote the health, welfare and interested of disabled children in Australia. Applications are open year around, with funding issued quarterly.

HV McKay Charitable Trust

UNSPECIFIED AMOUNT

Provides funding for projects that relieve poverty, advance education, advance religion in accordance with the tenets of the Presbyterian church, or are for the general benefit of the community.

The Trust's focus is on funding projects that are rurally focused. Support may also be given to national or state based bodies that have a rural focus. Preference will be given where more orthodox support is hampered by conditions, or where applicants are community based and managed organisations. Applications are always open.

CCI Giving

VARYING AMOUNTS

CCI Giving seeks to give back to the Australian Catholic community by providing small and large grants that enable Catholic organisations and others carrying out Catholic missions to make a positive impact.

The **Small Grants** program supports Catholic organisations and others carrying out Catholic missions to respond to current and emerging needs in local communities - up to \$5,000 is available for events or projects, and up to \$10,000 is available for small capital works with clear community benefits. The **Impact Grants** program also sees CCI Giving provide 5 year partnerships with organisations that are uniquely positioned to overcome social disadvantage in marginalised communities.

Budget Direct - Sponsorship Program

\$1,000, \$2,500 OR \$5,000

Budget Direct supports local communities in building happy and healthy neighbourhoods.

Sponsors registered organisations or associations that provide local or statewide services, operate community awareness and education programs, promote health and wellbeing (e.g. sports clubs), advocate for road safety, provide emergency services, support in need or at-risk Australians, or help build strong, vibrant communities.

Four rounds are usually held each year, with applications closing in September, December, March and June.

Collier Charitable Fund

UNSPECIFIED

This Fund provides financial support through a number of priorities: (1) Public Benevolent Institutions in Victoria, (2) Public Hospitals in Victoria, (3) Public Educational Purposes in Australia, (4) Religious Purposes in Australia, and (5) Relief of poverty in Australia, The Australian Red Cross, the education of children of deceased or incapacitated Sailors, Soldiers, or Airmen; or any other charitable purposes not covered in any of the previous categories.

One grant round is offered each year, usually closing on the 30th June. Urgent applications can be discussed with the Executive Officer outside of the grant round.

Sunsuper Dreams For A Better World

\$10,000 to \$20,000

If you are a not-for-profit organisation or community group dreaming of creating brighter futures for Australians, more active communities, or supporting others to live better, the Sunsuper team wants to hear about it.

There are three rounds for community grants that usually close in June each year, with each round having a different theme:

Better Living

For projects that improve the lives or living standards of Australians.

Examples include: community projects to rebuild following a natural disaster, affordable housing, assisting the ageing population or migrants, helping families and children in need, or creating a better environment.

Brighter Futures

For projects that empower learning and earning towards brighter futures.

Examples include: education initiatives or projects that create jobs for those in need, financial wellbeing or initiatives that improve affordability for Australians. Projects that enhance employment opportunities or offer training and support to the unemployed are also welcome.

Active Community

For projects that create active and healthy communities.

Examples include: sports grants to help people of all ages and abilities to achieve active lives, projects that help improve health and fitness, health promotion initiatives, wellbeing programs, or projects that tackle health issues experienced by the wider community.



Honda Foundation

UNSPECIFIED AMOUNT

Supports charities and organisations working across a range of social and environmental issues including supporting the disadvantaged, disabled or those suffering from illness, providing relief for victims of natural disasters, or promoting innovation and new technologies.

In addition to grant funding, Honda Foundation also offers a 12 month Loan Vehicle Program which includes registration, insurance, and servicing costs [capped at 20 loans at any given time]. Applications are usually due in early February and August of each year.

James Frizelle Charitable Foundation

UNSPECIFIED AMOUNT

The Foundation has been established to support those who have contributed to our great country yet have unfortunately [and through no fault of their own] have fallen onto tough times and are no longer to speak for themselves.

Funding is on offer to organisations who have the necessary expertise and human resources to help these people get their lives back on track and regain dignity. Support is considered for projects that target the disadvantaged, homeless, returned forces personnel, first responders, and those suffering mental health issues.

Sisters of Charity Foundation

UP TO \$15,000

Provides grants to Australian organisations that use clever ways to fight poverty, loneliness, suffering and oppression, yet struggle to find funding.

Preference is given to programs that restore hope and build dignity, fall between the cracks of other funding, are not associated with well established organisations with significant reserves and/or are not capable of raising their own funds, and are not eligible for funding from the government or other sources.

