



INDI GRANTS

Edition **October 2020**

Welcome to another bumper edition of *Indi Grants*, a regular newsletter about grant opportunities available to Indi communities.

During August and September, I ran four grants workshops. The workshops were tremendously successful with over 880 registrants – this community involvement demonstrates how important grants are for many groups in Indi

If you weren't able to attend – the good news is that there is a full suite of information on my [website](#); including a recording of a grants workshop, downloadable information sheets and informative 'how-to' videos, that will step you through the process of a successful grant application.

A new, exciting feature of my website is the [Indi Funding Finder](#) – where you can search for grants from many sources – government and philanthropic groups – and also register to receive email alerts about grants that might suit your project.

My aim is to ensure that everyone in Indi has the most-up-to-date, comprehensive information about the widest range of funding opportunities, and the confidence and skills to successfully apply for grants.

Need a letter of support?

I am always pleased to learn of well-considered projects in Indi and provide a letter of support. You can find an [online form](#) on my website to make a request.

Please allow plenty of time – approximately 10 working days - to ensure that I can consider your project and support your project.

Best wishes

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

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BUSHFIRE RECOVERY

Bushfire Recovery Grants for Community Facilities

The Bushfire Recovery Grants for Community Facilities (up to \$50,000) will support community groups who want help to build, upgrade or repair important local facilities that everyone can use.

Examples of projects that could be funded through the community facilities grants include upgrades to kitchens or bathrooms at local halls, repairs to fix damage, or new facilities such as playgrounds, community gardens and small pavilions.

[Click here for more information](#)

Closes: June 30, 2022

Small Business Bushfire Support Program

The Victorian and Commonwealth Governments provide Small Business Bushfire Support Grants of up to \$10,000 to support small businesses who have experienced a significant loss of income due to the Victorian bushfires that commenced 21 November 2019.

These grants are available to small businesses in the local council areas of Alpine, East Gippsland, Indigo, Mansfield, Towong, Wellington and the Rural City of Wangaratta. Grant assistance is also available to small businesses who work within the eligible disaster areas on a regular basis, provided they can demonstrate significant impact.

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Closes: 31 December 2020



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Legal assistance for people engaging with the Royal Commission into National Natural Disaster Arrangements

The Royal Commission into National Natural Disaster Arrangements has been established to inquire and make recommendations on government coordination of, response to and arrangements for dealing with national natural disasters.

Legal financial assistance may be provided to an entity, including an individual, for their reasonable legal representation and disbursement costs.

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Closes: 28 Oct 2020 12:00 pm

Environment Restoration Fund: Wildlife Rescue and Rehabilitation

The purpose of the program is to provide funding of \$5,000 - \$1,000,000 to support wildlife rehabilitators (including community wildlife carer organisations, veterinarians, animal hospitals, zoos, local shelter operators and foster carers) to rescue, treat and rehabilitate wildlife impacted by bushfires and return them into suitable natural environments or otherwise take care of them.

It will also support actions to preserve at-risk populations of threatened species impacted by destruction of their habitat through bushfire.

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Closes: November 29, 2020 (extended)

Emergency Bushfire Primary Industries Grants

Grants of up to \$75,000 are now available to eligible primary producers impacted by the Victorian Bushfires commencing 21 November 2019.

The support is available to bushfire affected primary producers in the local government areas of Ararat, Alpine, Ballarat, East Gippsland, Glenelg, Golden Plains, Greater Bendigo, Indigo, Mansfield, Moyne, Northern Grampians, Pyrenees, Southern Grampians, Strathbogie, Towong, Wangaratta, Wellington and Wodonga, and the alpine areas of

Falls Creek, Mount Buller, Mount Hotham and Mount Stirling.

Grants may be used to cover the costs associated with clean up and reinstatement of the entity, as detailed in the guidelines.

[Click here for more information](#)

Closes: December 31, 2020

The Creative Recovery Small Grants Program

The Creative Recovery Small Grants Program supports community connection, engagement and resilience for communities impacted by the 2019-20 bushfires in regional Victoria. The program will focus on the creative activity that assists these communities with short and long term recovery.

