

October Grants Bulletin

To the Narre Warren North community,

I'm excited to bring you the October edition of my monthly grants bulletin – your handy guide to the latest funding opportunities available throughout our electorate.

Whether your part of a local club, community group, or have a great idea to benefit our area, this edition could have just what you need to get started.

My office is always here to help. If you have any questions about the grants listed or need a hand with the application process, feel free to reach out or visit my website at www.belindawilson.com.au.

Thank you for your ongoing commitment to making our community stronger – your efforts are deeply appreciated.

Warm regards,

Belinda Wilson MP

State Member for Narre Warren North

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ARTS & EVENTS

International Engagement Fund

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Funding Provider: Australian Government

Amount: \$5,000 to \$30,000 **Closes:** 14th October 2025

Apply: https://creative.gov.au/investments-opportunities/international-engagement-fund

This Creative Australia grant supports Australian artists and creative workers to undertake reciprocal international exchange activities including creative collaborations and development, cultural exchange and knowledge sharing with confirmed international partners.

Robert Salzer Foundation Grants

Funding Provider: Robert Salzer Foundation

Amount: Unspecified **Closes:** 24th October 2025

Apply: https://www.robertsalzerfoundation.org.au

Supports the arts, including producing, promoting, developing encouraging and/or supporting accomplishments in the field or spheres of any one or more music, ballet, literature and any other performing or graphic arts in the State of Victoria.

The Robert Salzer Foundation is a trust for the support of the arts, performing, graphic and literary.

Documentary Australia Fiscal Sponsorship

Funding Provider: Documentary Australia Foundation

CLOSING SOON

Amount: Unspecified **Closes:** 29th October 2025

Apply: https://documentaryaustralia.com.au/our-programs/fiscal-sponsorship/

Grants fiscal sponsorship to independent documentary filmmakers with a quality social impact project.

social mission. The agreement allows approved projects to use the Foundation's Deductible Gift Recipient status, for the purpose of fundraising grants and donations.

Narrative Content Short Film Production

Funding Provider: Screen Australia

CLOSING SOON

Amount: Up to \$100,000 Closes: 30th October 2025

Apply: https://www.screenaustralia.gov.au/funding-and-support/narrative-content-

production/narrative-content-short-film

This grant supports content makers to make a live action or animated narrative short film intended for theatrical festivals.

Creative Enterprises Program

Funding Provider: Creative Victoria

Amount: From \$400,000

Closes: *Date not yet confirmed by provider

Apply: https://creative.vic.gov.au/funding-opportunities/funding-calendar

Offers a four-year funding program that provides investment in the leadership, organisational infrastructure, and capacity of non-government creative industry organisations.

The Creative Enterprises Program provides four-year funding for medium to large creative organisations and smaller organisations positioned for sustainable growth.

Touring Victoria

Funding Provider: Creative Victoria Amount: \$10,000 - \$150,000 Closes: 4th December 2025

Apply: https://creative.vic.gov.au/funding-opportunities/find-a-funding-opportunity/touring-victoria

This Creative Australia grant supports Australian artists and creative workers to undertake reciprocal international exchange activities including creative collaborations and development, cultural exchange and knowledge sharing with confirmed international partners.

Harcourts Foundation Grants

Funding Provider: Harcourts Foundation

Amount: Unspecified Closes: 03rd Feb 2025

Apply: https://www.harcourtsfoundation.org/australia

Provides support for a specific event, project, item, or initiative that helps, grows, and enriches our communities.

As the 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.

Astra Funding

Funding Provider: Astra Games

Amount: Unspecified Closes: Always Open

Apply: https://astralogical.org/

Invests in the whole thinking game ecosystem, from early career developers to established teams. Thinking games are games where deduction, reasoning, and logic are the core of the experience (instead of execution or reflexes). Puzzle, strategy, and resource management games are the closest genres.

Epic MegaGrants

Funding Provider: Epic Games Amount: \$5,000-\$150,000 Closes: Always Open

Apply: https://www.unrealengine.com/en-US/megagrants

Provides financial grants to creative, noteworthy, and innovative projects built in and around Unreal Engine or projects that enhance the open-source 3D graphics ecosystem.

Epic MegaGrants are investments Epic Games makes to sponsor the development of exciting projects that may not otherwise have enough funding to fully realize. They're specifically meant for smaller teams, solo developers, and innovators who are using our technology to bring bold, challenging, and insanely creative dreams to life.

Fringe Fund

Funding Provider: Melbourne Fringe

Amount: Unspecified **Closes:** Always Open

Apply: https://melbournefringe.com.au/fringe-sector-leadership/fringe-fund/

Helps the very best emerging and independent artistic talent achieve incredible things, supporting artists to find the money they need to make ground-breaking, innovative and brilliant art.

The Fringe Fund provides commissioning opportunities, concessions on fees, and even cold hard cash to ease financial pressure on artists so they can do what they do best.

Innovate Grant

Funding Provider: Innovate

Amount: \$1,800 Closes: Always Open

Apply: https://innovateartistgrants.org/

Provides grants to artists and photographers to act as sparks of financial support that ignite your creative development. Innovate Grant distributes (2) \$1,800.00 grants each quarter, to one Visual Artist and one Photographer. The grant cycles are open (4) times a year (Winter, Spring, Summer and Fall) giving you more opportunities to access the support you need.

International Festival Travel

Funding Provider: VicScreen Amount: Up to \$4,000 Closes: Always Open

Apply: https://vicscreen.vic.gov.au/funding/travel

Provides grants to producers, directors, writers or games developers for travel from Victoria to attend an approved international festival. Festival attendance facilitates opportunities to build relationships and promote Victorian talent to wider markets and audiences.

Victorian Screen Rebate (VSR)

Funding Provider: VicScreen Amount: Unspecified Closes: Always Open

Apply: https://vicscreen.vic.gov.au/funding/incentives/

Offers grants to attract footloose physical productions and/or post-production, regional filming, VFX, animation and digital games projects activities in Victoria.

The Victorian Screen Rebate (VSR) program is an economic development initiative that offers grants to support screen work undertaken in Victoria.

BUSINESS AND INNOVATION

AbbVie Funding

Funding Provider: AbbVie Amount: Unspecified Closes: 10th October 2025

Apply: https://www.abbvie.com.au/responsibility/grants-and-donations.html

Provides financial support for projects that promote excellence in patient care, support disease awareness and provide education to healthcare professionals as well as support for charities and their fundraising activities in the community.

As a new biopharmaceutical company, AbbVie combines the expertise of a recognised pharmaceutical company with the focus and innovative spirit of a biotech.

Flexi Impact Program

Funding Provider: Hub Australia

Amount: Unspecified Closes: 29th Nov 2025

Apply: https://www.hubaustralia.com/flexi-impact-memberships

Offers complimentary 12-month memberships to entrepreneurs or people part of a business working to make a positive difference to our community and environment.

The program offers a portion of desks to impact-driven businesses, giving them free access to a Hub location for the whole year with a Flexi-Impact membership.

Amazon Launchpad

Funding Provider: Amazon Amount: Unspecified Closes: Always Open

Apply: https://sell.amazon.com.au/launchpad

Provides an opportunity for new and emerging brands to accelerate their growth locally and scale globally. Amazon Launchpad is an exclusive program that showcases innovative products from startups and emerging brands like yours to millions of Amazon customers.

The Launchpad program makes it easy for brands to launch new products on Amazon and help get them discovered. Launchpad uses Amazon's world-class expertise, global infrastructure, and powerful marketing tools to help you tell your story and deliver your products.

Future of Life Institute Technology Grants

Funding Provider: Future of Life Institute

Amount: Unspecified Closes: Always Open

Apply: https://futureoflife.org/our-work/grantmaking-work/

Supports vital cutting-edge work with a wise, future-oriented mindset. The Future of Life Institute's mission is to steer transformative technologies away from extreme, large-scale risks and towards benefiting life. The Institute provides financial support for promising work aligned with their mission.

Enterprise Activate and Elevate Programs

Funding Provider: Enterprise Tasmania

Amount: Unspecified Closes: Always Open

Apply: https://enterprize.space/programs/activate/

Offers online courses for entrepreneurs and startups. Enterprise Activate is all about meeting you where you're at, wherever that is (anywhere in Australia!). The startup industry and the idea of being a founder – of creating your own thing, starting your legacy, being known for something great – is extremely appealing.

Activate is a 6 week self-guided, entirely digital bootcamp in everything you need to know to activate your entrepreneurial spirit – or to work out quickly that it isn't for you!

Market Development Fund

Funding Provider: Tyre Stewardship Australia & Clark Rubber

Amount: Up to \$225,000 Closes: Always Open

Apply: https://www.tyrestewardship.org.au/innovation/fund-guidelines-and-application/

Seeks Australian manufacturers, innovators, entrepreneurs, polymer experts and other relevant businesses who can demonstrate how rubber from Australia's used tyres can be used in new products.

Grants of up to \$250,000 are available to applicants to help commercialise innovation to products, and be part of creating Australia's circular economy for used tyres.

Industry Growth Program

Funding Provider: Australian Department of Industry, Science and Resources

Amount: Unspecified **Closes:** Always Open

Apply: https://business.gov.au/grants-and-programs/industry-growth-program#apply-now

Offers support for innovative SMEs to commercialise and grow their business. The Industry Growth Program will support innovative small and medium enterprises undertaking commercialisation and/or growth projects within the National Reconstruction Fund (NRF) priority areas. Participating businesses will have access to Advisory Services to help them overcome significant challenges that may be associated with their projects.

LaunchVic Unsolicited Proposals

Funding Provider: Launchvic Amount: Unspecified Closes: Always Open

Apply: https://launchvic.org/grants/

Accepts unsolicited proposals, in special circumstances, for grants outside of its communicated grant rounds or its refunding of high-performing programs.

While LaunchVic do not fund startups directly via unsolicited proposals, the programs they fund aim to provide the services needed to assist early-stage and scaling startups through their journey.

Good2Give Workplace Giving Platform

Funding Provider: Good2Give

Amount: Unspecified **Closes:** Always Open

Apply: https://good2give.ngo/charity-registration/

Provides charities with an easy way for businesses and donors to give. Good2Give is a not-for-profit that makes it easy for businesses and donors to give. Since 2001, the platform has facilitated more than \$250 million to over 8,000 Australian, New Zealand and international communities.

Victorian Business Growth Fund

Funding Provider: Treasury and Finance

Amount: Unspecified **Closes:** Always Open

Apply: https://business.gov.au/grants-and-programs/victorian-business-growth-fund

Supports long-term growth opportunities for businesses and boost employment and economic development across the State.

Established by the Victorian Government and First State Super, the Fund will operate for 10 years and will help to address barriers faced by successful small and medium enterprises (SMEs) that are ready to grow their business but can't access the funds or find the right partner they need to take the next step.

Small Business Income Tax Offset

Funding Provider: ATO Amount: \$1,000 Closes: Always Open

Apply: https://business.gov.au/grants-and-programs/small-business-income-tax-offset

The small business income tax offset can reduce the tax on your small business income by up to \$1,000 each year. The offset is worked out on the proportion of tax payable on your business income.

Financial Incentives for businesses to hire new staff

Funding Provider: Australian Government

Amount: Up to \$10,000 Closes: Always Open

Apply: https://business.gov.au/grants-and-programs/wage-subsidies

Wage subsidies ranging up to \$10,000 may be available to businesses that hire eligible individuals into ongoing jobs. Businesses looking to fill an ongoing position, should get in touch with their nearest Workforce Australia, ParentsNext or Transition to Work provider for help to find the right person for the job.

Providers may offer a wage subsidy to help with some of the initial costs of hiring a new employee. The wage subsidy is to help with some of the initial costs of hiring the new employee, to help ensure the success of their employment.

Free wellbeing support, business advice and financial counselling for VIC small businesses

Funding Provider: Victorian Government

Amount: Free wellbeing support, business advice and financial counselling.

Closes: Always Open

Apply: https://business.gov.au/grants-and-programs/partners-in-wellbeing-small-business-support-vic

The Victorian Government's free and confidential Partners in Wellbeing helpline provides wellbeing support, business advice and financial counselling to business operators, their staff, and families.

Subsidised internships for Victorian Businesses

Funding Provider: Victorian Government

Amount: \$5,000 wage subsidy

Closes: Always Open

Apply: https://djsir.vic.gov.au/digital-jobs/businesses

This program provides businesses with an opportunity to host a digitally trained candidate through a subsidised 12-week internship.

Training streams include, artificial intelligence, cloud computing, cyber security, data analytics, customer relationship management, digital marketing, enterprise resource planning and others.

Financial incentives for businesses to reduce their carbon emissions

Funding Provider: Australian Government **Amount:** Australian carbon credit units (ACCUs)

Closes: Always Open

Apply: https://business.gov.au/grants-and-programs/emissions-reduction-fund

The Emissions Reduction Fund provides businesses with the opportunity to earn Australian carbon credit units for every tonne of carbon dioxide equivalent a business store or avoids emitting through adopting new practices and technologies.

This can be through projects involving:

- new technology
- upgrading equipment
- changing business practices to improve productivity or energy use
- changing the way vegetation is managed to store more carbon.

Nonprofit Technology Grant

Funding Provider: Little Phil Foundation

Amount: Up to \$1,000 Closes: Always Open

Apply: https://www.littlephil.org/lp-foundation

Offers nonprofit organisations funds to procure technology to help maximise their impact. Are you a Registered Nonprofit looking to gain financial assistance for an all-in-one fundraising platform? Little Phil offers tech grants for audacious change-makers.

CSIRO Kick-Start

Funding Provider: CSIRO **Amount:** \$10,000 to \$50,000

Closes: Always Open

Apply: https://www.csiro.au/en/work-with-us/funding-programs/SME/CSIRO-Kick-Start/about

Provides Australian start-ups and small to medium enterprises with matched funding to undertake research activities with CSIRO to grow and develop their business.

