



To the Narre Warren North community,

Please find below the November edition of my grants bulletin. This is a compilation of funding opportunities available within our electorate.

I would especially like to draw your attention to the Get Active Kids Voucher program which is a great opportunity to get kids involved in local sport.

As always, my office is here to assist you in any way possible. If you require any further information or support regarding the grants mentioned in the newsletter, please do not hesitate to reach out or check out our website – www.belindawilson.com.au.

Thank you for your ongoing support and engagement, and for all the work you do in our local community.

Warm regards,

Belinda Wilson MP
State Member for Narre Warren North

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ARTS & EVENTS

NEW

Documentary Producer Program

Funding Provider: Screen Australia

Amount: Up to \$750,000

Closes: 14th March 2024

Apply: <https://www.screenaustralia.gov.au/funding-and-support/documentary/production/producer-program>

Provides producers with the flexibility to drive projects both creatively and commercially, with Screen Australia funding as the foundation for growing and securing deals. The program is designed to support innovative, distinctive, and engaging documentaries with a strong creative vision in the context of today's evolving media and distribution landscape and the commercial realities of increasingly fragmented sources of finance.

NEW

Henkell Family Fund

Funding Provider: Henkell Family Fund

Amount: \$10,000

Closes: Always Open

Apply: <http://www.henkellfamilyfund.com.au/>

Supports the German-Australian community in Melbourne with a focus on the operatic and Lied art. The HENKELL FAMILY FUND, through the Australian Community Foundation, is driven by the interests and passions of the Henkell family.

NEW

Games Production Fund

Funding Provider: Screen Australia

Amount: Up to \$100,000

Closes: Always open

Apply: <https://www.screenaustralia.gov.au/funding-and-support/online/games/games-production-fund>

Supports the development of original, Australian independent games. The Games Production Fund will provide grants of up to \$100,000 to support the development of original, Australian independent games, with a budget of up to \$500,000 at the time of applying, to take the game to a significant milestone of its development.

NEW

Marten Bequest Travelling Scholarships

Funding Provider: Creative Australia

Amount: \$50,000

Closes: 6th February 2024

Apply: <https://creative.gov.au/investment-and-development/the-marten-bequest-scholarships/>

Offers talented young artists (aged 21-35 at the closing date) the chance to explore, study and develop their artistic gifts through travelling either interstate and/or overseas. In 2024, the scholarships will provide financial support for the disciplines of acting, instrumental music, painting, and poetry to help talented Australian artists achieve their dreams.

NEW

Elevate Mentorships

Funding Provider: Helpmann Academy

Amount: Up to \$3,000

Closes: 5th November 2023

Apply: <https://helpmannacademy.com.au/mentorships/>

Provides a valuable way to build on an emerging career by providing knowledge and experience beyond study, at a point of transition and exploration. Applicants are encouraged to consider online options for mentorships currently.

NEW

Emerging Gamemaker's Fund

Funding Provider: Screen Australia

Amount: Up to \$30,000

Closes: 30th November 2023

Apply: <https://www.screenaustralia.gov.au/funding-and-support/online/games/emerging-gamemakers-fund>

Supports the development of original, new projects from Australian independent game makers. It can fund the creation of a prototype or the completion of a micro-scale game. The fund is aimed at emerging creators, diverse voices, and/or established creators who are interested in creative and artistic experimentation.

NEW

Arts and Culture Grants – Major Grants

Funding Provider: Japan Foundation

Amount: Unspecified

Closes: 30th November 2023

Apply: <https://jpf.org.au/grants/arts-and-culture/>

Supports a range of arts and culture project such as performances, exhibitions, and festivals, to bring the work of Japanese artists, or Japanese arts and cultural content, to Australian audiences.

NEW

Victorian African Communities Homework Club Grant

Funding Provider: Victorian Government

Amount: Up to \$100,000

Closes: 24th November 2023

Apply: <https://www.schools.vic.gov.au/homework-club-grant-initiative>

The Department of Education is providing funding through the Homework Club Grant Initiative to community organisations working in partnership with school communities to deliver homework clubs, afterschool activities and parent engagement activities targeting young people of African heritage enrolled in Victorian schools, their parents, and carers.

The Homework Club Grant Initiative seeks to offer the opportunity for new, innovative approaches where community members and schools are working collaboratively to maximise the engagement of young people in education.

NEW

AACTA Reg Grundy Award

Funding Provider: Australian Academy of Cinema and Television Arts (AACTA)

Amount: \$50,000

Closes: 29th November 2023

Apply: <https://www.aacta.org/reg-grundy/reg-grundy/award-2023/>

Offers a prize to any Australian with a new idea for an unscripted TV show. The AACTA Reg Grundy Award returns for its fourth year, offering \$50k for the Australian with the best original idea for the nation's next favourite unscripted television show. With the largest prize of its kind in the world, the Australian Academy in partnership with Grundy Media, is set to enhance its dedication to fostering emerging talents in screen entertainment and expediting the development of innovative and fresh productions.

International Engagement Fund

Funding Provider: Australian Council for the Arts

Amount: \$5,000 - \$30,000

Closes: 6th February 2024

Apply: <https://australiacouncil.gov.au/investment-and-development/international-engagement-fund/>

Supports Australian artists and creative workers to undertake creative collaboration and development; cultural exchange and knowledge sharing; research, experimentation, scoping and prototyping activities; and reciprocal relationship-building activities such as residency exchanges, labs, and peer exchange models.

VicScreen Funding & Support

Funding Provider: VicScreen

Amount: Various

Closes: Various

Apply: <https://vicscreen.vic.gov.au/funding>

VicScreen invests in the development and production of film, television, online, virtual reality and digital games projects and offers incentives for production, post-production, animation, visual effects, and games to generate production activity and employment in Victoria. Skills development opportunities are also supported to continue to grow the screen industry.

Story Development

Funding Provider: Screen Australia

Amount: Up to \$100,000

Closes: Always Open

Apply: <https://www.screenaustralia.gov.au/funding-and-support/feature-films/development/premium>

Supports content creators to take advantage of existing and emerging opportunities to develop compelling drama stories.

Tony Manicaros Grant

Funding Provider: The National Ethnic and Multicultural Broadcasters' Council

Amount: Up to \$2,000

Closes: Always open

Apply: <https://www.nembc.org.au/projects/tony-manicaros-grant/>

Funds innovative projects which utilise, extend, or develop opportunities in ethnic community radio broadcasting.

BUSINESS AND INNOVATION

NEW

eBay's Circular Fashion Fund

Funding Provider: eBay

Amount: Up to \$100,000

Closes: 10th November 2023

Apply: <https://cloud.forbusiness.ebay.com.au/circular-fashion-fund>

Supports innovative start-ups & businesses that are helping change customer behaviour in the fashion industry. eBay's Circular Fashion Fund, supported by the Australian Fashion Council, is focused on scaling, and developing the circular economy by supporting innovation that extends the lifespan of clothing.

