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INDI GRANTS



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Welcome to *Indi Grants*. It's the first of regular newsletters about grant opportunities available to **Indi** communities and organisations.

These grants can help your group to carry on work, keep volunteers empowered, and maintain and extend the crucial role you play in contributing to community well-being and vibrancy.

Bushfire support and recovery initiatives are key features of many current opportunities yet grants in other fields are also available.

I'm keen to make sure this newsletter reaches all people and organisations that can benefit from grants. You can sign up to my mailing list [here](#).

You can also direct any questions or information about grants to helen.haines.mp@aph.gov.au, or call my electorate office T 03 5721 7077 Wangaratta or T 02 6024 6284 Wodonga.

Letter of support

I can write a letter of support for your grant application (usually on quick turnaround). Please contact the office to request this.

As I travel around Indi, I'm always so impressed with the energy, innovation and tireless work of our volunteers. This has been exemplified in bushfire-affected communities in recent weeks. I hope this newsletter will help save you time searching for available grants. I would welcome any feedback and ideas for improve it. You can email me at helen.haines.mp@aph.gov.au.

Thank you for all the work that you do. I wish you every success with your grant seeking.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Helen'.

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GRANT OPPORTUNITIES

Volunteer Grant

To support volunteers with things such as purchasing small equipment, travel reimbursement and volunteer training. Community groups which have an ABN and a volunteer workforce of more than 40 per cent are eligible. Grants range from \$1000 to \$5000 and [eligibility criteria](#) apply. An expression of interest for this grant needs to be submitted via my website [here](#).

Closes: February 17, 2020

Communities Combatting Pest and Weed Impacts During Drought

(Biosecurity Management of Pests and Weeds – Round 2)

Available to local government.

- [Information](#)
- Closes: February 5, 2020

Safe Places Emergency Accommodation Program

To provide new or expanded emergency and crisis accommodation for women and children experiencing domestic and family violence.

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Corporate, local government and incorporated organisations can apply. Partnership and other contributions are encouraged.

- [Information](#)
- Closes: February 14, 2020

Building Excellence in Support and Training (BEST).

Available to veteran and defence community support organisations.

- [Information](#)
- Closes: February 17, 2020

Veteran and Community Grants

To maintain and improve Australian veterans' independence and quality of life. Available to unincorporated and incorporated organisations, companies and co-operatives.

- [Information](#)
- Closes: February 27, 2020

STEM Engagement

To deliver STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths)-related activities and events to Australians under 18.

- [Information](#)
- Closes: February 19, 2020

Foundation for Rural and Regional Renewal: Strengthening Rural Communities

To support broad community needs in rural and regional Australia. Preference given to not-for-profit organisations of communities with fewer than 15,000 people.

- [Information](#)
- Larger leverage stream: closes February 4, 2020

- Small and vital stream: closes March 24, 2020

Young Achiever Scheme, City of Wodonga

To recognise and support young people under 25 years who display an outstanding commitment to achievement in their chosen endeavour.

- [Information](#)
- Closes: May 31, 2020

Helen McPherson Smith Trust One-off Grants

Strengthen rural and regional Victoria. Only funds charitable organisations.

- [Information](#)
- Closes: February 27, 2020

Small Grants Program, Fisheries Victoria

To benefit public recreational fishing by funding small recreational fishing projects.

- [Information](#)
- Ongoing

RACV Community Donations Program

To support social inclusion, social cohesion and increasing social capital. Maximum \$5000 available.

- [Information](#)
- Ongoing

The Ross Trust Education Equity and Biodiversity Conservation Smart Grants

To achieve positive differences in both areas with a maximum \$40,000 available per year for up to three years.

- [Information](#)
- Ongoing



Flying Start Program: Jetstart

Enhance the lives of people in local communities. Includes a grant, travel and promotion of projects.

- [Information](#)
- Closes: March 31, 2020

Regional Arts Fund – Quick Response Grants, Fellowship Program and Community Grants

To support sustainable cultural development in regional and remote Australia.

- [Information](#)
- Community Grants and Fellowship Grants close: March 2, 2020
- Quick Response Grants close: June 30, 2020, or when funds are expended

BUSHFIRE RECOVERY

National Bushfire Recovery Agency

You can find extensive information and links to recovery support and payments on this Federal Government [website](#).

Red Cross and Salvation Army

Supporting people affected by fires. Red Cross can provide emergency grants of up to \$5000 for people whose primary place of residence has been destroyed or rendered uninhabitable by fire since July 1, 2019 to 28 February 2020. [Information](#)

Salvation Army can provide a range of services and assistance measures to help people who have been affected by bushfires, including financial assistance, emotional well-being support and other services, referrals and advice. [Information](#)

State Government Assistance

The Victorian Government provides assistance payments and re-establishment payments for people affected by bushfire. [Information](#)

Farmers

Assistance for farmers includes grants, financial counselling and support. [Information](#)

Banks

NAB National Australia Bank can provide a \$2000 emergency relief and recovery grant to NAB business and agribusiness customers. [Information](#)

Westpac can provide a disaster relief package of \$2000 for customers suffering hardship as a result of bushfire. [Information](#)

Commonwealth Bank can provide emergency assistance grants for community and volunteer firefighters, as well as Bushfire Recovery Grants for longer term recovery of community groups, schools, sporting clubs and fire services. [Information](#)

ANZ includes support for volunteer firefighters, local community services and home loan customers who have lost their homes and are suffering ongoing financial hardship. [Information](#)

Bank First includes interest free loans of up to \$5000 for customers as well as a Community Fund to help schools and pre-schools. [Information](#)

Student support

Monash University can provide grants of up to \$2000 to support students. [Information](#)

Australian National University includes grants of up to \$2000 to support students. [Information](#)

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