Grant rounds close in March and July each year.

Matana Foundation for Young People

BETWEEN \$1,000 TO \$10,000

Matana Foundation seeks to fund projects that address the causes and consequences of youth disadvantage, in doing so assisting them to access the information, education, skills and resources that will enable them to achieve social connectedness, personal significance and emotional wellbeing.

Grants can be sought at any time of the year, with a two step application process: (1) Preliminary Application and then if invited, a (2) Detailed Application.

Westfund Community Grants

\$10,000 or up to \$2,500

Westfund seeks to fund organisations that support the principles of health and wellbeing, fitness for life, family and community.

Applicants must have an event that promotes health and fitness in communities or families, need to purchase health related products, events or projects that promote/encourage general wellbeing and health in communities, or projects that educate communities about health and health related activities. Sign up to the newsletter to stay updated on upcoming grant open and close dates.

Westpac Social Change Fellowship

VALUED AT UP TO \$50,000

Focuses on the development of extraordinary individuals who are leading social change.

Provides applicants with a 6 month personal development journey that allows the exploration of their leadership potential. A range of activities are supported, from overseas research and travel through to development courses and work experience as well as hands on professional coaching and advice. Westpac seeks individuals that have qualities that set them apart from others, a generosity of spirit, and a strong desire to give back to Australia through a committment to our country's broader social purpose, the creation of equal opportunities, and better lives for all Australians.

Australia Post Community Grants

UP TO \$10,000

Australia Post is seeking organisations that connect communities for better mental health and wellbeing.

Preference is given to projects that increase opportunities for meaningful connections that enhance mental wellbeing, support mental health awareness and early intervention, and help people access mental health support at a local level.

Applications are usually open in June, and close in July.

Tucker Foundation

UP TO \$25,000

Funding is on offer to organisations with projects that support, promote, develop and advance public art galleries and museums, relieve poverty and suffering of children, provide or support scholarships for disadvantaged children/young adults, protect women from abuse and assist them to further their education, support social change towards equal treatment and social acceptance, the protection of wildlife and habitat, the preservation of forest, oceans and wilderness, the rehabilitation of flora and fauna, and the prevention of animal cruelty/promotion of animal welfare.

Applications are typically open in June, and close in August.

Ansvar Insurance

UP TO \$50,000

Ansvar's Community Education Program supports the delivery of education and life skills programs to young people across Australia.

Under the Empowerment and Education stream, funding is given to projects that a provide opportunities to develop positive values that lead to healthy lifestyle choices and a positive contribution to our community. Applicants to the Outreach Program stream must have a project that services youth at risk or already experiencing difficulties through rehab or skills training.

Community Enterprise Foundation

VARYING AMOUNTS

The Foundation is an initiative of Bendigo Bank and facilitates the funding of a wide variety of projects from health and education through to the arts and much more.

Projects that have a charitable purpose and benefit the wider community are eligible. Traditionally, these projects will fit under one of five categories: (1) the relief of poverty, (2) the relief of sickness and distress, (3) the advancement of education, (4) the advancement of religion, or (5) other purposes beneficial to the wider community. Visit the Community Enterprise Foundation website to find a full list of funding available.

Beyond Bank Community Partnerships

UNSPECIFIED VALUE

Beyond Bank partners with organisations that are undertaking community building initiatives under four main categories: Aged Care, Disability, Housing Affordability, and Local Community Services.

A collaborative approach is adopted, where Beyond Bank's dedicated Community Development Team works with you to gain an understanding of your organisation and develop a plan to further your cause whether it be through banking products, sponsorships, fundraising, volunteering or something else.

Awesome Foundation

\$1,000

The Awesome Foundation is a global community, with each chapter supporting awesome projects through micro grants. Each chapter interprets 'awesome' for itself, and projects put forward can be for a wide range of areas including arts, technology, community development and much more.

Many projects are novel or experimental, often evoke surprise and delight, and can sometimes challenge or inspire. Chapters are located worldwide, however Australian chapters include Adelaide, Melbourne, Fleurieu, Newcastle, Geelong, Sydney, Lake Mac and Maitland. Other options for Australian grant seekers include the Awesome Without Borders, Disability, Homelessness, Libraries, and Vegan chapters. Grants are assessed and distributed on a monthly basis.