NEW

Spring Forward Grant

Funding Provider: Innovation Minds

Amount: \$50,000

Closes: 30th December 2023

Apply: <https://innovationminds.com/spring-forward-2023-grant/>

Provides technology and facilitation of innovation sprints to help these organisations tackle capacity, organisational, and community challenges. The Innovation Minds Outreach team continuously researches and identifies potential Enterprises, Academic Institutions, and NGOs who may become eligible for the grant and will set up screening calls with Grant administrators. If both parties see synergies to move forward, the next steps will be discussed and pursued.

NEW

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.

NEW

Made In Victoria – Manufacturing Growth Program

Funding Provider: Victorian Government

Amount: \$50,000 - \$250,000

Closes: 19th December 2023

Apply: <https://business.vic.gov.au/grants-and-programs/made-in-victoria-manufacturing-growth-program-round-2>

The Made in Victoria – Manufacturing Growth Program Round 2 will assist small and medium manufacturers with an existing presence in Victoria to:

- Expand their capacity and capability by implementing new manufacturing technologies as outlined in the Made in Victoria 2030 – Manufacturing Statement
- Improve productivity and competitiveness in local and global supply chains.
- Create new jobs, upskill, and reskill workers.
- Support Victoria's transition towards net zero emissions.

NEW**BRII Workplace Relations Usability Challenge Feasibility Grant**

Funding Provider: Australian Department of Employment and Workplace Relations

Amount: Up to \$100,000

Closes: 6th December 2023Apply: <https://business.gov.au/grants-and-programs/brii-workplace-relations-usability-challenge>

Provides funding to develop government solutions to support SMEs engaging with modern awards. The Workplace Relations Usability Challenge will provide \$2.5 million to drive the development and uptake of technology solutions to support engagement with modern awards over a two-stage process.

NEW**Made in Victoria – Energy Technologies Manufacturing Program**

Funding Provider: Business Victoria

Amount: \$100,000 - \$750,000

Closes: 13th December 2023

Apply: https://business.vic.gov.au/grants-and-programs/made-in-victoria-energy-technologies-manufacturing-program?utm_source=businessvictoria-offline-marketing&utm_medium=vanity-url-301ssredirect&utm_content=etmp&utm_campaign=grants-and-programs

Provides funding for Victorian manufacturers to manufacture products or components that support the state's transition to net zero emissions by 2045. This provides an opportunity for local manufacturers to supply manufactured inputs for renewable energy generation, transmission, storage, and transportation (including, but not limited to wind, hydro, batteries, hydrogen and solar). This will generate economic activity, secure well-paid jobs, increase exports, and reduce Victoria's reliance on volatile international supply chains.

NEW**mRNA Victoria Research Acceleration Fund – Round 3**

Funding Provider: Victorian Government

Amount: Up to \$500,000

Closes: 15th December 2023

Apply: <https://business.vic.gov.au/grants-and-programs/mrna-victoria-research-acceleration-fund-round-3>

Grants will support research teams to develop new RNA and mRNA-based therapeutics. Up to \$500,000 is available to startups to fast-track the translation of research and grants of up to \$100,000 are available for teams conducting early-stage research.

Victorian Business Growth Fund**Funding Provider:** Treasury and Finance**Amount:** \$5 million - \$100 Million**Closes:** Always Open**Apply:** <https://business.gov.au/grants-and-programs/victorian-business-growth-fund>

The Victorian Business Growth Fund supports Victorian SMEs ready to grow their business, but who can't access the funds or find the right partner to take the next step. Investment funding for Victorian SMEs wanting to grow their business.

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 provides unincorporated small businesses with a tax offset.

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 provide financial incentives to employers to hire and retain eligible participants in ongoing and sustainable positions.

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.

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.

Funding for employers of people registered with a Disability Employment Service provider.

Funding Provider: Australian Government

Amount: Up to \$1650

Closes: 31st January 2024

Apply: <https://www.casey.vic.gov.au/minor-capital-works-investment-program>

Provides funding for employers who hire job seekers registered with a Disability Employment Service provider to help people with disability gain skills and experience through employment.

Funding for VIC horticulturalists

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.

Digital Jobs for Manufacturing

Funding Provider: Business Victoria

Amount: Up to \$5000

Closes: 31st March 2024

Apply: <https://business.vic.gov.au/grants-and-programs/digital-jobs-for-manufacturing>

The Digital Jobs for Manufacturing Program offers grants of up to \$5000 to assist Victorian manufacturing businesses adapt to a digital operating environment. The program is open to businesses with a manufacturing presence in Victoria which are on a growth trajectory and are seeking to utilise their existing workforce to apply digital technology to their operations.

Ready for Growth

Funding Provider: Business Victoria

Amount: Unspecified

Closes: 1st June 2024

Apply: <https://business.vic.gov.au/grants-and-programs/ready-for-growth>

Ready for Growth is supporting Victorian businesses with high growth potential to access new markets and expand their business. The program is being delivered by Business Victoria with partner and world-leading financial services organisation, BDO Australia. The program will support 1000 businesses and is available until 1 June 2024. Participants will receive tailored advice and support from an expert growth facilitator matched to your business with relevant industry experience.

Wellbeing and Mental Health Support for Victorian Small Businesses

Funding Provider: Business Victoria

Amount: Unspecified

Closes: Always open

Apply: <https://business.vic.gov.au/grants-and-programs/wellbeing-and-mental-health-support-for-victorian-small-businesses>

Through this program, Victorians dealing with the challenges of running a small business can get the mental health support they need to navigate through the impacts of COVID-19. Current support under this program includes the Partners in Wellbeing Helpline. We also have information on wellbeing and mental health support for Victorian small businesses in languages other than English.

Workforce Skills Set Fund

Funding Provider: Victorian Government

Amount: Unspecified

Closes: Always open

Apply: <https://www.vic.gov.au/workforce-skills-set-fund>

The Workforce Skills Set Fund (WSSF) is a funding program that will invest in targeted training to meet emerging industry needs, as well as specialist and regional needs for employment outcomes. It will complement the Funded Skill Set List (FSSL) launched in February 2021. WSSF will inspire the testing of new models of developing and delivering skillsets.

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/Innovation-Connections/About-the-program>

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: Unspecified

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.

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.
- The next steps with a completed business action plan.

COMMUNITY

NEW

Volunteer Grants 2023-2024

Funding Provider: Australian Department of Social Services

Amount: Up to \$5,000

Closes: 24th November 2023

Apply: <https://www.grants.gov.au/Fo/Show?FoUuid=7b57b89b-ac76-4fc9-ac36-0cfa6523f0c3>

Supports the work of local community organisations by enabling the inclusion of vulnerable people and promoting awareness to increase participation in volunteering.