Innovations Connections Grant

Funding Provider: Australian Department of Industry, Science, Energy and Resources

Amount: Up to \$50,000 Closes: Always Open

Apply: https://www.csiro.au/en/work-with-us/funding-programs/SME/SME-success-

stories?start=0&count=12

Provides small and medium sized businesses with access to expert technology advice to address technology and knowledge gaps and collaborate with the research sector in developing new ideas with commercial potential.

Industry Development Fund

Funding Provider: Manufacturing Skills Australia

Amount: \$1,000 - \$10,000 **Closes:** Always Open

Apply: https://www.mskills.org.au/industry-development-fund/

Provides financial support to help individuals to further their skills and knowledge through training, education and/or research within Australia's critically important Manufacturing industries.

West End Retail Kickstarter Grant Program

Funding Provider: West End Melbourne

Amount: \$15,000-\$150,000 **Closes:** Always Open

Apply: https://westend.melbourne/terms-and-conditions/

Provides grants to access spaces for businesses of all shapes, sizes and scales in Melbourne's West End. Grant funding may only go towards eligible, pre-approved costs, including set-up costs, brand and marketing, fit-out costs, equipment and operational costs.

Business Advice

Funding Provider: Business Victoria

Amount: Unspecified **Closes:** Always Open

Apply: https://business.vic.gov.au/grants-and-programs/business-advice

Business Victoria, in partnership with Monarch Institute, delivers virtual business advice sessions for Victorian businesses. Business owners and those wishing to start a business can receive one free 45-minute session with an expert who can advise on:

- Marketing, website, digital marketing strategies
- Employing and managing staff
- Financial strategies to increase sales and profits.

COMMUNITY

Veterans Grants

Funding Provider: Victorian Government

Amount: Unspecified Closes: Unspecified

Apply: https://www.vic.gov.au/grants-support-and-commemorate-veterans

The Minister for Veterans encourages all caucus members to promote the opening of two grant opportunities that commemorate and support the wellbeing of Veterans and their families.

The Anzac Day Proceeds Fund assists ex-service organisations and veterans' community groups to provide practical support to the veteran community. It does this by funding welfare and wellbeing-related activities. This funding helps organisations whose principal objective is providing welfare to the ex-service community.

The Victoria Remembers Grant Program are available for projects honouring or commemorating veterans' service or educating Victorians about veterans' contributions.

Multicultural Business Precinct Revitalisation Program

Funding Provider: Business Victoria **Amount:** \$50,000 to \$250,000 **Closes:** 09th October 2025

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Apply: https://business.vic.gov.au/grants-and-programs/multicultural-business-precinct-revitalisation-program

The Multicultural Business Precinct Revitalisation Program offers grants to Victorian local councils to support improvements to multicultural business precincts within their municipality. Grants between \$50,000 and \$250,000 are available per multicultural business precinct.

The program aims to:

- boost economic activity in multicultural business areas
- support councils, business groups and traders to work together to deliver precinct improvements
- celebrate the cultural diversity of local traders
- improve the quality of spaces for businesses and the community in multicultural precincts.

The grant is part of the Victorian Government's *Supporting our Multicultural Traders and Precincts* commitment, aligning with broader economic growth goals.

It reflects the Labor Government's effort to increase opportunities for Victorians in outer-metropolitan and regional areas, and children and young people.

Snowy Hydro Community Grant Program

Funding Provider: Snowy Hydro **Amount:** Up to \$10,000

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Closes: 12th October 2025

Apply: https://www.snowyhydro.com.au/communitygrantsprogram/

Offers grants to support and deliver positive and lasting outcomes for the local communities. The program is underpinned by four community commitment pillars:

- Education and development: dedicated to fostering educational opportunities and career pathways for local young people with a focus on STEM (science, technology, engineering and mathematics)
- Health and wellbeing: supports the health and wellbeing of our community by nurturing initiatives focussed on the physical and mental wellbeing
- Regional capacity building: encourages active engagement and participation in community by supporting initiatives to encourage sustainable growth and boost capacity
- Environment: responsible for caring and protecting the environment and creating a sustainable future.

Community Grants

Funding Provider: Equity Trustees

Amount: Unspecified CLOSING SOON

Closes: 13th October 2025

Apply: https://www.eqt.com.au/our-services/community/grant-funding/community-grants

Our Community Grants Program supports locally led initiatives that tackle barriers, strengthen community networks, and centre self-determination and social justice.

We're backing diverse leaders and social innovators to build resilient communities and ensure new ideas and solutions are seen, heard, and acted upon.

Our approach is to reduce the administration burden on organisations; by building efficiencies into the way we facilitate and assess grant rounds. We do this by seeking one application that is considered across multiple, aligned Trusts managed by Equity Trustees.

Multicultural Festivals and Events Program

Funding Provider: VIC Department of Families, Fairness & Housing

Amount: Up to \$50,000 Closes: 23rd October 2025

Apply: https://www.vic.gov.au/multicultural-festivals-and-events-program

Funds community organisations to hold cultural festivals and events for Victorians. There are two key objectives:

- To ensure Victorians can celebrate and preserve cultures, and share traditions
- To encourage the broader Victorian community to take part in events that further learning, understanding and respect for different cultures and traditions.

The program offers grants of up to \$50,000 to support activities that promote and foster social cohesion. Over \$1 million will be available through the Regional Multicultural Festivals and Events Fund. This fund supports multicultural community organisations to deliver events across regional Victoria.

The Readings Foundation Grants

Funding Provider: The Readings Foundation

Amount: \$1,000 - \$20,000 **Closes:** 28 October 2025

Apply: https://www.readings.com.au/the-readings-foundation

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Assists Victorian organisations that support the development of literacy, community integration and the arts.

The aims of the Foundation are to:

- Aid the work of organisations that respond to the needs of disadvantaged groups living in our community
- Focus on literacy, education and creative writing in all its forms
- Support projects which respond to a perceived need within the community.

Community Sponsorship

Funding Provider: WorkSafe Victoria

CLOSING SOON

Amount: Unspecified **Closes:** 31st October 2025

Apply: https://www.worksafe.vic.gov.au/community-sponsorship

Presents an opportunity for WorkSafe to sponsor an event or activity that supports their objectives. WorkSafe's Community Sponsorship program complements their public awareness campaigns and corporate sponsorship portfolio, providing a tangible link with the community.

Cemetery Trust Grants

Funding Provider: Victorian Government

CLOSING SOON

Amount: Unspecified **Closes:** 31st October 2025

Apply: https://www.health.vic.gov.au/cemeteries-and-crematoria/cemetery-grants-program

This grant is available to support the costs of new infrastructure, maintenance and equipment or training required to maintain amenity at cemeteries.

Community Support Initiative (CSI) Grant

Funding Provider: First Brick Real Estate

CLOSING SOON

Amount: \$500 to \$3,000 **Closes:** 31st October 2025

Apply: https://firstbrickrealestate.com.au/community-support-initiative/

This program supports local projects that address critical needs, enhance neighbourhood well-being, and stimulate economic opportunities.

Cemetery Grants

Funding Provider: VIC Department of Health

CLOSING SOON

Amount: Unspecified Closes: 31st October 2025

Apply: https://www.health.vic.gov.au/cemeteries-and-crematoria/cemetery-grants-program

Provides funding as a contribution to the cost of cemetery infrastructure, amenities, maintenance, equipment and training.

Class A and Class B cemetery trusts may apply to the department for a cemetery grant.

Cemetery trusts may apply to the department for grants relating to specific issues at their cemeteries in circumstances where they do not have funds available for the required expenditure.

Look Over The Farm Gate - Community Grants

Funding Provider: National Centre for Farmer Health

Amount: \$1,500 - \$5,000 **Closes:** 31st October 2025

Apply: https://www.unitedwayglenelg.com.au/our-work/grants/

Helps communities come together and support farmers and farming families under stress.

Promoting good mental health in agriculture is vitally important—particularly during challenging or stressful times.

This grants program empowers local organisations to create events and initiatives that are tailored to their unique community. The focus will be on activities which support mental wellbeing and bring people together but will include a wide range of events, as diverse as the communities where the ideas originate.

Indian Community Centre Expressions of Interest

Funding Provider:

Pre-service teacher Placement Grant

Amount: \$0-2,400,000 **Closes:** 12th November 2025

Apply: https://www.vic.gov.au/community-centre-expressions-interest

This Expression of Interest (EOI) program is intended to identify leading community organisations that have suitable capability, capacity and want to develop, build and manage a culturally-specific community centre in Melbourne's south-east.

Return to Work Innovations Grants

Funding Provider: WorkSafe Victoria

Amount: Up to \$500,000 Closes: 14th November 2025

Apply: https://www.worksafe.vic.gov.au/return-work-innovations-grants

Supports organisations to develop new initiatives that improve the recovery and return to work experience of injured workers in Victoria.

WorkSafe funds initiatives that:

- Remove barriers to workers' recovery
- Develop education and capability uplift
- Adopt new technologies, systems and processes to support recovery
- Apply a holistic approach to workers' needs and/or
- Forge collaborations and partnerships to drive innovation and best-practice approaches.

Scouts Victoria Monster Raffle

Funding Provider: Volunteer Emergency Services Equipment Program (VESEP)

Amount: Scouts Victoria **Closes:** 18th November 2025

Apply: https://scoutsvic.raffletix.com.au

Offers a chance to win fantastic prizes while helping local Scouts, schools, and community groups fund the programs and activities that matter.

Tickets are just \$2 and every purchase helps create more opportunities for communities across Victoria, NSW and the ACT.

Community Centre Expressions of Interest

Funding Provider: VIC Department of Premier & Cabinet

Amount: Up to \$2,400,000 Closes: 12th November 2025

Apply: https://www.vic.gov.au/community-centre-expressions-interest

Provides funding towards a community centre where community members can gather for activities, celebrate cultural traditions, and build community connections.

The Expression of Interest (EOI) program is intended to identify leading community organisations that have suitable capability, capacity and want to develop, build and manage a culturally-specific community centre in the area their community resides.

Community Supported Small Grants Program

Funding Provider: Walter and Eliza Hall Trust

Amount: Unspecified

Closes: *Date not yet confirmed by provider

Apply: https://www.wehalltrust.org.au/grant-programs

Provides funds to assist individuals experiencing financial disadvantage.

Social workers, case managers or allied health professionals employed by supporting charitable organisations (holding DGR item 1 status) may submit an application on behalf of an individual in need. This program operates in Queensland, New South Wales, the ACT and Victoria.

Safe Local Roads and Streets Program

Funding Provider: Victorian Transport Accident Commission (TAC)

Amount: Unspecified **Closes:** 30th Jan 2025

Apply: https://tac.smartygrants.com.au/SLRSPInnovativeProjects

Supports the development and delivery of road safety infrastructure projects on local roads. This \$200 million program is designed to integrate local governments' priorities with a Safe System approach.

The program will run from July 2023 to June 2027. Over this time, TAC will work with all Victorian local governments to plan, design and deliver \$200 million of safety improvements on the highest-risk local roads, intersections and precincts, such as schools.

Annie Danks Trust and Danks Trust Grants

Funding Provider: Annie Danks Trust and Danks Trust

Amount: Unspecified **Closes:** 31st January 2026

Apply: EOI forms can be obtained by emailing: danks.trust@gmail.com or anniedankstrust@gmail.com

**There is no website. **

Provides grants to charities and projects that assist communities, including in areas of education and youth, financial hardship, religion, and others.

The Danks Trust was established in 1927 and provides grants to charitable organisations or projects that fit categories of religion, education and/or the relief of poverty. Equity Trustees are a trustee.

The Andrews Foundation Grants

Funding Provider: The Andrews Foundation

Amount: Unspecified **Closes:** 31st October 2025

Apply: https://andrewsfoundation.org.au/apply-for-a-grant/

Seeks to improve the quality of life of communities in the South East Region of Victoria.

The Foundation's grants support organisations with innovative ideas that help create a positive and long lasting impact on these communities.

Areas supported:

- Healthmen;s
- Education
- Disadvantaged
- Disability
- Aged Care
- Environment.

Everyday Round Up to Charity

Funding Provider: ING Foundation

Amount: Unspecified **Closes:** None - Always Open

Apply: https://campaigns.ing.com.au/payitforward

Donates funds to charities through a rounding up process from eligible Orange Everyday purchases. By paying forward your small change, you can help make a difference to some of the most important causes across Australia.

To start rounding, ING customers need to activate the program in their Orange Everyday account and nominate their favourite charity.

Matched Fundraising Program

Funding Provider: June Canavan Foundation

Amount: Up to \$5,000 Closes: Always Open

Apply: https://www.junecanavanfoundation.org.au/matched-fundraising-program/

Helps raise money for Foundation-supported projects, contributing to community awareness of the Foundation and its work.

If your proposal is approved, the June Canavan Foundation will match the amount raised from approved Matched Fundraising projects on a dollar-for-dollar basis up to a maximum of \$5,000. This means you get twice as much value from your fundraising efforts, plus you have the satisfaction of contributing to the work of the June Canavan Foundation.

Coles Community Support

Funding Provider: Coles Amount: Unspecified Closes: Always Open

Apply: https://www.coles.com.au/about/our-partners/community/partnerships

Shines the spotlight on individuals in Australia and New Zealand who make a positive impact to their local community or environment.

Do you know someone who deserves to be recognised and supported for the positive impact they make to the local community or environment?

Givers Gain Gift Fund

Funding Provider: BNI Foundation

Amount: Unspecified Closes: Always Open

Apply: https://bnifoundation.com.au/#news

Provides up to \$1000 in donations to qualified schools and educational charities to support disadvantaged children.

A GGG is a donation made to schools and charities to help with small purchases that may not be funded in their budgets.

BNI members can connect BNI Foundation Australia to the school and/or educational charity.

Community Reward Program

Funding Provider: Beyond Bank Foundation

Amount: Unspecified Closes: Always Open

Apply: https://www.beyondbank.com.au/community-sector/services/community-reward-program/

Offers a sustainable fundraising platform for your local sporting club.