The program will support individual artists and organisations based in six local government authority areas of Alpine, East Gippsland, Indigo, Mansfield, Towong and Wangaratta.

Up to \$5000 is available for individuals and organisations. In limited circumstances, applicants may be invited to apply for funding above this threshold after consulting with Regional Arts Victoria.

[Click here for more information](#)

Closes: October 31, 2020

Forestry Recovery Development Fund Program

The objectives of the \$40 million program are:

- deliver funding to privately owned wood processing facilities that have been directly or indirectly impacted by the 2019-20 bushfires, and
- enable wood processing facilities to develop new processing lines for their business, including upgrades to existing facilities and technologies, and new facilities that complement existing activities.

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Reconstruct –Free rooftop solar system

To be eligible to apply for a free rooftop solar system under the REConstruct program, you are required to be a community-based organisation which has infrastructure that is located in a bushfire-affected region and has been adversely affected by the bushfires.

Broadly, allocations will be made on a first-come, first-served basis.

[Click here for more information](#)

Red Cross Bushfire Assistance Grants

- Emergency Grants
- Injury Grant
- Primary Residence Repair Grant
- Re-establishment Grants

[Click here for more information](#)

Closing date extended 31 December 2020

Strengthening Rural Communities

Bushfire Recovery -Foundation for Regional and Rural Renewal

Projects that enhance the recovery of communities affected by the Sept 2019 to Feb 2020 bushfires are eligible.

up to \$25,000 grants available

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Round 7 closes: 24 November 2020

Salvation Army Grants

- Harship Recovery Grant
- Loss of Residence Grant
- Bendigo Bank & The Salvation Army Education and Workplace Pathways Grant

[Click here for more information](#)

AGRICULTURAL SHOWS

Supporting Agricultural Shows and Field Days Program

The Australian Government is inviting agricultural show societies and field day organisers to apply for a grant to reimburse them for costs they incurred when they had to cancel their scheduled show or agricultural field day in 2020 because of COVID-19.

[Click here for more information](#)

Closes: October 9, 2020 11:00 pm

ARTS/CULTURAL/CREATIVE

COVID/BUSHFIRES

Australian Cultural Diplomacy Grants Program (ACDGP) 2020: Round 2

Grants to from \$10,000 - \$60,000.

The objectives of the grant opportunity are to:

- support the economic and social recovery efforts of the Australian creative industry sector and communities adversely affected by the COVID-19 pandemic and/or the 2019-2020 bushfires
- promote Australia's economic, artistic and cultural assets to an international audience
- influence perceptions of Australia at home and abroad
- build people-to-people and /or institutional links internationally
- leverage existing partnerships and foster engagement with key stakeholders in line with DFAT's 2017 Foreign Policy White Paper.

[Click here for more information](#)

Closes: 16 October 2020 2.00 p.m.

Festivals Australia

Festivals Australia provides funding to support individual art projects at festivals or significant one-off community events, such as a town's centenary celebration or opening of a major new community resource.

The program delivers two funding rounds each year usually opening in February and September. There is no limit to the amount of



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funding that may be sought, however the average funding request is around \$40,000. Only one project, per organisation, per festival will be funded.

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Closes: 16 October 2020 5:00 pm

Screen Industry Location Incentive

The objective of the Location Incentive is to ensure that Australia remains competitive in attracting large budget international film and television productions, thereby providing opportunities for Australian cast, crew, post-production companies and other screen production service providers to participate in production.

The Location Incentive will provide funding of \$540 million over eight years from 2019-20. Grants will be provided to large budget international screen productions undertaking filming in Australia that perform strongly against the assessment criteria.

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Closes: June 30, 2027

REGIONAL ARTS FUND – Quick Response Grants

RAF Quick Response Grants – up to \$2,000 for Individuals, \$4,000 for organisations

Quick Response Grants are intended to assist regional artists, arts organisations and communities to take up professional or skills development or small project opportunities.