NEW

Settlement Engagement and Transition Support Program

Funding Provider: Australian Department of Home Affairs

Amount: Unspecified

Closes: 6th December 2023

Apply: <https://www.grants.gov.au/Go/Show?GoUuid=9b87d37a-2097-4a99-a4a4-fc434ccc6b72&keyword=GO6534>

Aims to equip and empower humanitarian entrants, other vulnerable migrants, and their communities, with the knowledge and tools to address their settlement needs to improve social and economic participation, and community connectedness. The program focuses on building independence, self-agency, self-efficacy, and personal well-being.

NEW

Eureka Benevolent Foundation Grant

Funding Provider: Eureka Benevolent Foundation

Amount: Up to \$2,500,000

Closes: 14th November 2023

Apply: <http://www.ebf.org.au/#grants>

Provides long-term strategic grants in the areas of early childhood, education and ending poverty with a view to building lasting partnerships to help achieve the Foundation's mission. The Foundation typically runs an open-grant round in one of their impact areas annually. In 2023, they will run an education grant round. The Foundation is looking to partner with an ambitious and innovative not-for-profit organisation who believes their work can systemically improve outcomes for school-age children experiencing disadvantage.

NEW

The Blum Foundation Grants

Funding Provider: The Blum Foundation

Amount: Up to \$5,000

Closes: 3rd November 2023

Apply: <https://www.eqt.com.au/philanthropy/grant-funding/folder-other-grants/blum-foundation>

Funds the promotion and encouragement of the Polish language and culture in Australia. The Foundation provides grants to organisations for organisational support and for special projects.

NEW

Edified Energiser Grants

Funding Provider: Edified

Amount: \$5,000

Closes: 15th November 2023

Apply: <https://www.edified.com.au/post/%20edified-energiser-grants-2023>

Awards grants to individuals or groups with a compelling plan to improve education for their community. The plan could be small - becoming a teacher in your community. It could be a grand plan - creating a new EdTech platform to bring free education to world. Or anything in between. What's important is that your plan is compelling and that Edified can see you have the vision and capability to make it happen.

NEW

Multicultural Storytime Grant Program

Funding Provider: VIC Department of Health

Amount: Up to \$250,000

Closes: 17th November 2023

Apply: <https://www.health.vic.gov.au/multicultural-storytime-grant-program>

Supports the delivery of Multicultural Storytime across Victoria. Targeted at families with children aged up to 5 years, Multicultural Storytime will use storytelling to improve health literacy, provide culturally appropriate information about health services to parents/families, and support Victorian kids' connection to their language and culture.

NEW

Community-Led Climate Solutions

Funding Provider: Foundation for Rural & Regional Renewal

Amount: Up to \$20,000

Closes: 30th November 2023

Apply: https://frrr.org.au/funding/disaster-resilience-and-climate-solutions/community-led-climate-solutions/?utm_source=eNews+%26+Networks+1&utm_campaign=7647c932d6-eNews+Oct+2023&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_-177fd6afa4-%5BLIST_EMAIL_ID%5D

Supports not-for-profit organisations across remote, rural, and regional Australia to drive local climate solutions that reduce emissions through education, engagement, and action.

Emissions can be reduced via:

- Clean energy
- Circular economies
- Decarbonisation
- Sustainable agriculture and food systems
- Biodiverse ecosystems
- Just transitions (ensuring that no one is left behind in the transition to low-carbon and environmentally sustainable economies and societies).

NEW

Social Impact Fellowship Scholarships

Funding Provider: Australian Scholarships Foundation

Amount: \$1,178

Closes: 19th November 2023

Apply: <https://scholarships.org.au/scholarship/social-impact-fellowship-scholarship-2/>

Provides financial support towards the cost of a three-month transformative program for changemakers seeking to drive greater social and environmental impact through their work and beyond. Social Impact Hub and the Australian Scholarships Foundation are offering five (5) scholarships to join the Social Impact Fellowship. The successful five candidates will each receive a 40% discount on the program cost.

NEW

Voiceless Grants Program

Funding Provider: Voiceless

Amount: Up to \$30,000

Closes: 30th November 2023

Apply: <https://voiceless.org.au/grantsprogram/>

Supports impactful initiatives in line with Voiceless' vision to create a just, equitable world where animals can flourish. The Voiceless Grants Program focuses exclusively on the root causes of animal exploitation and works to shift the anti-animal values, beliefs and assumptions that shape our political, social, legal and economic systems. Rather than working under existing attitudes, Voiceless supports transformative, disruptive stances, visionary projects, partners, and ideas, that will challenge the status-quo, ensure animals have fair and effective legal rights and realise our vision for a just and equitable where animals can flourish.

NEW

Commonground Grants Program

Funding Provider: Commonground

Amount: Unspecified

Closes: 31st December 2023

Apply: <https://www.common-ground.org.au/grants>

Offers fee reduction grants for accommodation and venue hire so that smaller NFPs can bring the team together. Commonground is a not-for-profit social enterprise that has been supporting social justice, environmental, disadvantaged and community groups since 1984.

NEW

Workforce Australia Local Jobs Program National Priority Fund

Funding Provider: Australian Department of Employment and Workplace Relations

Amount: \$220,000 - \$1,100,000

Closes: 30th November 2023

Apply: https://www.tenders.gov.au/Atm/Show/7e0f2f93-8b83-480f-a842-f8fe703a0e46?utm_medium=email&hsmi=278780843&hsenc=p2ANqtz--urZBrVawIBFWkGlt9C204uBHqWotk4hutUU_kPM51bDNJqv9JiNTu-GuAUB66QKNZMXQY3Ajd-gGxFNppu42eTUeXzgHlAy6ri7upZJPv1MjO0&utm_content=278780843&utm_source=hs_email

Aims to support the attraction, recruitment and retention of Australian job seekers and workers through addressing structural and other barriers to employment and/or complement job creation.

NEW IMPACT Philanthropy Program

Funding Provider: Perpetual

Amount: Up to \$120,000

Closes: 8th December 2023

Apply: <https://www.perpetual.com.au/wealth-management/not-for-profits/how-to-apply-for-funding-from-perpetuals-impact-philanthropy-application-program/>

Allows philanthropists and Not-for-Profits (NFPs) to **connect and** allows NFPs to demonstrate how they improve outcomes for the communities in which they **operate**. **Perpetual** distributes around \$120 million annually from the charitable trusts and endowments they manage. Many of these trusts and endowments are created with specific directions around the charities that will benefit. However, where trusts and endowments have a more flexible approach to grant making, Perpetual undertakes a rigorous application program that matches clients' wishes with suitable organisations.

NEW Men's Shed Funding Program

Funding Provider: VIC Department of Families, Fairness & Housing

Amount: Up to \$100,000

Closes: 8th December 2023

Apply: <https://www.perpetual.com.au/wealth-management/not-for-profits/how-to-apply-for-funding-from-perpetuals-impact-philanthropy-application-program/>

Provides grants for the construction of new men's sheds and the refurbishment, extension, or upgrade of existing men's sheds. Grants of up to \$100,000 are available for the construction of new men's sheds, including the conversion of a building that is not a men's shed into a men's shed. Also, the refurbishment, extension, or upgrade of existing men's sheds.