Created to reward organisations annually, the Community Reward Account is a savings account that allows supporters to save money while helping the club or cause to fundraise.

Coca-Cola My Product Donations

Funding Provider: Coca-Cola Australia Foundation

Amount: Unspecified Closes: Always Open

Apply: https://forms.benevity.org/98cdedc7-75fc-4a84-9bb8-1c63c4d26cb8

Supports community groups by providing donations of beverages.

Only Coca-Cola employees and groups registered with the Australian Charities and Not for Profit Commission can receive donations. Note that a maximum of 20x cases can be ordered at a time.

Utility Relief Grant Scheme

Funding Provider: VIC Department of Health & Human Services

Amount: Up \$1,300 Closes: Always Open

Apply: https://services.dffh.vic.gov.au/utility-relief-grant-scheme

Provides relief grants for paying overdue energy or water bills for low-income Victorians experiencing unexpected hardship. The grant provides help to pay a mains electricity, gas or water bill that is overdue due to a temporary financial crisis.

You must hold at least one of the following concession cards:

- Pensioner Concession Card
- Health Care Card
- Veterans' Affairs Gold Card.

Stavros Niarchos Foundation Grants

Funding Provider: Stavros Niarchos Foundation

Amount: Unspecified Closes: Always open

Apply: https://www.snf.org/en/apply-now/

Provides grants to nonprofit organizations globally in the areas of arts and culture, education, health and sports, and social welfare. For over twenty-five years, the Stavros Niarchos Foundation (SNF) has made grants to nonprofit organizations and projects around the world, working with an incredible community of partners to create transformative change whose benefits multiply and are shared widely.

At its core are a fundamentally collaborative approach based on the expertise of partners on the ground, a commitment to public-private partnership, and a belief that everyone should have access to art, education, health care, and life's other essentials.

Superyard Partnerships – Melbourne Cup Carnival

Funding Provider: Superyard

Amount: Unspecified Closes: Always open

Apply: https://superyard.com.au/melbourne-cup-2023/

Redistributes building materials from the Melbourne Cup Carnival to sectors in need. Superyard, in partnership with waste management leaders Cirka, is proud to make the Victoria Racing Club's 2023 Melbourne Cup Carnival a flagship for sustainable and circular economy practices.

Superyard will hold and redistribute reusable building materials from the Melbourne Cup Carnival. From pine wood and MDF panels to a range of other crucial building supplies, they're making sure nothing goes to waste.

Escaping Violence Payment Program

Funding Provider: UnitingCare

Amount: Up to \$5,000 Closes: Always open

Apply: https://www.petstock.com.au/pages/foundation-grant-program

Offers financial assistance to help those escaping domestic violence to move forward and set up a home free of violence.

Melbourne Airport Community Giving Fund

Funding Provider: Melbourne Airport

Amount: Up to \$2,000 Closes: Always open

Apply: https://www.melbourneairport.com.au/community/melbourne-airport-community-giving-

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Aims to help communities, arts, sports or service groups with any number of initiatives and projects. The new Community Giving Fund provides the chance for communities to apply for funding for projects that support community needs.

These may include uniforms for sporting clubs, supplies for art exhibitions or community events, upgrades to a social enterprise or contributions to community kitchens, libraries or gardens. All projects that support groups with their local communities will be considered.

Magistrates' Court Fund

Funding Provider: Magistrates' Court Victoria

Amount: Unspecified **Closes:** Always Open

Apply: https://www.mcv.vic.gov.au/find-support/court-fund

Offers funds to not-for-profit organisations which provide a charitable and/or community service for the benefit of Victorian citizens. The money must be used for emergency relief, to address disadvantage, and for community service for the benefit of Victorians.

Petstock Foundation Grant Program

Funding Provider: Petstock Foundation

Amount: Unspecified Closes: Always open

Apply: https://www.petstock.com.au/pages/foundation-grant-program

Supports organisations or projects that create long-term change and care for animals or help rehabilitate those in need.

Community Leases Program

Funding Provider: VicTrack Amount: Unspecified Closes: Always open

Apply: https://victrack.com.au/community/community-leases

Makes underused land and buildings available to community organisations. VicTrack works with tourist and heritage railway operators, not-for-profit organisations and local councils to make their land and property available for a diverse range of social and cultural programs, as well as for beautification and recreational purposes.

Container Deposit Scheme

Funding Provider: VIC Container Deposit Scheme (CDS)

Amount: Unspecified Closes: Always Open

Apply: https://cdsvic.org.au/fundraising

Gives charities and community groups the opportunity to raise funds while making an impact. You can now exchange eligible drink containers for 10 cents at locations across Victoria. You can either keep your refund or support your favourite charity or community organisation with a donation.

DWF Foundation Grants

Funding Provider: DWF Foundation

Amount: Up to \$5,000 Closes: Always Open

Apply: https://dwfgroup.com/en/about-us/dwf-foundation

Provides funds, resources and mentoring support to help individuals, groups and communities to achieve

their full potential.

Sanitarium Community Care Program

Funding Provider: Sanitarium

Amount: Unspecified Closes: Always open

Apply: https://www.sanitarium.com/au/social-purpose/community-care-guidelines

Offers mostly in-kind support (products) for community programs, projects, or activities. Sanitarium's Community Care team primarily focus on tackling hunger and food insecurity. If you wish to submit/ or have submitted a request for support towards a community program, project, or activity, please consider the following guidelines.

Utility Relief Grant Scheme

Funding Provider: VIC Department of Health and Human Services

Amount: Up to \$1,300 Closes: Always Open

Apply: https://services.dffh.vic.gov.au/utility-relief-grant-scheme

Provides relief grants for paying overdue energy or water bills for low-income Victorians experiencing unexpected hardship. You must hold one of the following concession cards, Pensioner Concession Card, Health Care Card, Veterans' Affairs Gold Card.

QBE Sponsorship

Funding Provider: QBE Insurance

Amount: Unspecified Closes: Always Open

Apply: https://www.qbe.com/au/about/sponsorship-community/sponsorship

Fosters sporting, arts and cultural partnerships. QBE partner with some of Australia's premier sport, culture and arts organisations. The partnerships are built around shared values of commitment, leadership, inclusion and diversity.

Australian Public Health Small Grants Program

Funding Provider: Walter and Eliza Hall Trust

Amount: Unspecified **Closes:** Always Open

Apply: https://www.wehalltrust.org.au/grant-programs

Provides financial assistance to patients in Australian public health settings for purposes considered necessary and/or essential to a patient's health and wellbeing. Assistance is provided when specified needs are desperate, and assistance is necessary to maintain the minimum standards of safety, security, protection, and comfort for the patient.

Helen MacPherson Smith Trust Grants

Funding Provider: Helen MacPherson Smith Trust

Amount: Unspecified Closes: Varies

Apply: https://hmstrust.org.au/applying-for-a-grant/

Supports Victorian-based organisations seeking to build connection, capability and capacity in communities or address educational disadvantage through community-based partnerships.

IMB Bank Sponsorship

Funding Provider: IMB Bank Community Foundation

Amount: Unspecified Closes: Always Open

Apply: https://www.imb.com.au/sponsorships-applying-for-sponsorship.html

Provides sponsorship for events or activities that showcase values of integrity, cooperation, community, excellence, and respect, and which are beneficial to the local community.

Bakers Delight Sponsorship

Funding Provider: Bakers Delight

Amount: Unspecified Closes: Always Open

Apply: https://www.bakersdelight.com.au/company/community/

Offers sponsorship to community groups, charities, teams, and individuals for all kinds of events. From local schools to sporting clubs, from charities to communities, Bakers Delight are there to help when you "knead" it.

My Giving Circle Grants

Funding Provider: My Giving Circle

Amount: Unspecified **Closes:** Always Open

Apply: https://mygivingcircle.org/

Helps charities and not-for-profit organisations access grants, grow their supporter base, raise their profile and generate donations. My Giving Circle is a social enterprise that is giving \$1,000,000 to charities this year.

Their mission is to give Charities, not-for-profits and community groups (large and small) a chance to:

- Receive grants that let them do more in their communities
- Grow their supporter and donor base by matching them with people most likely to be interested in what they do
- Raise donations and engage their supporter base.

Awesome Foundation Grants – Melbourne Chapter

Funding Provider: The Awesome Foundation

Amount: \$1,000 Closes: Always Open

Apply: https://www.awesomefoundation.org/en/chapters/melbourne

Funds community projects that make Melbourne 'more awesome'. Applications are open to all awesome projects in the greater Melbourne area. We are an active chapter which awards a \$1,000 grant on the last Tuesday of each month (submissions close 12pm on the Sunday prior).

Financial Capability Open Grants

Funding Provider: Ecstra Foundation **Amount:** \$5,000 to \$100,000

Closes: Always Open

Apply: https://www.ecstra.org.au/funding-principles-and-grant-guidelines

Ecstra Foundation is a new not-for-profit organisation committed to building the financial capability of all Australians within a fair financial system. It supports projects, programs and organisations that assist individuals to make informed and confidence decisions about money. This includes building organisation capacity, delivering an innovative approach and scaling up a proven program or approach.

IGA Community Chest

Funding Provider: Independent Grocers Australia (IGA)

Amount: Case by case basis

Closes: Always Open

Apply here: https://www.iga.com.au/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.

IGA Community Chest and associated programs have raised over \$86 million for local community groups, not-for-profit organisations, charities and other worthy causes. This money has assisted over 7,000 worthwhile causes.

Google Ad Grants

Funding Provider: Google Amount: Up to \$13,000 Closes: Always Open

Apply: https://www.google.com/grants/

Helps nonprofits share their causes with the world. Raise awareness, attract donors and recruit new volunteers using Google search ads. Google Ad Grants shows your message to people searching for nonprofits like yours.

Each qualifying nonprofit has access to up to AU\$13,000 per month in search ads shown on Google.com. Additional Google Ads may be purchased in a separate account.

The Marian and F.H. Flack Trust Grant

Funding Provider: The Flack Trust

Amount: Not specified **Closes:** Always Open

Apply: http://flacktrust.org/grants/

Provides financial support to charitable organisations which provide services to the elderly, to disadvantaged groups or organisations community health or creative arts.

Charitable Institutions:

- Services to aged care.
- Services to disadvantaged groups or organisations.
- Services to community health.

- Creative arts.

- Multiple service organisations.

Castello's Community Grants

Funding Provider: Castello Group

Amount: Unspecified Closes: Always Open

Apply: https://castellos.com.au/community/

Accepts nominations from not-for-profit organisations, charities or sporting groups seeking sponsorship or donations to assist a worthwhile cause or support a program or local community event. Castello's will award grants to organisations and programs that improve the lifestyle and wellbeing of the local community.

Good360 Membership Program

Funding Provider: Good360 Amount: Unspecified Closes: Always Open

Apply: https://good360.org.au/get-the-goods/

Enables members to select brand new goods they need for their program services, which have been donated by leading Australian brands and retailers. Products include nappies and toys for domestic violence shelters, notebooks for schools, clothing and toiletries for residential centres, make-up for teens and women experiencing hardship and much more.

Spark Legacy Program

Funding Provider: Spark Financial Group

Amount: Unspecified Closes: Always open

Apply: https://www.sparkfg.com.au/charities-we-support/

Aims to partner with charities to improve financial wellbeing of everyday Australians. The Spark Legacy Program will provide several mechanisms allowing its advisers to participate in initiatives that positively impact their local communities and drive meaningful change, including those relating to financial hardship, financial abuse, and mental health issues.

Sponsorship and Donation Programs

Funding Provider: Coliban Water

Amount: Unspecified **Closes:** Always open

Apply: https://coliban.com.au/community/supporting-community-events

Supports local events and organisations with free portable water station hire, and water related merchandise.

1. Portable water stations

You can apply to have free drinking water stations at your next outdoor community event

- Portable refill units that can refill drink bottles or cups
- Touch-free sensor-activated to ensure COVID Safe usage

- Great for outdoor community sporting events.

DISABILITY

Community Supported Small Grants Program

Funding Provider: Walter and Eliza Hall Trust

Amount: Unspecified

Closes: *Date not yet confirmed by provider

Apply: https://www.wehalltrust.org.au/grant-programs

Provides funds to assist individuals experiencing financial disadvantage.

Social workers, case managers or allied health professionals employed by supporting charitable organisations (holding DGR item 1 status) may submit an application on behalf of an individual in need. This program operates in Queensland, New South Wales, the ACT and Victoria.

Vulnerable Victorians - Ageing Well Grant Program

Funding Provider: State Trustees Australia Foundation

Amount: Up to \$750,000 Closes: 24th October 2025

Apply: https://www.statetrustees.com.au/philanthropy-and-charitable-giving/granting/ageing-well/

Aims to address systemic issues reducing quality of life for older Victorians, specifically areas of healthy ageing, financial abuse, and social isolation.

This grant round will be conducted as a two-stage process. Stage one will call for expressions of interest. Shortlisted applicants will then be invited to submit a full application.

The Foundation is seeking submissions that:

- Address systemic issues relating to 'positive ageing' for older Victorians
- Are innovative and take a systems view
- Have a focus on prevention
- Deploy integrative and collective impact approaches
- Promote cross-sector collaboration
- Provide an evidence base to demonstrate the effectiveness of programs
- Are Victorian based.

Educational Scholarships

Funding Provider: Variety Victoria

Amount: Up to \$1,000 Closes: 31st October 2025

Apply: https://fundraise.variety.org.au/how-we-help/educational-scholarships

Supports Victorian children who are experiencing disadvantage with assistance to cover basic educational needs.

To be eligible for a Variety Educational Scholarship, applicants need to be residents of Victoria and fall within the age range of 5 to 17 years old. Each applicant is eligible to hold only one scholarship within a 12-month period. Additionally, students must be enrolled in full-time primary, secondary, or tertiary education, which includes school years Prep - 12, TAFE, or other educational institutions.