Foundation For Regional + Rural Renewal

VARYING AMOUNTS

The Foundation champions the economic and social strength of Australia's rural, regional and remote communities through a broad range of grant programs for projects that benefit the residents of these communities.

Grant opportunities are grouped into three areas:

People, Place and Prosperity

Small grants that support a broad range of issues in rural, regional and remote communities. Examples of funding opportunities include the Strengthening Rural Communities, and Caring for Ageing Rural Australians grant programs.

Targeted Impact

Small to medium grants for projects that focus on major issues causing disadvantage and inequity. Examples of funding opportunities under this category include the Tackling Tough Times Together, Enhancing Country Health Outcomes, In A Good Place, and ANZ's Seeds of Renewal programs.

Leading Change

Larger grants and programs that respond to system-level challenges or opportunities, and trial new approaches. Examples of funding opportunities include the Disaster Resilient: Future Ready and the Investing in Rural Community Futures grant programs.

These grant opportunities open and close at various times throughout the year.

Australian Sports Foundation

UNSPECIFIED VALUE

As the only sports organisation in Australia to have DGR status for sports activities, the Australian Sports Foundation assists sporting organisations, clubs and individuals through fundraising partnerships.

Apply to gain access to a dedicated sports partnership manager who will assist with your fundraising, and access to ASF's fundraising platform towards making it easier to receive donations and offer tax deductible donations. Whether you're seeking funding for a new clubhouse, buy new sporting equipment or fund athlete travel, this partnership will help boost your efforts. Open year around.

Morris Family Foundation

UNSPECIFIED AMOUNTS

The Foundation invests in projects and organisations that deliver meaningful social, economic, and enivronmental impact both in Australia and internationally.

Preference is given to innovative organisations that deliver real and systemic change at the heart of the complex problems facing our world. The Foundation distributes funding across four focus areas: (1) Equitable Growth and Just Societies, (2) Food Security and Sustainable Agriculture, (3) Health and Wellbeing For All, and (4) Protection and Restoration of the Environment. Unsolicited requests for funding are not accepted, however it may be worth introducing your project to the Foundation.

Australia Council For The Arts

VARIOUS AMOUNTS

The Council is the Australian Government's arts funding and advisory body, and offers a wide range of grant opportunities for arts organisations and individuals.

Grant opportunities are available for a variety of artistic purposes such as arts projects (ranging from the creation of new works through to market development), touring activities, career development, collaborations, and year on year organisational support. Open and close dates vary depending on the selected grant.

Newcastle Permanent Charitable Foundation

\$20,000 TO \$200,000

The Foundation provides funding to support nonprofits and community groups in delivering important projects, initiatives, and programs that improve community health and wellbeing for those in need, improving life outcomes for disadvantaged and at-risk young people, and improving the social wellbeing of marginalised and isolated community members.

Grant funding is distributed to eligible organisations and groups located in the Hunter, Central Coast, Central West, Mid North Coast, New England and the Northern Rivers areas of NSW. Grant applications are accepted twice per year, with the average grant being \$50,000.

Impact Investing Australia

UNSPECIFIED VALUE

The Impact Investing Hub works to connect potential investors, investees, and intermediaries towards growing the Australian impact investing ecosystem, in turn promoting the movement of capital towards social impact and solutions to some of our most challenging social issues.

Organisations working to create social change can apply to have their project listed. Applicants must highlight (1) a specific objective to achieve social and/or environmental impact, (2) the capacity to measure and report outcomes, and (3) a demonstrated expectation of a return on capital for investors.

Indigenous Advancement Strategy

VARYING AMOUNTS

The Australian Government funds a range of programs and projects for Indigenous Australians under the Indigenous Advancement Strategy, towards creating better outcomes for our First Nations people.

Funding is targeted at enabling better outcomes through education, enabling employment, economic development and social participation, and building healthy and safe homes and communities. Six funding areas are available: (1) Jobs, Land and Economy, (2) Children and Schooling, (3) Safety and Wellbeing, (4) Culture and Capability, (5) Remote Australia Strategies, and (6) Research and Evaluation.

Copyright Agency Cultural Fund

VARIOUS AMOUNTS

The Cultural Fund provides support towards projects that enhance the profile of Australian writers and visual artists, and to support Australia's dynamic writing, publishing, and visual arts sectors.

A wide range of grant opportunities are available for activities ranging from development of new works and career development, through to fellowships and collaborations. Funding is also available to assist with projects that build literacy skills for children and young adults. Open and close dates vary depending on the opportunity selected.