NEW Damien Greer Lawyers Community Grant Program

Funding Provider: Damien Greer Lawyers

Amount: \$2,500

Closes: 31st December 2024

Apply: <https://damiengreer.com.au/community-grant/>

Recognises and celebrates organisations that strive to make a positive impact within their local community. The Community Grant program aims to support organisations that work within their local community and encourage the following values:

- Helping the community in times of need
- Building community togetherness and sense of belonging
- Promoting positive health and wellbeing
- Supporting community services and group
- Nurturing the local environment.

NEW O'Brien Real Estate Foundation Grants

Funding Provider: Obrien Real Estate Foundation

Amount: \$5,000

Closes: 31st December 2023

Apply: <https://www.foundation.obrienrealestate.com.au/grant-application/>

Aims to fund specific projects in the areas of education, community sporting activities, community support groups, medical research and support groups, and innovative projects.

NEW

Sunbites Good Fuel Fund

Funding Provider: Sunbites

Amount: Up to \$20,000

Closes: 31st December 2023

Apply: <https://sunbites.com.au/GoodFuelFund>

Fuels local heroes and the charities they so tirelessly support. The Sunbites Good Fuel Fund is back for 2023! And this time around, it's all about sharing! Sunbites, the Good Fuel Co, are on a mission to fuel Australians with the goodness you need to be at your best, every day. That's why they created the Sunbites Good Fuel Fund, devoted to fuelling local heroes and the charities they so tirelessly support.

NEW

SilverChef Community Grants Program

Funding Provider: SilverChef

Amount: \$5,000

Closes: 31st December 2023

Apply: <https://www.silverchef.com.au/pages/community-grants>

Provides grants to eligible community groups who use hospitality to support disadvantaged or under-served communities. The SilverChef Community Grants Program is open to eligible Australian community groups that use hospitality or food services to help disadvantaged or under-served members of their local community.

NEW

Toy Library Grant Program

Funding Provider: Victorian Government

Amount: Up to \$10,000

Closes: 19th November 2023

Apply: <https://www.vic.gov.au/toy-library-grants-program>

The Victorian Government is investing \$1.9 million over 4 years to establish 8 new toy libraries and support existing toy libraries with grants of up to \$10,000. This initiative will make toy libraries accessible to more families across Victoria by supporting existing toy libraries to recover from the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic, help families to save money, and establish new toy libraries in areas that need it the most.

NEW

Local History Grants

Funding Provider: Victorian Government

Amount: Up to \$15,000

Closes: 11th December 2023

Apply: <https://prov.vic.gov.au/community/grants-and-awards/local-history-grants-program>

Encourages and fosters community activities that preserve, record, and share the local, social and community history of Victoria and Victorians. The Local History Grants Program is supported by the Victorian Government through the Community Support Fund.

Minor Capital Works Investment Program

Funding Provider: City of Casey

Amount: Up to \$75,000

Closes: 31st January 2024

Apply: <https://www.casey.vic.gov.au/minor-capital-works-investment-program>

Council's Minor Capital Works Investment program supports small to medium sized capital works projects that improve, extend, or upgrade a community facility that is Council owned, managed, or leased.

Multicultural Community Infrastructure Fund

Funding Provider: Victorian Government

Amount: \$400,000

Closes: 6th December 2023

Apply: <https://www.vic.gov.au/multicultural-community-infrastructure-fund>

Supports Victoria's multicultural community organisations to have safe and secure places to celebrate and share their history and traditions, build connections, and thrive. Up to \$400,000 in funding is available for community organisations to upgrade, renovate, extend, or build multicultural community infrastructure.

June Canavan Foundation Grant

Funding Provider: The June Canavan Foundation

Amount: Up to \$50,000

Closes: Always Open

Apply: <http://www.junecanavanfoundation.org.au/grant-applications/general-giving-guidelines/>

Supports projects that create sustainable outcomes and allow people to help themselves in accordance with the principle of 'a hand up, not a handout'.

Charity Pot Funding

Funding Provider: Lush

Amount: \$100 - \$10,000

Closes: Always Open

Apply: <https://weare.lush.com/lush-life/our-giving/charity-pot-funding-guidelines/>

Distributes grants to groups working in the areas of Animal Protection, Environment and Human Rights (incl. social justice, peace & equality). Charity Pot grants provide targeted funding to small, grassroots groups. Charity Pot grants are looking for organisations that take on issues that others don't, those that push the boundaries and challenge the mainstream opinion.

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. This program operates in all Australian states and territories.

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.

Community Grants

Funding Provider: The City of Casey

Amount: Between \$1,000 to \$5,000

Closes: March 2024

Apply: <https://www.casey.vic.gov.au/community-grants>

The City of Casey provides Community Grants of up to \$5,000 to assist local groups and organisations to provide projects, programs and events that benefit the local community.

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.

Bank of Melbourne Foundation – Multi Year Grants

Funding Provider: Bank of Melbourne

Amount: Up to \$50,000

Closes: Always Open

Apply: <http://info.bankofmelbourne.com.au/foundation/>

Supports organisations to create positive change through improving the lives of people who are experiencing physical, social, or economic disadvantage. Specifically, projects that improve the lives of children and young people experiencing disadvantage in Victoria.

Australia Scholarships Foundation

Funding Provider: Australian Scholarships Foundation

Amount: Unspecified

Closes: Always Open

Apply: <https://scholarships.org.au/>

Provides a wide range of annual scholarships to build capability for the not-for-profit sector to thrive.

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, not-for-profits, and community groups access grants, grow their supporter base, raise their profile, and generate donations.

Awesome Foundation Grants – Melbourne Chapter

Funding Provider: The Awesome Foundation

Amount: \$1000

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).

Nelson Alexander Charitable Funding

Funding Provider: Nelson Alexander Charitable Foundations

Amount: Unspecified

Closes: Always Open

Apply: <https://www.nelsonalexander.com.au/charitable-foundation-application/>

Considers applications for any project or program within their business footprint that demonstrates a benefit to the local community, with a particular focus on youth, education, and alleviating disadvantage.

Community Sponsorship and Grants Program

Funding Provider: AVID Property Group

Amount: Up to \$10,000

Closes: Always Open

Apply: <https://www.avid.com.au/community-sponsorship-and-grants-program-application-guidelines/>

Supports a range of not-for-profit, industry and community organisations across Australia. AVID's Community Sponsorship and Grants Program is divided into three categories: Build, Connect, Activate. The program offers a range of grants, each designed to help communities prosper, with a focus on promoting local growth and regional sustainability.

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/>

These grants support local communities, charities, and other worthwhile causes. If you are looking for funding for a local project or equipment for your organisation, consider applying and head into your local IGA.