Variety Heart Scholarships

Funding Provider: Variety Victoria

Amount: Up to \$5,000 Closes: 31st October 2025

Apply: https://fundraise.variety.org.au/heart-scholarships

Supports Victorian children with a demonstrated talent who are living with a disability, chronic illness, or financial hardship, to reach the next stage of development.

Categories:

1. Sports Scholarships

Sports scholarships support talent in areas such as, but not limited to:

- Physical sports including ball sports, athletics, cycling, gymnastics, swimming and martial arts
- Motor sports including cars, bikes and boats
- Animal assisted including equestrian and canine
- Mind sports including board games, card games and e-sports.

2. Arts Scholarships

Arts scholarships support talent in areas such as, but not limited to:

- Visual Arts including ceramics, drawing, painting, photography, filmmaking and game design/coding
- Performing Arts including dance, music and theatre
- Literary Arts including fiction, drama, poetry and prose.

3. Jack Eadon Equestrian Scholarship

- The Jack Eadon Equestrian Variety Heart Scholarship is designed to help fund the costs of competing in equestrian events, including the funding of equipment, training, and travel
- This scholarship recognises and honours the success, talent, and impact of Jack Eadon in the equestrian community. As well as his equestrian achievements, Jack was known for his generosity and described as a true gentleman and a role model to riders of all ages.

Athlete with a Disability Grant

Funding Provider: Barwon Sports Academy

Amount: \$50 - \$500 Closes: None - Always Open

Apply: https://www.barwonsportsacademy.org.au/grants-and-funding

Support talented athletes with a disability from the Barwon region who are finding it hard to meet the financial demands of their sport.

Who qualifies for assistance?

- Individual athletes with a disability who reside in the Barwon region
- Teams ineligible
- Sportspeople participating in activities classified as recognised sports by regional, state, national sporting bodies
- Athletes must be 11 years or older and within the talent pathway of their chosen sport
- Athletes must be recognised by their sport as either qualified for BSA membership or have a high probability of future qualification.

Variety Victoria

Funding Provider: Variety Victoria

Amount: Unspecified **Closes:** Always open

Apply: https://fundraise.variety.org.au/individual-grants

<u>Community Grant</u> - Provides grants to Victorian schools and organisations for the purchase of equipment that will promote all-access and inclusivity in the community. 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.

<u>Individual Grant</u> - Provides assistance towards the purchase of mobility equipment, communication devices and essential medical and health equipment to support children who have a medically diagnosed chronic illness or disability.

Sargood Foundation Grants

Funding Provider: Sargood Foundation

Amount: Unspecified Closes: Always open

Apply: https://sargoodfoundation.org.au/category/grants/

Funds an extensive and diverse program of grants and donations that aim to make a difference to those living with Spinal Cord Injury. The Sargood Foundation's vision is that all people affected by Spinal Cord Injury are provided with every opportunity to live life to the fullest. Grants include accommodation grants and travel grants.

Disabled Children's Foundation Grants

Funding Provider: Disabled Children's Foundation

Amount: Unspecified **Closes:** Always open

Apply: https://www.facebook.com/disabledchildrensfoundation

Aims to promote the health, welfare and interests of disabled children around Australia and to ensure children with disabilities and their families have the same opportunities as all people to enjoy the benefits from participation in the community.

Arthur Marsden Whiting Sympathy Fund

Funding Provider: Equity Trustees Foundation

Amount: Up to \$3,000 Closes: Always open

Apply: https://www.eqt.com.au/philanthropy/grant-funding/folder-medical-grants/arthur-marsden-

whiting-sympathy-fund

Provides assistance to people with a physical disability who are in need of financial support.

Opportunity Scholarships

Funding Provider: Walter and Eliza Hall Trust

Amount: Unspecified Closes: Always open

Apply: https://www.wehalltrust.org.au/grant-programs

Awards scholarships to students with a physical disability and those undertaking a degree in special needs education. There are 22 university scholarships that are provided through 11 partner universities.

Deaf Connect Grants and Sponsorships

Funding Provider: Deaf Connect

Amount: Unspecified **Closes:** Always open

Apply: https://deafconnect.org.au/get-involved/grants-sponsorships

Supports deaf, deaf/blind and hard of hearing Australians and activities and organisations that benefit the community. Deaf Connect is wanting to invest \$300,000 for community members of the Deaf community to achieve their goals, whether they be recreational, career-oriented or wellbeing focused.

Dylan Alcott Foundation

Funding Provider: Dylan Alcott Foundation

Amount: Unspecified Closes: Always open

Apply: https://www.dylanalcottfoundation.com.au/

Aims to eliminate the barriers facing young people with a disability in fulfilling their dreams. The Dylan Alcott Foundation is committed to helping young Australians with disabilities overcome the barriers of entry to sport and education by providing fundraising for grants, scholarships, and mentoring.

Employment Assistance Fund

Funding Provider: Job Access

Amount: Varies
Closes: Always open

Apply: https://www.jobaccess.gov.au/employment-assistance-fund-eaf

Provides financial help to eligible people with disability and mental health conditions and employers to buy work related modifications, equipment, Ausland services and workplace assistance and support services.

Home Support Grants

Funding Provider: Youngcare Amount: Up to \$5,000 Closes: Always open

Apply: https://youngcare.com.au/what-we-do/grants/home-support-grants/

Provides essential funding to assist people in moving from inappropriate housing, such as aged care, rehabilitation or hospital, into somewhere more appropriate.

This may involve returning home or transitioning to more specific housing for their needs, such as Specialist Disability Accommodation (SDA).

Funding is available for people with extreme functional impairment caused by a physical disability. This can be used for essential disability equipment, home modifications, and basic household items such as whitegoods and essential furniture.

Rehabilitation Appliance Program

Funding Provider: Department of Veterans' Affairs

Amount: Undisclosed Closes: Always Open

 $\textbf{Apply:} \ \underline{\text{https://www.dva.gov.au/get-support/health-support/care-home-or-aged-care/services-support-post-support/health-support/care-home-or-aged-care/services-support-post-support/health-support/services-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-support-post-$

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If you are a Gold or White Card holder (with assessed clinical need), you can access aids or appliances to help you maintain independence in your home through the Rehabilitation Appliances Program (RAP). Items can include active listening devices, diabetic products, mobility aids, assistance dogs, etc.

The Tye Recreation Fund

Funding Provider: Deaf Children Australia

Amount: Unspecified **Closes:** Always open

Apply: https://www.deafchildrenaustralia.org.au/scholarships-and-grants/

Provides financial assistance to organisations and individuals towards the cost of holidays and recreation opportunities for Victorian children who are deaf.

The Frankie Foundation Grants

Funding Provider: The Frankie Foundation

Amount: \$200-\$2,000 Closes: Always open

Apply: https://thefrankiefoundation.org/apply-for-a-grant/

Helps support kids continue or start therapy if their NDIS plan budget has run out or a therapy or service is not covered by their current NDIS plan. Families can apply for a grant of up to \$1,000 to cover up to 10 therapy sessions for a child ages 2 to 12 years of age and currently on a NDIS plan or waiting plan approval. The Frankie Foundation will award grants monthly.

EDUCATION AND RESEARCH

Community Education Program

Funding Provider: Ansavar Insurance)

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Amount: Up to \$50,000 Closes: 24th October 2025

Apply: https://www.ansvar.com.au/community-education-program-the-program/

These grants have a focus on supporting the education and life skill development needs of disadvantaged young Australians.

Building Blocks Grants - Improvement Stream: Minor Infrastructure

Funding Provider: Victorian School Building Authority

Amount: Up to \$150,000 CLOSING SOON

Closes: 27th October 2025

Apply: https://www.schoolbuildings.vic.gov.au/building-blocks-grants-improvement

This grant program focuses on education and literacy programs at grass-roots level assisting organisations that support the development of literacy, community integration and the arts. Funds small refurbishments and refurbishments to early learning facilities.

Building Blocks Grants consists of four streams:

- Capacity building stream
- Improvement stream (this listing)
- Inclusion stream
- Planning stream.

The Building Blocks Improvement stream offers grants to help kindergartens refurbish or renovate early childhood buildings and facilities, and purchase information technology to assist the delivery of educational programs and service administration.

Building Blocks Grants - Improvement Stream: Early Learning Facility Upgrades

Funding Provider: Victorian School Building Authority

CLOSING SOON

Amount: Up to \$750,000 Closes: 27th October 2025

Apply: https://www.schoolbuildings.vic.gov.au/building-blocks-grants-improvement

Provides funding for renovating or refurbishing facilities to improve the quality of learning environments for kindergarten children.

Building Blocks Grants consists of four streams:

- Capacity building stream
- Improvement stream (this listing)
- Inclusion stream
- Planning stream.

The Building Blocks Improvement stream offers grants to help kindergartens refurbish or renovate early childhood buildings and facilities, and purchase information technology to assist the delivery of educational programs and service administration.

Readings Foundation Grant

Funding Provider: VIC Department of Education

CLOSING SOON

Amount: Unspecified Closes: 28th October 2025

Apply: https://www.readings.com.au/the-readings-foundation

This grant program focuses on education and literacy programs at grass-roots level assisting organisations that support the development of literacy, community integration and the arts.

Australian Seniors Aged Care Futures Grant

Funding Provider: Australian Seniors

CLOSING SOON

Amount: Up to \$5,000 Closes: 31st October 2025

Apply: https://www.seniors.com.au/grants/aged-care-grant

Helps to encourage the best people into the aged care industry.

This Grant is offered annually to one person.

To be eligible, you must be a domestic undergraduate enrolled full-time in an accredited Australian Tertiary Education Institution and studying for a certificate, diploma, degree or traineeship in any of the following areas:

- Aged Care

- Aged Care Nursing
- Dementia Care
- Disabilities Care
- Any other courses leading to similar careers as an aged carer

Creating Period Pride Competition

Funding Provider: Share the Dignity CLOSING SOON

Amount: Up to \$1,000 - \$5,000 **Closes:** 20th October 2025

Apply: https://www.sharethedignity.org.au/end-period-poverty/creating-period-pride

Aims to end the shame and stigma that surrounds periods.

Share the Dignity is asking young Australians in schools and community groups to create 'Period Pride Media' to inspire, entertain and get people talking about periods!

The Creating Period Pride competition encourages Australia's youth to submit creative, thought-provoking content that aims to remove the shame and stigma associated with having a period.

Pre-Service Teacher Placement Grants Program

Funding Provider: VIC Department of Education

Amount: Unspecified **Closes:** 1st December 2025

Apply: https://www.vic.gov.au/pre-service-teacher-placement-grants-program

Supports pre-service teachers completing a teaching placement in an eligible regional, remote or specialist Victorian government school.

To apply for a grant, pre-service teachers must complete a teaching placement:

- In an eligible regional, remote or specialist Victorian government school
- Between 1 July 2023 to 31 December 2025.

School Rewards Program

Funding Provider: The Pancake Parlour

Amount: \$1,000 - \$6,000 **Closes:** 31st December 2025

Apply: https://www.schoolrewards.com.au

Offers cash prizes and perks for Victorian schools through a rewards program.

Register your School to play in The Pancake Parlour's new School Rewards program!

Receive a \$1,000 Partnership Pack upon sign up. Compete against other schools in your local restaurant league for \$1,000 cash! Take out The Pancake Parlour Premier flip overall and win a whopping \$10,000 for your School.

RMIT University Advanced Diploma of Interpreting Scholarship

Funding Provider: Victorian Government

Amount: \$7,750

Closes: 6th February 2026

Apply: https://www.vic.gov.au/rmit-university-advanced-diploma-interpreting-scholarship

The Victorian Government is offering scholarships to students who are accepted into the 2026 <u>Advanced</u> Diploma of Interpreting program at RMIT University to study interpreting in one of these languages:

Greek

- Italian
- Korean
- Punjabi
- Russian
- Sinhalese
- Tamil
- Urdu
- Vietnamese.

The Scholarship is to study an Advanced Diploma of Interpreting, which is a one-year, full-time program that begins in February 2026 and finishes in November 2026.

Most of the course activities are delivered online, with some in-person classroom sessions held at RMIT University's City Campus.

Collaboration and Curriculum Access Fund

Funding Provider: CCAF Amount: \$10,000 to \$30,000 Closes: 30th June 2026

Apply: https://www.vic.gov.au/collaboration-and-curriculum-access-fund

The VCE Vocational Major (VCE VM) and Victorian Pathways Certificate (VPC) were introduced in 2023, providing students with access to high-quality, relevant vocational education and applied learning programs in their senior secondary years.

Building on funding invested by the Victorian Government in 2022, a further \$2.4 million over 2 years has been committed to continue the Collaboration and Curriculum Access Fund (CCAF) in 2024-25 and 2025-26.

The 2025-26 round of the CCAF will provide targeted funding to support government schools to build strong collaborative practice across schools, and with TAFE non-school providers, to support high-quality delivery of VCE VM and VPC programs, and support schools to introduce the VPC from 2026.

Funding awarded through the 2025-26 round of the CCAF will support the following objectives:

- Objective 1: Building collaboration amongst schools, and between schools and TAFE non-school providers
- Objective 2: Supporting student access to VPC programs.

Venture Grants

Funding Provider: Cancer Council Victoria

Amount: Unspecified **Closes:** None - Always Open

Apply: https://www.cancervic.org.au/research/grants/venture-grants

Supports innovative cancer researchers with courageous ideas who would not be able to attract conventional funding.

The Council are seeking the brightest cancer researchers who are willing to push the boundaries of conventional thinking to achieve major breakthroughs in cancer treatment and diagnosis.

Applications are welcomed that relate to causes, prevention, diagnosis, supportive care or treatment of cancer and that present a scientifically sound vision that if successful, would open the way for significant advances in cancer control.

Building Blocks Grants - Planning

Funding Provider: Victorian School Building Authority

Amount: Up to \$150,000 Closes: None - Always Open

Apply: https://www.schoolbuildings.vic.gov.au/building-blocks-grants-planning

Provides grants for planning and pre-construction work on kindergarten building projects that support

the roll-out of three-year-old kindergarten across Victoria.