This program has been set up to be responsive to projects that fall outside the scope of other funding opportunities. Applicants must clearly explain why there is no other suitable funding program for their project.

The Quick Response Grant program is open to applications on an ongoing basis by financial quarter. There will be up to four allocations per year. They will be open on an ongoing basis.

All Quick Response Grants must be completed by 1 January 2022. Project start date must be at least 30 business days from submission date.

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COMMUNITY GRANTS

ANZ Seeds of Renewal

Through the Seeds of Renewal program, ANZ commits \$250,000 which is distributed through grants of up to \$15,000 to community organisations for projects that will help their community thrive.

This year Lenovo is supporting the program, with the donation of 12 ThinkPad L490 laptops valued at over \$20,000 to eligible community projects. Community groups can apply for a funding grant or for IT equipment.

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ARTC Inland Rail 2020 Community Sponsorships and Donations Program

Inland Rail is committed to supporting communities along the alignment, by making voluntary financial contributions to eligible community groups running events, projects and activities which contribute to local and regional prosperity, well-being and sustainability.

Financial requests between \$1,000 and \$4,000 will be considered from eligible community organisations.

There are four annual open rounds.

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Winton Solar Farm Community Grants

These Grants will support local initiatives and projects that benefit the community in the key areas of:

- Environment and Sustainability
- Skills and Participation
- Health and Safety

Up to \$20,000 funding is available to eligible local organisations.



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Closes: 9 October 2020

DEFENCE COMMUNITY GRANTS

Family Support Funding Program (FSFP) - Short Term Opportunity

The Family Support Funding Program (FSFP) grants of \$5,000.00 to \$20,000.00 aim to build the capacity of individuals, families and communities to contribute to the local community in which they are posted through the theme of Thriving Communities.

Any incorporated not-for-profit organisation can apply for an FSFP grant, provided they can demonstrate their commitment and ability to deliver local community programs or projects in line with the aims of the program, with a strong focus on supporting Defence families and the Defence community.

[Click here for more information](#)

Closes: 19-Oct-2020 5:00 pm

ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

Environment Restoration Fund: Wildlife Rescue and Rehabilitation.

The purpose of the program is to provide funding of between \$5,000 - \$1 million to support wildlife rehabilitators (including community wildlife carer organisations, veterinarians, animal hospitals, zoos, local shelter operators and foster carers) to rescue, treat and rehabilitate wildlife impacted by bushfires and return them into suitable natural environments or otherwise take care of them.

It will also support actions to preserve at-risk populations of threatened species impacted by destruction of their habitat through bushfire. The investment will also build organisational and carer capacity and preparedness to respond to future emergencies.

[Click here for more information](#)

Closes: November 29, 2020

Future Drought Fund: Natural Resource Management Drought Resilience Program – Grants

The Program is focused on support for experimentation in NRM practices, systems and approaches that go beyond current best practice. This aims to foster innovation and transformational change in the management of Natural Capital to deliver drought resilience in agricultural landscapes.

[Click here for more information](#)

Closes: 30 Oct 2020 11:00 pm

INDUSTRY AND INNOVATION

Feasibility Study on Australia-Germany Trade and Investment in Hydrogen produced from Renewables

Seeking expressions of interest from an Australian industry and research consortium to undertake Australia's input into a comprehensive feasibility study. The study would investigate the Australian-German supply chain involving the production, storage, transport and use of hydrogen (including hydrogen based energy carriers, such as ammonia) produced from renewables.

[Click here for more information](#)

MEDICAL RESEARCH

Medical Research Future Fund - Australian Brain Cancer Mission - 2020 Brain Cancer Survivorship Grant Opportunity

The objective of this Grant Opportunity is:

- support the development of new approaches and the use of technologies to improve communications between brain cancer survivors, their families, carers and health care professionals; and



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- understand how information technologies and platforms can be used to support people with brain cancer, their families and carers, and their impact on the physical, psychosocial and economic sequelae of a brain cancer diagnosis.