Universal Charitable Fund

Funding Provider: Universal Charitable Fund (UCF)

Amount: Up to \$2,000

Closes: Always Open

Apply here: <http://ucf.org.au/apply/>

If you are a small, tax deductible, not-for-profit agency doing a terrific job in helping those in need here in Australia or overseas, then it is easy to apply for a small grant from Universal Charitable Fund (UCF).

Google Ad Grants

Funding Provider: Google

Amount: \$10,000 free advertising per month

Closes: Always Open

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

Available for not-for-profit organisations, Google is offering search advertising to the value of \$10,000 per month to help attract more donations and recruit volunteers.

The Andrews Foundation – Social Disadvantage, Need and Problem

Funding Provider: The Andrews Foundation

Amount: Not specified

Closes: Always Open

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

Seeks to assist people and organisations in communities who seek to help themselves and others by making a positive impact in ways that are sustainable in the future.

The Marian and E.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.

Harcourts Foundation Grant

Funding Provider: Harcourts Foundation

Amount: Unspecified

Closes: February 3rd, 2024

Apply: <https://harcourtsfoundation.org/apply/>

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

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.

Quick Response Grants

Funding Provider: City of Casey

Amount: Up to \$1,000

Closes: Always Open

Apply: <https://www.casey.vic.gov.au/quick-response-grants>

A program of small grants available to eligible organisations throughout the year to support the establishment and delivery of valuable services, programs, activities, and events to the Casey community.

Rapid Response Referendum Grants

Funding Provider: Australian Communities Foundation

Amount: \$2,500 - \$15,000

Closes: 31st December 2023

Apply: <https://www.communityfoundation.org.au/support/referendum-grants-round>

Supports organisations amplifying First Nations voices for a resounding Yes in the upcoming Referendum.

One-off grants of between \$2,500 and \$15,000 are available to organisations and community groups across Australia undertaking initiatives that elevate and amplify First Nations voices and leadership within the Yes campaign, and enable accessibility of information and resources about Voice, Treaty, Truth, and the upcoming Referendum process.

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. Best of all, because it's spare stock, the goods are free, you just pay a small shipping and handling cost.

Achievement Grants for Individuals

Funding Provider: City of Casey

Amount: Up to \$500

Closes: Always Open

Apply: <https://www.casey.vic.gov.au/achievement-grants-individuals>

Assistance to take part in state, national and international events or activities as competitors, exhibitors, umpires, and adjudicators. This includes for sporting events, performing arts, visual arts, music, science and technology and other competitive events or activities.

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.

DISABILITY

NEW Disability Self-Help Grants Program

Funding Provider: Victorian Government

Amount: Up to \$7,000

Closes: 14th December 2023

Apply: <https://providers.dffh.vic.gov.au/disability-self-help-grants-program>

Provides grants to Victorian disability self-help groups in need of financial assistance to meet some of their costs. Assisting with those costs helps self-help groups to provide social, emotional, and practical support to their members.

NEW Disability Representative Organisations (DRO)

Funding Provider: Department of Social Services

Amount: Varied

Closes: 27th November 2023

Apply: <https://www.grants.gov.au/Go/Show?GoUuid=96f27f27-7cc5-49cd-a73c-af614622f3bf>

The Disability Representative Organisations (DRO) grant opportunity will run from 2024–25 to 2025–26. The DRO grant opportunity will provide \$10.208 million (GST exclusive) over 2 years (\$5.104 million per year) to organisations to provide systemic advocacy for Australians with disability.

NEW 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.

NEW Information, Linkages and Capacity Building – Individual Capacity Building Grant

Funding Provider: National Disability Insurance Agency

Amount: Up to \$3,000,000

Closes: 30th November 2023

Apply: <https://www.grants.gov.au/Go/Show?GoUuid=4f518cd4-ae77-408e-b5c7-46880577ed37>

Provides funding to deliver one-off, time-limited activities to support systemic, nationwide access to peer support, mentoring, self-advocacy, and other skills building for people with disability, their family, and carers. The Australian Government is inviting organisations via an open, competitive grant process to apply to deliver services under the Individual Capacity Building (ICB) stream of the Information, Linkages and Capacity Building (ILC) Program from July 2024 to June 2027.

Employment Assistance Fund

Funding Provider: Job Access

Amount: Varies

Closes: Always open

Apply: <https://business.gov.au/grants-and-programs/employment-assistance-fund>

The Employment Assistant Fund provides workers with a disability with funding for workplace modifications, equipment, or services they need to perform their job.

Disability Worker COVID-19 Leave

Funding Provider: Department of Social Services

Amount: Varies

Closes: 30th January 2024

Apply: <https://www.grants.gov.au/Go/Show?GoUuid=9595745f-6382-41bb-9f59-a8ed5d4b7918>

The Australian Government is inviting applications from NDIS providers, via a demand driven process, to apply for reimbursement to cover payments to staff who deliver close personal support, are unable to attend work due to a COVID-19 infection and have insufficient or no sick leave. Registered and unregistered NDIS providers, including sole traders, can apply.

Rehabilitation Appliance Program

Funding Provider: Department of Veterans' Affairs

Amount: Undisclosed

Closes: Always Open

Apply: <https://www.dva.gov.au/health-and-treatment/care-home-or-aged-care/equipment-and-modifications-you-and-your-home>

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.deafchildreinaustralia.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.

EDUCATION AND RESEARCH

NEW

Strategic Policy Grants Program

Funding Provider: Australian Government Department of Defence

Amount: Up to \$500,000

Closes: 3rd November 2023

Apply: <https://www.grants.gov.au/Go/Show?GoUuid=021FEC72-E427-4BBE-BE3C-6855E6E0AD39>

Aims to deepen public debates relevant to Australia's strategic circumstances, strengthen Australia's defence partnerships, and inform Defence's strategic policy advice by supporting independent activities focused on Defence's purpose, mission, and priorities.

NEW

World Cancer Research Fund International Grant Program

Funding Provider: World Cancer Research Fund International & Cancer Australia

Amount: Up to \$530,000

Closes: 6th November 2023

Apply: <https://www.wcrf.org/research-we-fund/grant-programmes/apply-for-a-research-grant>

Supports research that focuses on cancer prevention and survival, looking at mechanisms or host factors.

NEW

Dafydd Lewis Trust Scholarship

Funding Provider: Dafydd Lewis Trust

Amount: Up to \$30,000

Closes: 23rd December 2023

Apply: <https://dafyddlewis.com.au/apply-now/>

Issues equity and merit-based scholarship available to young men who might not have otherwise received a university education due to the limited financial resources of their parents. Multiple scholarships are awarded every year for full-time degrees in most courses at any university in Victoria.

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.

Sporting Schools

Funding Provider: Australian Sports Commission

Amount: Between \$1,000 and \$3,600

Closes: Always Open

Apply: https://www.sportaus.gov.au/schools/schools/funding#secondary_school_grant

Support the delivery of sport-based programs to help students build the confidence and capability to be active for life.