Building Blocks Grants consists of four streams:

- Capacity building streamImprovement stream
- Inclusion stream
- Planning stream (this listing).

We Care Wig Grant

Funding Provider: Variety Amount: Up to \$5,000 Closes: Always Open

Apply: https://www.variety.org.au/wigs/

Provides wigs to kids who have lost their hair due to Alopecia or another medical condition that results in permanent hair loss.

Variety provides wigs to kids who have lost their hair due to alopecia or another medical condition that results in permanent hair loss. Losing your hair can have profound psychological effects, particularly through childhood and adolescence. One specialised wig can cost up to \$5,000 and lasts two to three years so the cost is prohibitive for many families.

GoodWillGrow Charity Partnerships

Funding Provider: GoodWillGrow

Amount: Unspecified Closes: Always Open

Apply: https://goodwillgrow.co/#get-started

Connects small to medium-sized non-profits with passionate SME sponsors, creating a sustainable cycle of support and impact while delivering tangible ROI for businesses.

Goodwillgrow empowers charities and businesses to thrive through mutually beneficial partnerships. They help non-profits develop sponsorship programs that deliver a tangible return on investment for businesses, creating a sustainable cycle of support.

Innovative Solutions Support Fund

Funding Provider: Australian Department of Education, Skills & Employment

Amount: Unspecified **Closes:** Always Open

Apply: https://idfm.org.au/funding-streams/innovative-solutions

Funds flexible and alternative solutions to address inclusion barriers in early childhood education and care services. Innovative Solutions Support Projects are individualised and are developed on a case-by-case basis in response to the specific inclusion barriers identified by a service.

Opportunity Scholarships

Funding Provider: Walter and Eliza Hall Trust

Amount: Unspecified Closes: Always Open

Apply: https://www.wehalltrust.org.au/grant-programs

Awards scholarships to students with a physical disability and those undertaking a degree in special needs education. These are 22 university scholarships that are provided through 11 partner universities. Of the 22 available scholarships, 20 are awarded to students with a physical disability to assist with study-related expenses, and 2 are for students who are undertaking a degree in special needs education.

Safe Tree Program

Funding Provider: Department of Education

Amount: Unspecified **Closes:** Always Open

Apply: https://www2.education.vic.gov.au/pal/buildings-grounds-maintenance/guidance/safe-tree-

program

Helps Government schools in Victoria manage high-risk trees on their grounds. Schools must manage trees on school sites as part of their occupational health and safety responsibilities. Government schools can apply for help to assess, manage or remove high-risk trees.

Financial assistance under this program is available:

- To engage a qualified arborist to assess the health of all trees on site
- To complete tree works recommended by a qualified arborist.

Community Child Care Fund Special Circumstances Grant

Funding Provider: Department of Education, Skills, and Employment

Amount: Assessed on case-by-case basis

Closes: Always Open

Apply here: https://www.education.gov.au/cccfspecialcircs

The CCCF Special Circumstances Grant Opportunity is designed to support continuity of childcare, in disadvantaged or vulnerable communities.

Childcare services who are approved for Child Care Subsidy (CCS) are eligible to apply for funding where there is a financial need to continue to provide childcare in the community.

The amount of funding provided to applicants will be determined on a case-by-case basis, depending on other funding sources for the service.

Student Emergency Grant

Funding Provider: Monash University

Amount: Up to \$5,000 Closes: Always Open

Apply: https://www2.education.vic.gov.au/pal/buildings-grounds-maintenance/guidance/safe-tree-

program

Helps students whose financial situation is affecting their ability to continue their studies and are in need of urgent and immediate aid. The money is to help meet essential needs such as accommodation, food or technology.

ENVIRONMENT, CONSERVATION AND SUSTAINABILITY

The Knight Grant Program

Funding Provider: The Knight

CLOSING SOON

Amount: Unspecified Closes: 03 Oct 2025

Apply: https://www.vic.gov.au/grants-support-and-commemorate-veterans

Offers Owners Corporations the opportunity to apply for either a complete social engagement package or a tailored waste solution – both designed to enhance community connection or sustainability. The Knight is an Owners Corporation management company providing body corporate services across Melbourne and Geelong.

1. Community Grants

High Neighbour are the world's first social enterprise dedicated to fostering vibrant communities in high-density residential buildings.

The Knight are offering one of three events for your OC to choose from:

- Choose 1x event: Ice Breaker Evening, Lawn Game Champion, or Resident's BBQ & Trivia
- Event managed by a High Neighbour Community Manager
- All equipment and supplies provided
- Food & Drink: Organised by High Neighbour, covered by The Knight
- Up to 50 guests can attend.

2. Sustainability Grants

Reground are a team of waste and resource recovery experts that specialise in developing clear, simple, and innovative solutions for complex waste challenges.

The Knight are offering four options for your OC to choose from:

- 6 months of soft plastic & textile collections (weekly collection of approximately 240L per bin)
- Waste contractor review (includes reviewing current waste contract and providing recommendations)
- Waste and recycling education sessions (tailored to building challenges like food waste or waste stream contamination)
- Visual waste audit and snapshot report (audit of the building's bins and tailored recommendations for improvement).

Summer By the Sea Grants

Funding Provider: Victorian Government

CLOSING SOON

Amount: Unspecified **Closes:** 15th October 2025

Apply: https://www.marineandcoasts.vic.gov.au/coastal-programs/coastcare-victoria/summer-by-the-

sea

The Victorian Government provides funding through the annual Summer By The Sea (SBTS) Grants program for free public events on coastal Crown Land.

Since 2021, the SBTS Grants has delivered over 250 free events reaching more than 15,000 people. These events champion inclusivity and enhance the diversity of Victorians who visit and care for our coastal environments.

The SBTS 2026 Grants program supports community participation, engagement and education to enhance community knowledge and understanding of coastal and marine management in the face of climate change.

The SBTS Grants objectives are:

- champion inclusivity and increase the diversity of Victorians visiting and caring for our coastal environments
- strengthen the capacity of Victorians to take informed action on conservation, sustainability and climate change through event-based educational activities
- prioritise Traditional Custodians' Self-Determination in caring for Country, recognising their deep knowledge and enduring connection to Sea Country
- promote positive behaviour change and marine and coastal volunteering and stewardship.

Energy Resilience Community Fund (ERCF)

Funding Provider: AusNet Amount: \$5,000 - \$50,000 Closes: 14th November 2025

Apply: https://www.ausnetservices.com.au

Provides grants to community and not-for-profit organisations, local councils and small businesses to help build and strengthen community energy resilience.

This means communities will be less impacted by and recover faster from extreme weather events and other electricity reliability challenges.

Building community energy resilience plays an important role in a community's overall resilience.

Batteries Energy Innovation Fund

Funding Provider: VIC Department of Environment, Land, Water & Planning

Amount: Up to \$2,000,000 Closes: 28th November 2025

Apply: https://www.energy.vic.gov.au/grants/energy-innovation-fund

Supports the commercialisation of emerging, innovative and transformational renewable energy technologies and projects.

The Energy Innovation Fund supports the commercialisation of innovative, emerging renewable energy technologies in Victoria, required to meet the net-zero emissions by 2045 target.

Solar for Apartments Program

Funding Provider: Solar Victoria Amount: Up to \$140,000 Closes: 30th April 2026

Apply: https://www.solar.vic.gov.au/apartments#application-process

Reduces the cost of installing solar PV on apartment buildings.

Note - 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.

The program will help existing Victorian apartment buildings move towards electrification and will provide more opportunities for low-and middle-income apartment households to access the benefits of green energy technology.

Kindling Initiative – Purpose of Kindling Initiative

Funding Provider: Tiny Beam Fund

Amount: Unspecified Closes: Always Open

Apply: https://tinybeamfund.org/Kindling-Initiative

Fires up academic researchers and institutions' interest in negative impact of industrial animal agriculture.

GIVIT

Funding Provider: GIVIT Amount: Unspecified Closes: Always Open

Apply: https://www.givit.org.au/sign-up

Helps eligible organisations obtain the essential items and services they need to support people in need around Australia.

GIVIT is an Australian non-profit organisation that connects donors with people and communities in need. It helps organisations by acting as a bridge between charities, community groups, and donors, ensuring that essential goods and resources go directly to those who need them most.

Wildlife Habitat Fund

Funding Provider: Southwest Environment Alliance

Amount: Up to \$10,000 Closes: Always open

Apply: https://sealliance.org.au/wildlife-habitat-fund/

Invites private landholders who live in the project area to apply for funding to create habitat for wildlife.

The SEA Wildlife Habitat Fund supports on-ground activities that protect or improve wildlife habitat. This may include artificial habitat, native vegetation, waterways, wetlands or soils and may involve:

- Pest plant control (capped at \$1,500 per project site)
- Protective fencing for re-vegetation or protecting remnant vegetation, waterways or wetlands
- Revegetating with native plants.

Qantas Climate Fund

Funding Provider: Qantas Amount: Unspecified Closes: Always Open

Apply: https://www.qantas.com/au/en/qantas-group/sustainability/our-planet/climate-fund.html

Invests in the development of solutions critical to meeting QANTAS' sustainability targets and reducing their impact on the planet – in the air and on the ground. The Qantas Climate Fund investment priorities tie directly to supporting their ambition and targets:

1. Sustainable aviation fuel - catalyse sustainable aviation fuel supply and secure access at Australian and strategic international ports.

- 2. Nature based solutions secure access to high-integrity carbon offsets with biodiversity and social co-benefits.
- 3. Carbon removal technology catalyse supply and secure access to mechanical carbon removal solutions for sustainable aviation fuel and offsets.
- 4. Operational efficiency and waste access solutions to drive progress against operational efficiency and waste targets.

Super yard Partnerships – Melbourne Cup Carnival

Funding Provider: Superyard **Amount:** Unspecified

Closes: Always open

Apply: https://superyard.com.au/melbourne-cup-2023/

Redistributes building materials from the Melbourne Cup Carnival to sectors in need. Superyard, in partnership with waste management leaders Cirka, is proud to make the Victoria Racing Club's 2023 Melbourne Cup Carnival a flagship for sustainable and circular economy practices.

Superyard will hold and redistribute reusable building materials from the Melbourne Cup Carnival. From pine wood and MDF panels to a range of other crucial building supplies, they're making sure nothing goes to waste.

Solar Panel (PV) Rebate

Funding Provider: Victorian Government

Amount: Up to \$1,400 Closes: Unspecified

Apply: https://www.solar.vic.gov.au/solar-panel-rebate

The solar homes program provides rebates of up to \$1,400 towards the installation of solar panel (PV) systems. These rebates are offered to Victorians with existing homes, homes under construction, and rental properties. Eligible customers who have previously received a rebate and have moved house can also apply.

Inspiring Environmental Solutions

Funding Provider: Environment Protection Authority Victoria

Amount: Unspecified Closes: Always Open

Apply: https://www.epa.vic.gov.au/about-epa/our-programs-and-projects/inspiring-environmental-

solutions

Invites Victorian communities to develop projects which benefit both the community and the environment affected by a pollution event. Projects should have a clear connection to the prosecuted offence, enable affected residents to have a greater connection to their local environment and engage directly with affected residents throughout the project.

Wildlife Training Grants

Funding Provider: WIRES Amount: Unspecified Closes: Always open

Apply: https://www.wires.org.au/training/wildlife-training-grants

Provides the opportunity for licensed wildlife rescue and care groups around Australia to access WIRES wildlife rescue and rehabilitation training. Under the programme WIRES has provided over \$22,000 in

training to 735 volunteers from 15 organisations and we are keen to support as many organisations as possible. WIRES launched the Training Grant Programme and the Introduction to Wildlife Rescue Course in the wake of the horrific 2019/2020 emergency events, to support wildlife rescue groups on a broader scale and improve outcomes for animals nationally.

Australian Small Grants Program

Funding Provider: The Sunrise Project

Amount: Up to \$10,000 Closes: Always open

Apply: https://sunriseproject.org/grants/

Provides small grants for grassroots climate change initiatives. The Sunrise Project raises funds from people and organisations who share their mission to drive the transition from fossil fuels to clean energy to reduce greenhouse pollution and create a healthy and prosperous future for everyone.

Liveable Communities, Liveable Waterways Programs

Funding Provider: Melbourne Water

Amount: Unspecified Closes: Always open

Apply: https://www.melbournewater.com.au/services/grants/liveable-communities-liveable-waterways-

program

Undertakes a range of activities that help improve the health of our waterways and deliver Melbourne Water's vision to enhance life and liveability. Melbourne Water is looking for projects and longer-term partnerships that provide value to Melbourne Water, their customers, partners and community.

Purves Environmental Fund

Funding Provider: Purves Environmental Fund

Amount: Up to \$50,000 Closes: Always open

Apply: https://www.purvesenvirofund.org.au/funding

Supports proposals that meet the Fund's current focus areas: species loss from habitat destruction, landscape and water management, and climate change and solutions. All interested applicants must complete an Expression of Interest prior to proceeding to an application.

Clean Energy Innovation Fund

Funding Provider: Clean Energy Innovation Fund

Amount: Unspecified Closes: Always open

Apply: https://www.cefc.com.au/where-we-invest/special-investment-programs/clean-energy-

innovation-fund/

Invests in innovative businesses helping to accelerate the transition to net zero emissions. The Innovation Fund prioritises activity across four high impact areas – Clean energy transition, mobility and smart cities, food and agriculture and circular economy and industry.

HEALTH, WELLBEING & AGED CARE

Funding for Healthcare Initiatives

Funding Provider: AbbieVie CLOSING SOON

Amount: Unspecified **Closes:** 10th October 2025

Apply: https://www.abbvie.com.au/responsibility/grants-and-donations.html

This small grant supports not-for-profits to deliver healthcare education events or initiatives, disease awareness activities, the production of education materials and digital content and specific fundraising activities.

