

Grants Smarts

Tips and tricks on getting grant ready



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GRANTS 101

01 What is a grant?

Money, often given by government or charity, that does not need to be repaid.

Am I ready to apply for a grant?

On the next page, we'll go through some questions to help you get grant-ready.

How do I find grants?

There are many websites that list available grants.

You can also "Google" terms like:

"Arts grants Australia"

"First Nations/Indigenous Grants Australia"

"Small business grants Australia"

"Regional/rural grants Australia"

"Social enterprise grants"



Where to start - some places to find grants:

<u>Grant Connect</u> (Australian Government grants portal)

Business.gov.au (Grants for Australian businesses)

ARTS hub (arts funding)

National Indigenous Australians Agency (Grant opportunities under the Indigenous Advancement Strategy IAS)

<u>Local Capability Fund</u> -Western Australia

GETTING STARTED



Project Description

- What is your project doing?
- What is your vision/mission?
- What are your objectives?



Need

What is the problem you're trying to address? OR What gap/need are you meeting with your product or service?



Beneficiaries / Target

- Who are your clients?
- Who will benefit from this project?
- How will you reach them?



Outcomes

- What outcomes do you expect to achieve with the help of this funding?
- How will you measure them?





What supporting resources do you have / might you need to help your case?

These could include: Your business plan Case studies Evidence of need Letters of support Photos/videos/interviews/media

articles

• How much money do you need? Do you have other donors already? What costs do you need to cover? Will you have any in-kind support? How much money are you contributing?

Suporting materials

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQ)

What does 'how will the project benefit others?' mean?

How does your project/business help your community? e.g employees local people, improves local economy, grows your sector (eg. tourism, art, bush medicine) What do the words 'income; in kind; forecast' mean?

Income = money received for your

product or service

In-kind = payment in goods or services

(not monetary)

Forecast = a prediction or estimate (ie.

how much profit you expect to make in a month/year)

Do my **'achievements to date'** mean how much money I have made?

No. This is generally not a question about money. It could mean:

- challenges overcome
- products designed / quantity sold
- positive feedback received
- awards won
- your business story

TIPS AND TRICKS



Start a 'Grants Folder'

Include commonly requested documents, such as your:

- business plan
- budget
- letters of support
- portfolio/examples of your work
- photos



Resources

Check out the <u>Maganda Makers</u> <u>website</u> for many guides and extra resources to help you prepare your proposal. 01 Search, Apply & Apply Again

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How does my project support the goals of the funder/donor?

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Check Eligibility

Confirm alignment with grant objectives

Keep it clear and simple

BUDGET TEMPLATE EXAMPLE

Activity		Time Frame	Unit Rate (per month/ instance, etc.	# of Units	Unit rate (in US Dollar)	Total (in US Dollar	Implementing Partner Contribution US Dollar	ESCAP contribution US Dollar
Activity 1								
1.1 Staff and other personnel costs								
1.2 Supplies, Commodities, materials								
Equipment, vehicles and furniture (including depreciation) Contractual Services								
1.4 Contractual Services								
1.5 Travel								
1.6 Transfers and grants to counterparts	Total ESCAP obligations per k	ESCAP obligations per budget line						
1.7 General Operating and other direct costs	Staff and other personnel costs							
1.8 Indirect support costs	Supplies, Commodities, materials							
Total	Equipment, vehicles and furniture (including depreciation)							
	Contractual services							
Travel								
	Transfers and grants to counterparts	parts						
	General Operating and other direct co	osts						
	Indirect support costs							
	Total ESCAD contribution							
	Total ESCAP contribution							



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What are you asking for?

Think about:

- Your expenses
- Project timeline (ie. staff rate X hours)
- What does the grant exclude?
- Your estimated revenue
- Other donors
- Any in-kind support
- Justify your costs with quotes or invoices
- Make sure it all adds up





ANY QUESTIONS?