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>

Government schools can apply for assistance to conduct regular maintenance of their school grounds, including the assessment, management, replacement, or removal of high-risk trees.

CCCF 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/cccf-special-circs>

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.

ENVIRONMENT, CONSERVATION AND SUSTAINABILITY

NEW Support Plantation Establishment 2023-24

Funding Provider: Australian Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry

Amount: Unspecified

Closes: 24th January 2024

Apply: <https://www.grants.gov.au/Go/Show?GoUuid=ce740da9-68ef-4c4d-a8c7-cedef5098b64>

Invites organisations via a Demand Driven (eligibility-based) process to apply to deliver services under the Support Plantation Establishment 2023–24 program.

NEW Country Road Climate Fund

Funding Provider: Country Road

Amount: Up to \$200,000

Closes: 30th November 2023

Apply: <https://www.countryroad.com.au/climatefund/>

Provides grant funding to drive climate solutions in the fashion industry. The Country Road Climate Fund is a climate impact grants program aimed at accelerating and incubating positive climate projects, programs, initiatives, products, or organisations across the Australian fashion industry. The Country Road Climate Fund is split into the Incubator Program and the Accelerator Program. Projects can apply to either, but not both, of these programs.

NEW Australian Wildlife Society Awards

Funding Provider: Australian Wildlife Society

Amount: Up to \$5,000

Closes: 31st December 2024

Apply: <https://www.aws.org.au/community/>

Acknowledges and rewards individuals or conservation groups that work tirelessly to save Australia's native wildlife and precious habitats and encourages them to continue their excellent work on behalf of the community.

NEW Macpac Fund for Good

Funding Provider: Macpac

Amount: Up to \$10,000

Closes: 31st December 2023

Apply: <https://www.macpac.co.nz/fund-for-good.html>

Helps those committed to creating long-term change for the good of people and the planet. *Please note all cash grants have been allocated for the 2022-23 financial year. The Macpac Fund for Good is accepting applications only for Gear Grants for the final quarter of this financial year. * If you are part of a not-for-profit organisation working on environmental and social causes related to the outdoors, then you may be eligible for a Macpac Fund for Good grant.

NEW

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.

NEW

BushBank Public Land Grants

Funding Provider: VIC Department of Energy, Environment and Climate Action

Amount: Unspecified

Closes: 4th December 2023

Apply: <https://www.environment.vic.gov.au/grants/bushbank-public-land-grants-2023>

Addresses climate change and creates wildlife habitat as it restores more than 20,000 hectares of land across Victoria. The objectives of BushBank are to:

- Improve habitat for threatened species and biodiversity
- Increase carbon sequestration and storage
- Capitalise on the increased levels of interest and investment in biodiverse carbon projects
- Support First Peoples' self-determination.

Birdlife Australia – Student Research and Travel Grants

Funding Provider: Birdlife Australia

Amount: \$500 - \$5,000

Closes: 31st March 2024

Apply: <https://birdlife.org.au/awards/student-research-and-travel-grant/>

Supports postgraduate fieldwork and travel to scientific conferences to help Australian birds thrive. Applications are open to Honours, master's, and PhD students. Students are only eligible for funding toward current research being undertaken at an Australian tertiary institution or for travel to a conference to present current original research.

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.

HEALTH, WELLBEING & AGED CARE

NEW

MRFF – Dementia, Ageing and Aged Care Mission: Dementia, Ageing and Aged Care Grant

Funding Provider: National Health & Medical Research Council

Amount: Unspecified

Closes: 15th November 2023

Apply: <https://www.nhmrc.gov.au/funding/find-funding/mrff-2023-dementia-ageing-and-aged-care-grant-opportunity-go6225>

Aims to support older people to maintain their health and quality of life as they age, live independently for longer and access quality care when they need it.

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.

Fit for Life Awards

Funding Provider: Fit for Life Foundation

Amount: \$150,000

Closes: 15th February 2024

Apply: <https://www.fitforlife.foundation/awards>

Awards grants of EUR 100,00 each to 3 non-profit organisations or social enterprises worldwide that are pioneering projects to promote lifelong fitness and health. The Foundation is looking for innovative programs that display a clear vision, are focused on beneficiaries' needs, and are both sustainable and scalable. Their selection process includes 3 stages of due diligence that review candidates' operational excellence and evidence of impact.

Aged Care Worker COVID-19 Leave Payment Grants

Funding Provider: Department of Health and Aged Care

Amount: \$150,000

Closes: 31st March 2024

Apply: https://www.health.gov.au/our-work/aged-care-worker-covid-19-leave-payment-grants?utm_source=CommunityConnective&utm_campaign=84405f8072-

[EMAIL_CAMPAIGN_2023_04_03_09_06&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_bb54714f9e-84405f8072-%5BLIST_EMAIL_ID%5D](https://www.health.gov.au/our-work/aged-care-worker-covid-19-leave-payment-grants?utm_source=CommunityConnective&utm_campaign=84405f8072-EMAIL_CAMPAIGN_2023_04_03_09_06&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_bb54714f9e-84405f8072-%5BLIST_EMAIL_ID%5D)

Provides support for permanent or casual aged care workers who can't earn an income because they have tested positive for COVID-19. The government is committed to protecting older Australians in aged care, who are most at risk of severe illness from COVID-19.

HOUSING & HOMELESSNESS

NEW

Safe Places Inclusion Round

Funding Provider: Department of Social Services

Amount: Varied

Closes: 14th November 2023

Apply: <https://www.grants.gov.au/Go/Show?GoUuid=bbb481e9-a57e-4f9d-96b2-4e0bc5f2266d>

The Australian Government invites applicants to apply for the Safe Places Inclusion Round from September to November 2023. The Inclusion Round provides capital works grants for the renovation, building or purchase of new or expanded emergency accommodation for women and children experiencing family and domestic violence (FDV).

NEW

Grants to End Homelessness

Funding Provider: Mercy Foundation

Amount: Up to \$60,000

Closes: 27th November 2023

Apply: <https://www.mercyfoundation.com.au/social-justice-grants/grants-to-end-homelessness/>

Provides grants for seeding initiatives, services, projects, advocacy, and research that will contribute to the goal of ending homelessness for women, by supporting housing first and permanent supportive housing solutions. Projects that focus on ending and preventing women's homelessness especially chronic homelessness are priority areas for the program. The Foundation prioritises projects that provide lasting solutions to people's homelessness.

Street Smart

Funding Provider: StreetSmart Australia

Amount: \$500 - \$15,000

Closes: Always Open

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

Supports applications with an outcome focused approach on helping people exit homelessness and maintain housing. Applications for innovative project ideas as well as more mundane priority needs (or wish list items) are considered.

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-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.

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-service>

Offers support for people 18+ who have recently experienced family violence, have a changed living situation and are experiencing financial stress.