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SRL Community Projects Fund

Funding Provider: Suburban Rail Loop (SRL)

Amount: \$10,000 - \$80,000 **Closes:** 24th October 2025

Apply: https://bigbuild.vic.gov.au/projects/suburban-rail-loop/community/community-fund

Provides local community groups and councils the opportunity to deliver exciting new initiatives and projects along the SRL East corridor – delivering benefits to communities from Cheltenham to Box Hill well before trains start running.

Suburban Rail Loop (SRL) East will create a brand new 26 km underground rail line in the middle ring of Melbourne suburbs that will move passengers from the SRL station at Cheltenham to the SRL station at Box Hill in around 22 minutes.

Growing Healthier Communities

Funding Provider: VicHealth Amount: Up to \$150,000 Closes: 30th October 2025

Apply: https://www.vichealth.vic.gov.au/funding/growing-healthy-communities-grants-round-2

This funding is available for organisations that support young people and their families to achieve good health and wellbeing.

Australian Seniors Aged Care Futures Grant

Funding Provider: Australian Seniors

Amount: \$5.000

Closes: 31st October 2025

Apply: https://www.seniors.com.au/grants/aged-care-grant

Helps to encourage the best people into the aged care industry. This Grant is offered annually to one person.

To be eligible, you must be a domestic undergraduate enrolled full-time in an accredited Australian Tertiary Education Institution and studying for a certificate, diploma, degree or traineeship in any of the following areas:

- Aged Care
- Aged Care Nursing
- Dementia Care
- Disabilities Care
- Any other courses leading to similar careers as an aged carer

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Amgen Australia Donations

Funding Provider: Amgen Australia

Amount: Unspecified **Closes:** Always Open

Apply: https://www.amgen.com.au/responsibility/Donations#

Makes donations to the healthcare and non-healthcare community to further educational, scientific, or other charitable purposes.

Australian Public Health Small Grants Program

Funding Provider: Walter and Eliza Hall Trust

Amount: Unspecified Closes: Always Open

Apply: https://www.wehalltrust.org.au/grant-programs

Provides financial assistance to patients in Australian public health settings for purposes considered necessary and/or essential to a patient's health and wellbeing. Applications must be made by social workers, occupational therapists, physiotherapists, or other health professionals on behalf of their patients.

Prevention Partnerships

Funding Provider: nib Foundation

Amount: Unspecified Closes: Always Open

Apply: https://www.nib.com.au/foundation/funding/prevention-partnerships-program

Supports widely accessible and innovative health promotion and primary prevention initiatives that encourage Australians to adopt healthy lifestyle habits.

Practice Incentives Program

Funding Provider: Services Australia

Amount: Unspecified Closes: Always Open

Apply: https://business.gov.au/grants-and-programs/practice-incentives-program

Provides funding for general practices to help them continuously improve, provide quality care, enhance capacity and improve access and health outcomes for patients.

Humpty Dumpty Foundation Funding

Funding Provider: Humpty Dumpty Foundation

Amount: Unspecified Closes: Always Open

Apply: https://www.humpty.org.au/for-hospitals

Provides urgently required medical equipment for neonatal units, paediatric wards, and emergency departments in public hospitals and health services Australia-wide. The Humpty Dumpty Foundation has been providing support for children's health services since 1996. Humpty supports around 500 hospitals and health services across Australia. If your hospital needs equipment to support the care of sick babies and children, they can help.

Heart Foundation Research Funding

Funding Provider: Heart Foundation

Amount: Unspecified **Closes:** Always Open

Apply: https://www.heartfoundation.org.au/research/research-funding/research-funding-available

Provides a range of opportunities for individual researchers and projects that support the Foundation's goal to prevent heart disease, improve heart health and enhance the quality of life of all Australians.

The Heart Foundation is proud to be Australia's largest non-government funder of heart-related research. Their research funding programs support and develop excellence in heart research, from bench to bedside and beyond.

Cerebral Palsy Alliance Research Foundation Grants

Funding Provider: Cerebral Palsy Alliance

Amount: Unspecified Closes: Always Open

Apply: https://cerebralpalsy.org.au/research-foundation/

Funds and supports ground-breaking research into the prevention, treatment and possible cures of cerebral palsy.

CPA Research Foundation provides grants in three categories, designed to encourage both established researchers with a track record of excellence and promising, early-career researchers who are still emerging in the field:

- PhD Research grant
- Emerging Researcher grant
- Project grant.

Movember Funding Opportunities

Funding Provider: The Movember Foundation

Amount: Unspecified Closes: Always Open

Apply: https://au.movember.com/about/funding

Funds a significant number of programs through their men's health partners and will notify interested parties when funding opportunities are available in your region.

Arcare Grants Program

Funding Provider: Arcare Family Foundation

Amount: Unspecified Closes: Always Open

Apply: https://www.arcarefamilyfoundation.org.au/grants

Encourages and supports innovations that give all Australians the opportunity to age well, envisioning a community where older people are valued, supported, and thriving.

HOUSING & HOMELESSNESS

Ritchies Community Benefit Program

Funding Provider: Ritchies IGA

Amount: Unspecified **Closes:** Always Open

Apply: https://www.ritchies.com.au/ritchies-loyalty/community

Raises funds for local clubs, schools or charities via a membership card program.

The Community Benefit Program enables Ritchies Supermarkets to pay a percentage of your shop to the club, school, or charity of your choice.

The Ritchies Community Benefit Program commenced back in August 1993. Ritchies have paid over \$54 million to over 5,000 clubs, schools and charities from 1993 to the present day.

Community Partnership Program

Funding Provider: Hume Bank

Amount: Unspecified Closes: Always Open

Apply: https://www.humebank.com.au/community/community-partnership-program/

Provides support to local organisations through sponsorship, donations or in-kind support.

Hume Bank is committed to making a real difference in their community. To help them do that, they have crafted a series of community impact priorities that reflect their values and goals.

Street Smart

Funding Provider: StreetSmart Australia

Amount: \$500 - \$15,000 Closes: Always Open

Apply: https://streetsmartaustralia.org/whowehelp/

Exists to improve the lives of people experiencing or at risk of homelessness. *Please note - Grants are currently by invitation only. *

StreetSmart works to end homelessness - they believe everyone should have a safe and secure place to call home. StreetSmart plays a unique role in the homelessness sector providing funding and support for smaller community-based and grassroots homelessness and community services.

Pathways to Employment and Housing

Funding Provider: William Buckland Foundation

Amount: Unspecified **Closes:** Always Open

Apply: https://williambucklandfoundation.org.au/pathways-to-employment-and-housing/

Ensures Victorians have access to culturally safe, secure jobs and stable housing. Application is by invitation only; however, organisations can register their interest in this program on the providers website.

Transition to Independent Living Allowance

Funding Provider: Australian Department of Social Services

Amount: Up to \$1,500 Closes: Always Open

Apply: https://www.dss.gov.au/our-responsibilities/families-and-children/benefits-

payments/transition-to-independent-living-allowance-tila

Helps eligible young people cover some basic costs as they leave out-of-home care.

Victorian Property Fund

Funding Provider: Consumer Affairs Victoria

Amount: Up to \$20,000 Closes: Always Open

Apply: https://www.consumer.vic.gov.au/clubs-and-fundraising/funded-services-and-grants/victorian-property-fund-grant-application-guide

Supports housing development projects that will increase the supply of affordable accommodation for low income and disadvantaged Victorians.

First Homeowner Grant

Funding Provider: State Revenue Office Victoria

Amount: \$10,000 Closes: Always Open

Apply: https://www.sro.vic.gov.au/first-home-owner

Offers first homeowners a grant of \$10,000 towards the purchase of a new home. If you are buying or building a new home valued up to \$750,000, you may be eligible.

Home Support Grants

Funding Provider: Youngcare Amount: Up to \$5,000 Closes: Always Open

Apply: https://youngcare.com.au/what-we-do/grants/home-support-grants/

Provides essential funding to assist people in moving from inappropriate housing, such as aged care, rehabilitation or hospital, into somewhere more appropriate.

This may involve returning home or transitioning to more specific housing for their needs, such as Specialist Disability Accommodation (SDA).

Victorian Homebuyers Fund

Funding Provider: State Revenue Office Victoria

Amount: Unspecified Closes: Always Open

Apply: https://www.sro.vic.gov.au/homebuyer

Supports eligible homebuyers with a government contribution of up to 25% towards the purchase price of their property. The Victorian Homebuyer Fund is a shared equity scheme, meaning that the State's financial contribution is made in exchange for a share, or proportional interest in the property.

Peter & Lyndy White Foundation Grants

Funding Provider: Peter & Lyndy White Foundation

Amount: Unspecified **Closes:** Always Open

Apply: https://www.plwf.org.au/grants/

Supports 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. Following a successful preliminary email enquiry, some organisations may be requested to complete a more in-depth written grant application.

Escaping Violence Payment Program

Funding Provider: UnitingCare

Amount: Up to \$1,500 Closes: Always Open

Apply: https://www.unitingvictas.org.au/services/family-services/family-violence-services/escaping-

violence-payment/

Offers financial assistance to help those escaping domestic violence to move forward and set up a home free of violence.

Are you, or someone you know, trying to leave or have left intimate partner violence? An intimate partner is someone you have been in a romantic relationship with such as husband, wife, partner, boyfriend, or girlfriend.

That violence can be:

- Physically, verbally or sexually abusive
- Emotionally, spiritually or psychologically abusive
- Economically abusive
- Threatening, coercive, or seeking to control or dominate the other person.

INDIGENOUS AUSTRALIANS

YIRRAMBOI Commissions

Funding Provider: YIRRAMBOI

Amount: \$34,000

Closes: 19th October 2025

Apply: https://yirramboi.com.au/2027-commissions-eoi/

Invites Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander artists, collectives, community groups and arts organisations based in Victoria to submit an EOI for bold new works for YIRRAMBOI Festival 2027.

Since 2017, YIRRAMBOI has been a platform for the future of First Nations arts. Now in its fifth iteration, YIRRAMBOI Commissions return to uncover and world premiere bold new works for YIRRAMBOI Festival 2027

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Opening The Doors Foundation Grants

Funding Provider: Opening The Doors Foundation CLOSING SOON

Amount: Unspecified

Closes: Opens: 01 Nov 2025*

Apply: https://www.openingthedoors.org.au/apply-now

Supports educational opportunities for First Nations children.

It provides First Nations children from regional, remote and urban communities across Australia, with educational opportunities within Victorian non-government schools - enabling them to participate fully and equally in education, by supporting families to make their own choices about their children's future for their entire education journey from foundation to Year 12. It is the only First Nations organisation that supports a child throughout their entire13-year educational journey. The achievement of a successful and culturally appropriate education experience helps 'Close The Gap', radically altering the systemic and generational disadvantage currently being experienced.

First Mortgage Removal Program

Funding Provider: First Peoples - State Relations

Amount: Unspecified **Closes:** None - Always Open

Apply: https://www.firstpeoplesrelations.vic.gov.au/first-mortgage-removal-program

Supports First Nations organisations to gain control over their property, giving them control of the full capital of their properties.

The First Mortgage Removal Program supports First Nations organisations to have firstmortgages held in favour of the Minister for Treaty and First Peoples removed from their properties.

The program enables First Nations organisations to borrow against their properties and invest in activities that enhance organisational autonomy and sustainability for the communities they service.

Youth Education and Empowerment Grant

Funding Provider: Humanists Victoria

Amount: \$1,000 - \$5,000 **CLOSING SOON**

Closes: 2nd October 2025

Apply: https://communityfoundation.org.au/grant-rounds/humanists-victoria-youth/

Supports initiatives in Victoria that are working to promote and/or protect the human rights and civil liberties of individuals and groups, especially those experiencing discrimination.

Humanists Victoria exists to help create a civil society in which people can lead an ethical and fulfilling life, relying co-operatively on reason, ingenuity, creativity, and compassion, free from discrimination or supernatural beliefs. This philosophical approach to life respects the dignity of every individual and is called Humanism.

YIRRAMBOI Commission

Funding Provider: City of Melbourne

Amount: \$17,000

Closes: 19th October 2025

Apply: https://yirramboi.com.au/2027-commissions-eoi/

The grant program supports Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander artists, collectives, community groups and arts organisations in projects including theatre, dance, music, visual arts, multi-art form and experimental practice.

Growing Healthy Communities Grants

Funding Provider: VicHealth Amount: \$10,000 - \$150,000 Closes: 30th October 2025

Apply: https://www.vichealth.vic.gov.au/funding/growing-healthy-communities-grants-round-2

Funds organisations that support young Victorians (0-25 years) and their families to achieve good health and wellbeing.

Everyone should have access to the resources they need to be healthy.

Many young Victorians (0-25 years) and their families face structural barriers to good health. These barriers can be more significant for those who:

- Are women and girls
- Come from lower socio-economic backgrounds
- Have disabilities
- Experience mental health or psychological distress
- Live outside metropolitan areas
- Identify as LGBTIQA+
- Are from Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities
- Are from culturally and racially diverse communities.

Aboriginal Sport Participation Grant Program - Category 1 & 2

Funding Provider: Sport & Recreation Victoria

Amount: Up to \$15,000 Closes: 2nd December 2025

Apply: https://sport.vic.gov.au/funding/aboriginal-sport-participation-grant-program

Assists Aboriginal Victorians to participate in Aboriginal sport carnivals, buy sports uniforms and equipment, as well as funding for travel and accommodation expenses for athletes to compete in state and national competitions.

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Agency Collaborates NEW

Funding Provider: National Indigenous Australians Agency

Amount: Unspecified Closes: 30th December 2025

Apply: https://www.grants.gov.au/Go/Show?GoUuid=4d03e046-8708-4b17-885c-6f7dff10519a

Considers giant proposals that address a need for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. Proposals should be developed with the target community or group who will be impacted by the activity.

Stolen Generations Reparations

Funding Provider: Victorian Government

Amount: Unspecified Closes: 31st March 2027

Apply: https://www.grants.gov.au/Go/Show?GoUuid=4d03e046-8708-4b17-885c-6f7dff10519a

Helps address the trauma and suffering caused by the forced removal of Aboriginal children from their families, community, culture, identity and language.