MacPac Fund For Good

UP TO \$10,000

The MacPac Fund For Good strives to help those committed to creating long term change for the good of our people and the planet.

The focus of funding is on two priority areas: (1) Adventure Based Social Development for projects designed to rehabilitate, reform or generally improve lives through outdoor experiences, and (2) Environmental Projects that work to preserve our natural environment, restore and protect habitats, and look after the creatures that call them home. Indigenous community projects that support these two areas will also be considered. To be eligible, your activities need to be based in either Australia or New Zealand. Four grant rounds are available, with rounds closing in April, July, October and January.

Patagonia Australia

BETWEEN \$10,000 TO \$20,000 USD

Patagonia funds environmental work and gives preference to grassroots organisations that identify and work on the root causes of problems and with a committment to long term change.

Applicants should be able to demonstrate an action oriented and quantifiable project that builds public involvement, and is strategic in its targeting and goals. It should focus on root causes and accomplish specific goals and objectives that are measurable. Funding is available for projects in Australia, as well as some other European and South American countries. Applications usually close in June each year.

Australian Communities Foundation

UNSPECIFIED AMOUNTS

The Australian Communities Foundation seeks to connect change making organisations with private donors through its online database.

Organisations that create social change are invited to submit their initiatives for showcasing to potential donors on the database. Applicants will need to provide information on their organisation's mission, purpose and key activity areas, the project for which they are seeking funding, the target beneficiaries and expected outcomes, as well as the project's budget.

Australian Ethical Visionary Grants

UNSPECIFIED AMOUNT

Australian Ethical seeks organisations working both in Australia and abroad working across three key areas:

(1) Stopping sources of carbon pollution (2) Supporting carbon sinks, and (3) Educating and empowering women and girls. EOI's are generally due in late August, with successful applicants invited to submit a full application.

Perpetual Impact Philanthrophy

BETWEEN \$10,000 TO \$100,000

Perpetual distributes over \$100m each year from the charitable trusts and endowments that it manages through an annual grants program. This grant connects philanthropists with nonprofits that are improving outcomes for the communities in which they operate.

This opportunity usually opens in October, and closes in December, with applicants receiving news on the outcome in the following June.

Funding is provided for a wide range of projects at different developmental stages including but not limited to pilot and existing projects, capacity building, and support for early career researchers.



Where to find even more grants

Now that you've got some grant opportunities that can become staples on your annual fundraising calendar, its time to find even more grant opportunities to create a comprehensive grants calendar that is tailored to your organisation. Here's a list of places where you can begin searching.

- **Grants Connect** This is where all Federal Government grants are listed. It is free to join, and you will receive regular e-mails with emerging grant opportunities.
- Local Council Local councils often have annual grant programs which can become another staple on your grants calendar. Simply visit your local council website to find out more.
- State Government Departments State governments and departments often have their own grant programs. For example, arts focused businesses in NSW could visit the government's Create NSW website which has a number of grant opportunities.
- Social Change Central This is a dedicated hub which connects and supports social enterprises and aspiring entrepreneurs through a comprehensive self-service database with the most up-to-date opportunities available in Australia and internationally.
- Corporate based funding Many corporates seek to fund innovative ventures through grants and competitions. Examples include Reece, Google Impact Challenge, MIT Solve, and Atlassian Technology.
- Global Innovation Exchange This lists a number of grant opportunities for organisations that do international work. Membership is free.
- Subscription based databases There are a number of subscription grant databases which you can search these often list foundation grants. Most have a fee, however do often offer a free initial trial.



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We've also created a free <u>Facebook Group</u> where we regularly post emerging grant opportunities and resources for Australian grantseekers... and you're welcome to join!



We hope this guide has taken you a step closer to the funding that will power your vision for change.

Because powering your vision is exactly what drives us at Grant'd.

From strategy through to application and implementation, we love working with and mentoring those that have clear visions of the change they seek.

Our team understands all too well the serious resourcing challenges often faced by people just like you. Whether you're a nonprofit or a for-profit, its highly likely that limited time, expertise and specialist human resources are your biggest barriers to successfully implementing and reaping the rewards of an efficient grants and funding program. Yet you still need to scale towards increased revenue and impact.

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If you'd like even more help with powering your own exciting Grant'd moments, we recommend our following services:

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