INDIGENOUS AUSTRALIANS

NEW

Indigenous Australians' Health Program: Closing the Gap Major Capital Works Program

Funding Provider: Indigenous Business Australia

Amount: Varied

Closes: 7th November 2023

Apply: <https://www.grants.gov.au/Go/Show?GoUuid=225fec4a-acc6-48bf-8759-a64e2ffb8682>

Through this grant opportunity, the Australian Government is providing funding of up to \$70 million (GST exclusive) over 2 years from 2023-24 to 2024-25 for major capital works projects to be undertaken from 2023-24 to 2025-26.

NEW

Youpla Group Funeral Benefits Program

Funding Provider: Department of the Treasury

Amount: Up to \$20,000

Closes: 1st December 2023

Apply: <https://www.grants.gov.au/Go/Show?GoUuid=40024848-3761-4dc6-98e9-805aad6e34b7>

The program addresses the urgent need to allow families with deceased loved ones who were insured under a Youpla Group funeral expenses policy to mourn and conduct Sorry Business with the dignity that had been intended. The program is consistent with the Australian Government's ongoing commitment to improve outcomes for First Nations people.

NEW

Elevate: First Nations Storytelling (Literature)

Funding Provider: Creative Australia

Amount: Up to \$10,000

Closes: 14th November 2023

Apply: <https://creative.gov.au/investment-and-development/first-nations-arts-and-culture/elevate-first-nations-storytelling/>

Supports and develops career pathways for First Nations writers, poets, editors, illustrators, journalists, arts workers, and groups in the literature sector.

NEW

Agency Collaborates

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 grant 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. Where an unmet need is identified, the NIAA may directly approach multiple suitable organisations to invite them to apply for funding to deliver an activity/service to address this need.



Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Seeding Grant Scheme

Funding Provider: Lowitja Institute

Amount: Up to \$50,000

Closes: 19th November 2023

Apply: <https://www.lowitja.org.au/page/research/seeding-grants-open/seeding-grants>

Aims to support Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community-controlled organisations and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander early career researchers to lead community driven research. The purpose of the Seeding Grant Scheme is to support Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities to grow small ideas, transform, and action research from community priorities into meaningful research projects.

Loans for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander start-ups

Funding Provider: Indigenous Business Australia

Amount: Up to \$100,000

Closes: Always Open

Apply: <https://business.gov.au/grants-and-programs/business-development-and-assistance-program>

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

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.

Seeding Strengths Grants - Rapid Response

Funding Provider: Foundation for Young Australians

Amount: \$2,000 - \$10,000

Closes: 31st December 2023

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.

CAGES Foundation – Strategic Partnerships

Funding Provider: CAGES Foundation

Amount: Unspecified

Closes: Always Open

Apply: <https://cagesfoundation.org/our-focus/#strategicCriteria>

Supports organisations that work with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children (pre-natal to 5), and who are located on the east coast and have a national reach.

National Endowment for Indigenous Visual Arts (NEIVA) Funding

Funding Provider: National Endowment for Indigenous Visual Arts (NEIVA)

Amount: Unspecified

Closes: Always Open

Apply: <https://neiva.org.au/>

Enables commercial gallerists and the art market to meaningfully contribute to the social, cultural, and economic empowerment of Indigenous Australians.

Indigenous Advancement Strategy - Tailored Assistance Employment Grant

Funding Provider: National Indigenous Australians Agency

Amount: Unspecified

Closes: Always Open

Apply: <https://www.niaa.gov.au/indigenous-affairs/employment/tailored-assistance-employment-grants>

Aims to increase Indigenous employment and retention by funding tailored activities that respond flexibly to local employment conditions.

KWT Grants

Funding provider: Koondée-Woonga-gat Toor-rong Fund

Amount: Up to \$10,000

Closes: Always Open

Apply: <https://www.kwtfund.org.au/grants>

Supports First Nations peoples and organisations that have resided or have been based in Victoria for twelve months or more, by providing seed or start-up funding for innovative projects and proposals that benefit individuals and communities, respond to challenges or support opportunities for change-making.

LGBTQIA+

NEW

LGBTIQ+ Organisational Development Grants 2023

Funding Provider: Victorian Government

Amount: Up to \$50,000

Closes: Ongoing

Apply: <https://www.vic.gov.au/lgbtiq-organisational-development-grants>

The LGBTQIA+ Organisational Development Grants 2023 strengthen Victoria's LGBTQIA+ communities by supporting LGBTQIA+ organisations and groups to grow their crucial work.

NEW

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 LGBTQIA+ community events. Black Rainbow's microgrants are available to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander LGBTQIA+SB community members. These micro-grants are to the value of \$300 and include \$200 to assist with hosting Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander LGBTQIA+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.

NEW

Small Grants Program

Funding Provider: Pride Foundation Australia

Amount: Up to \$750

Closes: Ongoing

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

Invests in projects that benefit either LGBTQIA+ individuals or community or strengthen LGBTQIA+ organisational capacity. 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.

NEW

Pride Events and Festivals Fund 2023-2024

Funding Provider: Creative Australia

Amount: Up to \$25,000

Closes: 15th November 2023

Apply: <https://www.vic.gov.au/pride-events-and-festivals-fund>

The Pride Events and Festivals Fund (PEFF) has run annually since 2018-2019. PEFF supports events and festivals for LGBTQIA+ communities and all Victorians to connect, celebrate diversity, build resilience, and promote inclusion. PEFF is one of many ways the Victorian Government supports and celebrates LGBTQIA+ communities across the state. The program funds activities across Victoria that:

- Promote LGBTQIA+ arts and culture.
- Create opportunities for LGBTQIA+ communities to connect with each other.
- Celebrate the diversity of LGBTQIA+ communities.
- Raise awareness to combat LGBTQIA+ discrimination.
- Improve the sustainability of LGBTQIA+ events.

Pride Foundation: Supporting LGBTQIA+ Refugees and People Seeking Asylum

Funding Provider: Pride Foundation Australia

Amount: Up to \$20,000

Closes: 17th November 2023

Apply: <https://communityfoundation.org.au/support/pride-foundation-australia-lgbtqia-refugees-people-seeking-asylum/>

Pride Foundation Australia (PFA) has announced their second large grant round to a total value of \$20,000 with a focus on supporting sexuality, sex, and gender diverse (LGBTQIA+) refugees and people seeking asylum.

SPORT AND RECREATION

NEW

Local Sports Infrastructure Fund

Funding Provider: Victorian Government

Amount: Various

Closes: 13th December 2023

Apply: <https://sport.vic.gov.au/grants-and-funding/our-grants/local-sports-infrastructure-fund>

The 2023-24 Local Sports Infrastructure Fund is a state-wide competitive Victorian Government program that provides a range of grant opportunities across three funding streams - community facilities, community sports lighting and planning. It should be noted that only Local Government Authorities are eligible to apply directly to the Fund.