Indigenous Advancement Strategy - Community Initiated Proposals

Funding Provider: National Indigenous Australians Agency

Amount: Unspecified **Closes:** None - Always Open

Apply: https://www.niaa.gov.au/our-work/grants-and-funding/community-initiated-proposals

Considers grant proposals that address a need for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people. The Indigenous Advancement Strategy (IAS) is the way the Australian Government funds and delivers a range of programs for Indigenous Australians.

Community Initiated Proposals must be developed with the community or group who will be impacted by the activity.

Australian Dental Association Grants

Funding Provider: Australian Dental Association (ADA)

Amount: Unspecified Closes: Always Open

Apply: https://ada.org.au/about/grants

Offers a range of study grants for post-graduate, Indigenous, rural and remote students, and those involved in nursing and allied health professions.

Grants include:

- Grants for First Nations Dentist Students. Five grants worth \$5000 each for First Nations dental students are awarded each year.
- Grants for Rural and Remote Dentist Students. Ten grants worth \$5000 each for dental students from rural and remote regions in Victoria, New South Wales, South Australia, the Northern Territory, Western Australia, Queensland and Tasmania.

ABC Future Fund

Funding Provider: ABC Foundation

Amount: Unspecified Closes: Always Open

Apply: https://abcau.com.au/future-fund/

Provides funding for projects aligned with the Future Fund focus areas, such as On-Country Education, On-Country Care, and On-Country Research & Development.

The ABC Future Fund is a registered public fund administered by ABC Foundation Ltd and its primary aim is to provide funding to support ABC Foundation's On-Country programs in line with its strategic plan. Funding for small one-off community events will also be made available.

Disaster Recovery Quick Response Grants

Funding Provider: Australian Government Indigenous Land & Sea Corporation

Amount: Up to \$20,000 Closes: Always Open

Apply: https://abcau.com.au/future-fund/

Assists any Indigenous corporation whose property has been directly affected by a declared natural disaster, such as a flood, bushfire, or cyclone.

The funding can be used for immediate clean up your property, work to make your property safe and purchase plant and equipment to assist with recovery efforts.

The Healing Foundation Grants

Funding Provider: The Healing Foundation

Amount: Unspecified Closes: Always open

Apply: https://healingfoundation.org.au/about-us/funding/

Works with Stolen Generations Organisations to support the healing needs of Stolen Generations survivors and their descendants.

Community Initiated Grant Proposals

Funding Provider: National Indigenous Australians Agency

Amount: Unspecified Closes: Always open

Apply: https://www.niaa.gov.au/our-work/grants-and-funding/community-initiated-proposals

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.

First Nations Futures Funding Platform

Funding Provider: First Nations Futures

Amount: Unspecified **Closes:** Always open

Apply: https://www.firstnationsfutures.com/

Redistributes wealth and collectively invests in First Nations initiatives creating intergenerational change. Delivers unrestricted funding, long-term investment, and community-led impact.

Indigenous Advancement Grants – PBC Capacity Building Funding

Funding Provider: National Indigenous Australians Agency

Amount: \$50,000-\$70,000 **Closes:** Always Open

Apply: https://www.niaa.gov.au/our-work/grants-and-funding/indigenous-advancement-strategy

Aims to assist native title holding corporations, known as Prescribed Bodies Corporate (PBCs), to generate economic benefits through the effective and sustainable management of their land.

The Indigenous Advancement Strategy (IAS) is the way the Australian Government funds and delivers a range of programs for Indigenous Australians.

Our Country Our Future

Funding provider: Australian Government Indigenous Land & Sea Corporation

Amount: Unspecified Closes: Always Open

Apply: https://www.ilsc.gov.au/partner-with-us/our-country-our-future/

Provides a wide range of assistance to Indigenous Australians including to acquire land and water-related rights, and to manage Indigenous-held land and Indigenous waters.

CAGES Foundation Grants

Funding provider: CAGES Foundation

Amount: Unspecified Closes: Always Open

Apply: https://cagesfoundation.org/

<u>Community Grants</u> - Supports Aboriginal controlled organisations responding to an immediate need, focused on children aged under five.

<u>Economic Inclusion</u> - Supports Aboriginal controlled organisations to promote economic inclusion for First Nation people through assisting with project costs including core expenses and internal investment products.

Stolen Generations Funeral Fund

Funding provider: Victorian Government

Amount: Up to \$10,000 Closes: Always Open

Apply: https://connectinghome.org.au/survivors-families/stolen-generations-funeral-fund

Supports families of Stolen Generations who have passed away. Eligible applicants may receive up to \$10,000 towards a funeral; a headstone or plaque; and/or repatriation of your Stolen Generations family member.

Seeding Strengths Grants – Rapid Response

Funding provider: Foundation For Young Australians

Amount: \$2,000 - \$10,000 **Closes:** Always Open

Apply: https://www.fya.org.au/program/seeding-strengths-grants/

Provides grants to First Nations young people (aged 16-35 years) for urgent campaigns/movements/initiatives relating to social change in response to systematic oppression & specific injustices of First Nations young people.

Round 3 of the Seeding Strength Grants is distributing up to \$100,000 to young Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and organisations fighting injustice and building Blak power.

WKSN Education, Health and Wellbeing Fund

Funding provider: Ravensthorpe Nickel Operations Pty Ltd

Amount: Unspecified Closes: Always Open

Apply: https://www.noongar.org.au/news/2021/11/29/applications-open-for-wksn-education-health-

amp-wellbeing-fund

Supports descendants of the Wagyl Kaip and Southern Noongar people to apply for funding to pursue an improved way of life in the areas of disadvantage facing Noongar people.

Applications must address gaps and disadvantage for Wagyl Kaip people in the areas of: Education Support, Community Funding, Health and Wellbeing.

First Nations Documentary Development Program

Funding provider: Screen Australia

Amount: Up to \$30,000 Closes: Always Open

Apply: https://www.noongar.org.au/news/2021/11/29/applications-open-for-wksn-education-health-

amp-wellbeing-fund

Seeks to provide practitioners with the opportunity to create appropriate written and/or visual materials to ensure that projects are as strong as possible when competing for production finance. Emerging Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander producers are encouraged to apply.

What funding is available?

- Up to \$30,000 for one-off feature and series documentaries intended for a Commissioning Platform
- Up to \$20,000 for one-hour television documentaries
- Up to \$20,000 for online series productions.

LGBTQIA+

GLOBE Victoria Community Grants

Funding Provider: GLOBE Victoria

Amount: Up to 1,000 Closes: 26th October 2025

Apply: https://globevictoria.com.au/grants-and-scholarship/

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GLOBE Victoria has a long and proud history of providing financial support to Victorian LGBTIQA+ communities with the GLOBE Victoria Community Grants and more recently the GLOBE Victoria Scholarships and GLOBE Victoria Small Business Grants. Over the last 33 years, GLOBE Victoria has donated hundreds of thousands of dollars to deserving individuals, groups and organisations.

This year (2025) the value of the GLOBE Victoria Small Business Grants is \$2000 each and the GLOBE Victoria Community Grants are \$1000. We will announce the recipients of the Grants and Scholarship on 13 November at our November Connections event.

Small Grants Program

Funding Provider: Pride Foundation Australia

Amount: \$1,000

Closes: 17th November 2025

Apply: https://pridefoundation.org.au/small-grants/

Grants aren't just provided to LGBTQIA+ based services but are also given to mainstream organisations to support the further breakdown of barriers that exist for LGBTQIA+ young people in all spaces. The Small Grants program supports projects proposed by individuals and or organisations and or communities who would otherwise be limited by the constraints of other funding programs.

The maximum grant has been increased to \$1000 in 2022 and there will be more grants awarded (if successful) each round. The project needs to directly or indirectly assist, involve and benefit LGBTQIA+ people and promote positive social outcomes and mental health in the community.

We welcome applications that are particularly creative and innovative, and those that are put forward by individuals, communities and organisations that have not received small grant funding in the previous 2 years. We regard favourably projects that work as partnerships between individuals and organisations.

HEY Grants

Funding Provider: Youth Affairs Council of Victoria

Amount: Up to \$10,000 Closes: 24th October 2025

Apply: https://www.yacvic.org.au/get-involved/hey/hey-grants/

Supports organisations (both specialist LGBTIQ+ and mainstream youth organisations) to undertake mental health promotion and community engagement activities which focus on LGBTIQ+ young people, aged between 14 and 25 years.

I Am Me Foundation Grants

Funding Provider: I Am Me Foundation

Amount: Unspecified Closes: Always Open

Apply: https://iamme.org.au/tell-us-your-story/

Extends a helping hand to the LGBTQIA+ community and provides support through services that might otherwise remain inaccessible to many.

Transurban Partnerships

Funding Provider: Transurban

Amount: Unspecified Closes: Always Open

Apply: https://www.transurban.com/communities/partnerships-and-grants

Invests in partnerships that support diversity and inclusion, build capacity and create lasting change. Transurban's purpose is to strengthen communities through transport.

Community Micro-Grants

Funding Provider: Black Rainbow

Amount: \$300 Closes: Always Open

Apply: https://blackrainbow.org.au/what-we-are-doing/

Assists with hosting Indigenous LGBQTI community events. Black Rainbow's microgrants are available to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander LGBTIQA+SB community members.

These micro-grants are to the value of \$300 and include \$200 to assist with hosting Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander LGBTIQA+SB led community events.

Each grant comes with a swag of selected Black Rainbow merchandise. Black Rainbow assesses all requests every Friday. Requests need to be in by Thursday, the day before.

Broadtree Foundation Grants

Funding Provider: Broadtree Foundation

Amount: Up to \$25,000 Closes: Always Open

Apply: https://www.volunteering.com.au/broadtree-foundation/

Supports the improvement of the quality of life for people identifying as gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender, intersex, queer and their families.

SPORT AND RECREATION

Significant Sporting Events Program – Event Development Grants

Funding Provider: Sport & Recreation Victoria

Amount: Up to \$20,000 to \$150,000

CLOSING SOON

Closes: 15th October 2025

Apply: https://vic.netball.com.au/funding-opportunities

https://sport.vic.gov.au/funding/significant-sporting-events-program

<u>Event Development Grant</u> - Develops or expands sporting events, or for events with high operational costs.

<u>Event Assistance Grants</u> – Offers grants to event organisers seeking funding support to assist with general operational costs associated with hosting sporting events.

The Significant Sporting Events Program is available to sporting events that are national or international in focus, or have regional significance, and are recognised by a relevant sporting body.

Kids Tennis Program

Funding Provider: Australian Tennis Foundation

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Amount: Up to \$3,500 Closes: 24th October 2025

Apply: https://www.tennis.com.au/about-tennis-australia/australian-tennis-foundation/what-we-

do/kids-tennis

Offers targeted primary schools the opportunity to engage qualified tennis coaches to deliver extracurricular tennis activities modelled on Tennis Australia's highly successful Hot Shots program. The program will teach participants valuable resilience skills to support the development of good mental health.

The Program aims to use tennis as a vehicle to support children impacted by misfortune, adversity, poverty, distress, social and/or geographical disadvantage to strengthen resilience, to promote self-esteem and build a sense of belonging.

Funding Details:

- Up to \$3,500 per school
- Equipment will be provided in addition to the \$3,500 grant if needed.

Sporting Schools Grants

Funding Provider: Australian Sports Commission

Amount: Up to \$4,150

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Closes: 27th October (OPENS) 2025

Apply: https://www.ausport.gov.au/schools/schools/funding

Helps primary schools and secondary schools in relation to year 7 and 8 students deliver sport-based activities before, during or after school hours.

Sporting Schools offers grant opportunities for primary schools, and targeted grant opportunities for secondary schools in relation to year 7 and 8 students. Grants support the delivery of sport-based programs to help students build the confidence and capability to be active for life. Sport Australia has partnered with more than 35 national sporting organisations (NSOs) to facilitate delivery of Sporting Schools programs.

Local Sports Infrastructure Fund

Funding Provider: Victorian Government

Amount: \$40,000 - \$500,000 **Closes:** 02nd December 2025

Apply: httpd://sport.vic.gov.au/funding/local-sports-infrastructure-fund

The Fund aims to deliver new and upgraded community sports infrastructure across 3 streams:

- Community Facilities
- Community Sports Lighting
- Planning.

The Fund is underpinned by the Department of Jobs, Skills, Industry and Regions' (DJSIR) priorities to create more opportunities for people through skills and jobs, help businesses and industries to thrive, and build vibrant communities and regions.

Emergency Sporting Equipment Grant Program

Funding Provider: Sport & Recreation Victoria

Amount: Up to \$2,000 **Closes:** 31st May 2026

Apply: https://sport.vic.gov.au/funding/emergency-sporting-equipment-grant-program

Provides funding for community sport and active recreation organisations across Victoria to replace essential sport or first aid equipment that has been lost or destroyed because of unpreventable incidents.

Access to this funding helps grassroots organisations replace or repair essential sport or first aid equipment that has been lost or destroyed because of unpreventable incidents, including bushfire, flood, significant storm, earthquake, theft, arson, or criminal damage.

Ritchies Community Benefit Program

Funding Provider: Ritchies IGA

Amount: Unspecified Closes: Always open

Apply: https://www.ritchies.com.au/ritchies-loyalty/community

Raises funds for local clubs, schools or charities via a membership card program.

Ritchies has been running its successful Community Benefit program since 1993. We believe it is the easiest, simplest method to support your favourite club, school or charity. This program is one of the benefits available for Ritchies Card members.

Strategic Development Fund

Funding Provider: World Netball

Amount: Up to \$5,000

Closes: Always open

Apply: https://netball.sport/support/strategic-development-fund/

Aims to support Member Associations in developing netball aligned with the World Netball Strategy, and your Association strategy. To apply for the fund your association must be a Full Member of World Netball.