NEW

Play for Purpose – The Sports and Charity Raffle

Funding Provider: Australian Institute of Sport

Amount: Various

Closes: 14th December 2023

Apply: https://www.sportaus.gov.au/grants_and_funding/play_for_purpose

This world-first fundraising raffle is free for clubs to participate in and gives clubs access to large prize pools and powerful e-commerce technology, with no financial risk.

NEW

Get Active Kids Vouchers

Funding Provider: Victorian Government

Amount: Up to \$200

Closes: Until allocation exhausted

Apply: <https://www.getactive.vic.gov.au/vouchers/apply-for-vouchers/>

Apply for a voucher and present it to your activity provider when you register or pay for your child's membership and any related uniform equipment. They will reduce the fees up to the value of \$200! Applications will close when the allocation has been exhausted. Vouchers expire 30 April 2024, so you can use your voucher for a summer sport, winter sport or term-based activity.

NEW

Australian Turf Club Foundation Grant

Funding Provider: Australian Turf Club Foundation

Amount: Up to \$100,000

Closes: 3rd November 2023

Apply: <https://www.australianturfclub.com.au/foundation/grants/>

Offers project-related grants to registered charities and racing industry bodies. Most grants are made in response to applications and/or an expression-of-interest (EOI), although grants may be made in response to a need or opportunity proactively identified by the Foundation.

NEW

Good Sports Awards

Funding Provider: Good Sports

Amount: Up to \$2,000

Closes: 12th November 2023

Apply: <https://goodsports.com.au/awards/>

Recognises the strong clubs and dedicated people who are passionate about their community, their members and making their club the very best it can be. The Good Sports Awards are the ultimate trophy for any Good Sports club, paying tribute to the heart and soul of community sporting clubs – no matter their size or sporting code.

NEW

National Schools Grants Program

Funding Provider: AFL Schools

Amount: Unspecified

Closes: 17th November 2023

Apply: <https://www.play.afl/schools/grants/>

Enables schools to apply for funding to support and encourage participation in AFL football. AFL Schools are excited to launch a National Schools Grants Program for the first time in 2023!

Stronger Communities Program

Funding Provider: Netball Victoria

Amount: Up to \$20,000

Closes: Always open

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

Funds small capital projects of up to \$20,000 to improve community participation, vibrancy, and viability through new or upgraded facilities and equipment.

Rebel Sports Sponsorship

Funding Provider: Rebel Sport

Amount: Unspecified

Closes: Always open

Apply: <https://www.rebelsport.com.au/sponsorship/sponsorship-home.html?csortb1=publishDate&csortd1=2>

Offers sponsorship support for events that encourage Australians to live a healthy and active lifestyle through the sports they are most passionate about.

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.

Rebel Sports Sponsorship

Funding Provider: Rebel Sport

Amount: Unspecified

Closes: Always open

Apply: <https://www.rebelsport.com.au/sponsorship/sponsorship-home.html?csortb1=publishDate&csortd1=2>

Offers sponsorship support for events that encourage Australians to live a healthy and active lifestyle through the sports they are most passionate about.

Jean Cowan Bequest

Funding Provider: Netball Victoria

Amount: Unspecified

Closes: Always open

Apply: <https://vic.netball.com.au/scholarships>

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.

Change Our Game Research Grants

Funding Provider: Victorian Government

Amount: Up to \$25,000

Closes: Always open

Apply: <https://sport.vic.gov.au/grants-and-funding/our-grants/change-our-game-research-grants-program>

Supports Victorian university researchers to undertake research relating to women and girls in sport and active recreation. It provides grants of up to \$25,000 for Victorian researchers to identify tangible, evidence-based solutions to address barriers for women and girls in sport and active recreation in Victoria. The program also aims to support the career development of early career researchers with an interest in gender equality and sport.

YOUTH

NEW

Young Technologists Scholarship

Funding Provider: Westpac Scholars Trust

Amount: Up to \$25,000

Closes: 15th January 2024

Apply: <https://scholars.westpac.com.au/scholarships/young-technologists-scholarship>

Supports talented and inquisitive high school graduates looking to strengthen their passion and expertise in technology to innovate and create new opportunities and inspire good in the world of STEM.

Youth Aquatic Accreditation Program

Funding Provider: Victorian Government

Amount: Up to \$325

Closes: 31st May 2024

Apply: <https://sport.vic.gov.au/grants-and-funding/our-grants/youth-aquatic-accreditation-program>

Provides financial assistance to young people aged 16 to 25 years to undertake accreditation to ensure they are qualified to teach swimming and water safety.

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/philanthropic-services/for-charities/amaroo-foundation>

Enables disadvantaged children to reach their potential in life through access and engagement in positive education and learning.

Skills First Youth Access Initiative

Funding provider: Department of Education

Amount: Unspecified

Closes: Always Open

Apply: <https://www.vic.gov.au/skills-first-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 eligible 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

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.

WOMEN

NEW LiftHER Female Founders Grant Program

Funding Provider: Lift Women

Amount: Unspecified

Closes: Unspecified

Apply: <https://liftwomen.typeform.com/to/GsD4CGCR?typeform-source=l.facebook.com>

Empowers and propels early-stage female entrepreneurs in five APAC markets, including Australia, Indonesia, Vietnam, the Philippines, and Hong Kong.

NEW Startup Program for Women

Funding Provider: Press Play Ventures

Amount: Up to \$4,700

Closes: 15th November 2023

Apply: https://pressplay.ventures/?mc_cid=fc59e8775e&mc_eid=ef73076d5c

Offers scholarships to Victorian women wanting to become a new startup founder in the technology industry. Join Press Play's start-up program, designed to take you from employee to entrepreneur in 12 weeks. There are 100 scholarship spots up for grabs worth \$4,700.

NEW Women's Leadership Scholarships

Funding Provider: Women Leadership Australia

Amount: Up to \$5,000

Closes: 24th November 2023

Apply: <https://www.wla.edu.au/industry/grants-hub>

Offers scholarships to help women in select industries participate in world-class leadership courses. All women currently employed in Australia are invited to apply for a limited pool of scholarship funding that has been provisioned for participation in a range of leadership courses. The grants are allocated with the specific intent of providing powerful and effective development opportunities for women right across the country.

NEW Mary Jane Lewis Scholarship Foundation

Funding Provider: Mary Jane Lewis Scholarship Foundation

Amount: Up to \$30,000

Closes: 23rd December 2023

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

Provides scholarships for up to three years to young women pursuing undergraduate degrees at Australian universities. The Mary Jane Lewis Scholarship is equity and merit based. All applicants are subject to a personal and parental income test. Successful applicants are awarded a scholarship based on academic achievements as well as financial needs.

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.

Institute of Community Directors Scholarships

Funding Provider: Institute of Community Directors

Amount: \$1,000

Closes: Always open

Apply: <https://communitydirectors.com.au/training/diploma-scholarships-overview>

Offers part-scholarships to not-for-profit leaders to complete the acclaimed ICDA Diploma of Governance.

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!