Macca's Sponsorships

Funding Provider: McDonald's

Amount: Unspecified Closes: Always open

Apply: https://mcdonalds.com.au/learn/responsibility/maccas-community/get-sponsored

Contributes to sporting organisations that develop kids' sports skills and provide opportunities for them to play.

Macca's wants to deliver valuable benefits to the wider community. They want to help children live a more balanced, active and enriched lifestyle. Their sponsorships must reflect a grassroots and community focus.

The Decathlon Foundation

Funding Provider: The Decathlon Foundation

Amount: Unspecified **Closes:** Always Open

Apply: https://www.fondationdecathlon.com/our-conviction/?lang=en

The Foundation's reason for existing: to enable willing teammates to be involved in a solidarity project and offer as many people as possible the chance to thrive thanks to sport and its values. By financing sustainable investment expenses (renovating a sports ground, converting a room, sports equipment, training for sports careers, etc.), their ambition is to make a big, real, and measurable impact.

Jean Cowan Fund

Funding Provider: Netball Victoria

Amount: Unspecified Closes: Always open

Apply: https://vic.netball.com.au/scholarships-funding

Offers funds for an individual to enable their participation in netball within Victoria. This includes assistance with the purchasing of netball uniforms, membership fees, netball equipment and other similar or relevant expenses.

Sports Excellence Scholarship Fund (SESF)

Funding Provider: Sports Excellence Scholarship Fund (SESF)

Amount: \$1,000 Closes: Always open

Apply: https://sesf.org.au/application/

Supports young athletes aged 10 to 18 years old, whose financial circumstances would preclude them from otherwise participating at representative level for their state or Australia. Eligible athletes will be competing in a National Championship for their state or country in 2024.

Coaching Grants

Funding Provider: Australian Masters Athletics (AMA)

Amount: Up to \$1,000 Closes: Always open

Apply: https://www.australianmastersathletics.org.au/about-ama trashed/resources/

Provides state and territory sporting associations with financial assistance towards coaching costs. AMA is the governing organisation for male and female athletes aged 30 and over who live in Australia.

Member state and territory associations can claim up to \$1000.00 from AMA each financial year, towards coaching costs. The member association must contribute at least 50% towards the coaching costs.

Sporting Club Program

Funding Provider: Bowens Amount: Unspecified Closes: Always open

Apply: https://www.bowens.com.au/community-contribution-and-sponsorships/

Supports local sports clubs across Australia, from grassroots community leagues to competitive teams, to create more opportunities for local-level sports.

Growing Cricket for Girls

Funding Provider: Cricket Australia and Commonwealth Bank

Amount: Unspecified Closes: Always open

Apply: https://www.commbank.com.au/about-us/opportunity-initiatives/opportunity-from-

community/cricket.html

Supports the nurturing and growth of girls' participation in cricket at community clubs across the country. Growing female participants sustainably and accelerating opportunities for women and girls in all areas and levels of the game.

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YOUTH

Homework Club Partnership Fund

Funding Provider: Australian Communities Foundation

Amount: Up to \$20,000 Closes: 20th October 2025

Apply: https://communityfoundation.org.au/grant-rounds/homework-club-partnership-fund/

Supports the development and sustainability of Learning Support Programs for disadvantaged children and young people, including those from migrant and refugee background.

The major objective of the Homework Club Partnership Fund is to help communities, schools and organisations establish or develop Learning Support Programs that can address needs in a community for additional educational support. The focus of the Homework Club Partnership Fund is areas of high need and limited capacity to meet that need with available resources.

Kids Tennis Grants

Funding Provider: Australian Tennis Foundation

Amount: \$10,000 to \$200,000 **Closes:** 24th October 2025

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Apply: https://www.tennis.com.au/about-tennis-australia/australian-tennis-foundation/what-we-

do/kids-tennis

This program offers targeted primary schools the opportunity to engage qualified tennis coaches to deliver extra-curricular tennis activities modelled on Tennis Australia's highly successful Hot Shots program. The program will teach participants valuable resilience skills to support the development of good mental health.

"As Local As" Grants Program

Funding Provider: Sport Star Academy & Sumo Energy

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Amount: \$250

Closes: 31st October 2025

Apply: https://sportstaracademy.com/news?id=sport-star-academy-sumo-energy-launch-as-local-as-

grants-program

Gives families across NSW, Victoria and Queensland the opportunity to win a full-term Sport Star Academy scholarship – helping more kids experience the joy, confidence and growth that sport brings.

Does your child live and breathe sport? Whether it's kicking goals in the backyard, racing friends at the park, or showing off their basketball skills in the driveway, SSA know that kids have an endless passion for play, movement and competition.

At Sport Star Academy, they believe every child deserves the chance to shine, no matter where they're from. That's why they are thrilled to announce the Sport Star "As Local As" Grants Program, proudly supported by friends at Sumo Energy.

Inger Rice Foundation Grants

Funding Provider: Inger Rice Foundation

Amount: Up to \$7,000 Closes: Always Open

Apply: https://www.ingerricefoundation.org/

Aims to promote the health, well-being and development of young children.

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.

Youth Access Initiative

Funding Provider: Victorian Government

Amount: Unspecified Closes: Always Open

Apply: https://www.vic.gov.au/youth-access-initiative

The Youth Access Initiative addresses the key aspects of improving awareness of access to and engagement with vocational education and training opportunities for these young people. The Youth Access Initiative is part of the Skills First Funding which includes supports for disadvantaged learners to engage with and succeed in their education and training. The Youth Access Initiative contributes to this

priority by further reducing the costs of subsidised training by providing a waiver on student tuition fees for eligible young people.

Amaroo Foundation Grants

Funding Provider: Amaroo Foundation

Amount: Up to \$25,000 Closes: Always Open

Apply: https://www.aetlimited.com.au/services/philanthropy/grant-applications/amaroo-foundation

Enables disadvantaged children to reach their potential in life through access and engagement in positive education and learning. The Foundation is currently supporting organisations whose programs and services are aligned with the strategy's key pillars and encourages applications from organisations.

Skills First Youth Access Initiative

Funding provider: Department of Education

Amount: Unspecified Closes: Always Open

Apply: https://www.vic.gov.au/youth-access-initiative

Supports at risk young people by providing access to vocational education and training opportunities, tuition fee waivers and pathways to employment.

Transition to Independent Living Allowance

Funding Provider: Department of Social Services

Amount: \$1,500 Closes: Always Open

Apply: https://www.dss.gov.au/our-responsibilities/families-and-children/benefits-payments/transition-

to-independent-living-allowance-tila

Young people aged between 15 to 25 years who are leaving or have already left formal out-of-home care may be <u>eligible</u> for this payment. It 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 driver's licence or any other items or services agreed between the young person and their case worker.

Youth Jobs PaTH

Funding Provider: Jobactive Amount: \$1,000 to \$10,000 Closes: Always Open

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Apply: https://jobsearch.gov.au/path#section-jobseekers

Youth Jobs PaTH is designed to support young people to gain the skills and work experience they need to get and keep a job. It also supports employers to host internship placements and provides them with incentives when they take on a young person.

Matana Foundation for Young People

Funding Provider: Matana Foundation

Amount: Up to \$10,000 Closes: Always Open

Apply: http://matanafoundation.org.au/faqs

Funding available for organisations that focus on youth programs that assist with school retention and increased education, employment skills as well as social and community connectedness.

Blackbird Foundation Funding

Funding Provider: Blackbird Foundation

Amount: Up to \$10,000 Closes: Always Open

Apply: https://www.blackbird.vc/foundation

Provides project-based funding to individuals and groups working to unleash creativity in young people. At this stage in their journey, the Foundation can provide up to \$10,000 in individual grants for projects based in Australia and Aotearoa.

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The Invergowrie Foundation Grants

Funding Provider: The Invergowrie Foundation

Amount: Unspecified **Closes:** None - Always Open

Apply: https://invergowrie.org.au/about/

Focuses on the advancement of education of girls and women within Victoria.

The Invergowrie Foundation awards grants that make a significant impact on the education of girls and women in Victoria, enabling access, promoting excellence, advancing leadership and supporting research.

Utility Relief Grant Scheme

Funding Provider: VIC Department of Health & Human Services

Amount: Up to \$1,300 Closes: None - Always Open

Apply: https://services.dffh.vic.gov.au/utility-relief-grant-scheme

Provides relief grants for paying overdue energy or water bills for low-income Victorians experiencing unexpected hardship.

The grant provides help to pay a mains electricity, gas or water bill that is overdue due to a temporary financial crisis.

You must hold at least one of the following concession cards:

- Pensioner Concession Card
- Health Care Card
- Veterans' Affairs Gold Card.

If you don't have one of these cards but are part of a low-income household, you may also be able to apply. Your retailer will ask you some questions to check if you are eligible before issuing a form.

Growing Cricket for Girls Fund - Victoria

Funding Provider: Cricket Australia

Amount: Unspecified **Closes:** None - Always Open

Apply: https://www.cricket.com.au/social-impact-and-sustainability/diversity-and-inclusion/women-and-girls

Aims to grow female participation sustainably and accelerate opportunities for women and girls in all areas and levels of the game.

To accelerate the growth of cricket for women and girls, Cricket Australia will build on their existing initiatives and are developing a new action plan to drive increased participation, engagement and representation of women and girls at all levels of Australian cricket.

Innovation Grants

Funding Provider: Norman Beischer Medical Research Foundation

Amount: Up to \$73,000

Closes: TBC***

Apply: https://nbmrf.org.au/grants/

Supports and promotes improvements in the reproductive health of women and in the health of their babies and infants.

It actively supports research into obstetrics and gynaecology and the prevention, control and treatment of gynaecological diseases and related problems. This is achieved by funding clinically based scientific research by leading and emerging researchers and by using this research to educate and inform medical practice in Australia and elsewhere.

Mary Jane Lewis Scholarship Foundation

Funding Provider: Mary Jane Lewis Scholarship Foundation

Amount: Up to \$30,000 Closes: 23rd December 2025

Apply: https://maryjanelewis.com.au/apply/

Provides equity and merit-based scholarships to young women who might not have otherwise received a university education due to limited financial resources.

The Mary Jane Lewis Scholarship Foundation offers scholarships to young women undertaking full-time study at university. It's designed to help girls who have overcome financial constraints and often a challenging home life to become excellent academic performers, with a genuine commitment to living life to its fullest.

The Queen's Fund Assistance

Funding Provider: The Queen's Fund

Amount: Up to \$400 Closes: None - Always Open

Apply: https://www.queensfund.org.au/apply

Supports single women and children in Victoria who are in distress, crisis or emergency situation. Since 1887, The Queen's Fund has been dedicated to supporting single women and children in Victoria who are facing distress, crisis, or emergency situations. Their mission is to provide them with the necessary assistance and resources to help them overcome their challenges.

The Fund can also assist women in need with the cost of education for their children and other costs including uniforms, medical equipment, glasses, school camps, after-school activities etc

Startmate Women Fellowship

Funding Provider: Startmate

Amount: Unspecified **Closes:** None - Always Open

Apply: https://www.startmate.com/program/women-fellowship

Offers a highly impactful IRL bootcamp to pivot your career into startups/tech.

With curated workshops, a squad of hand-picked peers, and access to a powerful community, you'll be supercharged to land your dream job quicker than you thought possible.

Since 2021, Startmate have helped 600+ women land their dream role through the Women Fellowship. Previously, this was a virtual program. Now they are taking it IRL, starting in Victoria.

If you are a Victorian-based woman curious about a career pivot or keen to land your dream job in startups/tech, this bootcamp is for you.

Opportunity Knox

Funding Provider: The Zahra Foundation

Amount: Up to \$500 Closes: Always Open

Apply: https://zahrafoundation.org.au/opportunity-knox

Supports women impacted by domestic abuse who are experiencing financial hardship or facing barriers associated with the costs of gaining and sustaining education or employment.

The Zahra Foundation recognises that financial abuse and disadvantage are some of the biggest barriers to women leaving and remaining free of abusive relationships.

Escaping Violence Payment Program

Funding Provider: UnitingCare

Amount: Up to \$5,000 Closes: Always Open

Apply: https://www.unitingvictas.org.au/services/family-services/family-violence-services/escaping-

violence-payment/

Offers financial assistance to help those escaping domestic violence to move forward and set up a home free of violence.

Are you, or someone you know, trying to leave or have left intimate partner violence? An intimate partner is someone you have been in a romantic relationship with such as husband, wife, partner, boyfriend, or girlfriend.

That violence can be:

- Physically, verbally or sexually abusive
- Emotionally, spiritually or psychologically abusive
- Economically abusive
- Threatening, coercive, or seeking to control or dominate the other person.

Play Like A Girl Scholarships

Funding Provider: Play Like A Girl Australia

Amount: \$1,495 Closes: Always Open

Apply: https://www.playlikeagirlaustralia.com/scholarship

Provides full scholarships for Play Like A Girl's 5 week leadership challenge course.

As part of their mission to empower and inspire girls to embrace life to the fullest, Play Like A Girl are thrilled to announce 10 scholarships available for their upcoming program. This is your chance to be part of something extraordinary!

If selected, you'll receive a FULLY FUNDED spot in the program, with the entire course fees covered (valued at \$1,495).

The Alice Anderson Fund

Funding Provider: LaunchVic Amount: \$50,000 - \$300,000

Closes: Always Open

Apply: https://launchvic.org/investment/the-alice-anderson-fund/#drawer01357

Co-invests in women-led startups with private sector investors.

The Alice Anderson Fund will provide between \$50,000 - \$300,000 to 40-60 women-led startups by 2024. The \$10 million angel sidecar fund is managed by LaunchVic.

Women Fellowship - Scholarships

Funding Provider: Startmate Amount: Up to \$3,000 Closes: Always Open

Apply: https://www.startmate.com/women-fellowship

Offers full and part scholarships to enrol in the Startmate Women Fellowship program for ambitious women looking to supercharge their career in startups. If you are curious about working in a startup, founding your own startup, or investing in startups, the Women Fellowship is for you!