Survivorship research must be focused on children, adolescents and young adults, or adults with malignant brain cancer, their families or carers.

[Click here for more information](#)

Closes: 20 October 2020

MENTAL HEALTH

MRFF – Million Minds Mission – 2020 Mental Health Research Grant Opportunity

This research grant opportunity is to support research into the following mental health priority areas:

- new mechanisms for early identification and prevention amongst children and adolescents;
- treatments for those with treatment resistant or treatment refractory mental health conditions
- initiatives to address the physical health of individuals with mental illness
- mechanisms to support access to treatment.

It is anticipated that this Grant Opportunity will fund two mental health clinical trial networks, one focussing on children and youth; and another on adults.

[Click here for more information](#)

Closes: 28 October 2020 5.00 p. m.

SCHOOLS

APPA-ASIC Moneysmart Grants for Principals – Round 3

ASIC's Moneysmart for teachers program provides teachers with professional learning and classroom resources to support delivery of financial literacy education in the classroom.

This \$3000 - \$5000 grant opportunity supports school leaders to promote financial capabilities in their staff and students to embed financial literacy education in their school communities.

[Click here for more information](#)

Closes: 16 October 5.00 p.m.

SCIENCE

National Science Week Grants – 2021

National Science Week provides the opportunity for community participation in high profile science engagement activities across the nation. Grants between \$2000 - \$20,000 are available

The objectives of the grant opportunity are to:

- support diverse local organisations and government to work together on science engagement activities that have been adapted to local needs
- inspire wide community participation in science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM).

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Women in STEM and Entrepreneurship – Round 3

The Women in STEM and Entrepreneurship program supports investment in gender equity initiatives that aim for lasting systemic change by eliminating barriers for women's participation in STEM education and careers, and entrepreneurship.

To deliver on the aims of the WISE program, this round will only support projects in these specific focus areas:

- Information technology (IT)
- Engineering
- Intersectionality
- Entrepreneurship

Grants are available between \$5000 and \$250,000

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REGIONAL SERVICES

Remote Airstrip Upgrade Program

The Remote Airstrip Upgrade Program provides grants to enhance the safety and accessibility of aerodromes in remote and very remote areas of Australia. It will provide year round all weather access, particularly where road access is unavailable or unreliable. This will:

- improve the safety of aircraft, operators and passengers using remote and very remote airstrips
- facilitate improved delivery of essential goods and services such as food supplies, health care, community mail and passenger air services
- support delivery of health care services by the Royal Flying Doctor Service (RFDS) and similar providers
- complement air services delivery to communities subsidised under the Australian Government's Remote Aviation Access Program (RAAP) through the Remote Air Services Subsidy (RASS) Scheme
- meet operational requirements of the RFDS or operators providing similar aeromedical services

The maximum grant amount is \$500,000. The grant will be up to 50% of eligible project costs

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Closes: 12 Nov 2020 05:00 PM

TELECOMMUNICATIONS and DIGITAL CONNECTIVITY

The Regional Connectivity Program (RCP)

The Regional Connectivity Program (RCP) is a \$53 million competitive grant opportunity to expand

the economic, social and public safety benefits of improved digital connectivity to regional, rural and remote Australian communities.

Funded infrastructure under the RCP must provide retail mobile or broadband services to a regional, rural or remote community or a subset of the community (such as local businesses, tourist locations, schools etc). Proposals must demonstrate the clear need for improved telecommunications and community support for any proposed economic and/or social benefits.

[Click here for more information](#)

Closes: 17 Nov 2020 5:00 pm

TOURISM

Wine Tourism and Cellar Door Grant - Round 2

The Wine Tourism and Cellar Door Grant program has been introduced to support producers who add value by encouraging visitors to wine regions. Wine producers will be able to access an annual grant reflective of their eligible physical cellar door sales. Grants are available up to \$100,000.

[Click here for more information](#)

Closes: 30 Oct 2020 5:00 pm

VETERANS AFFAIRS

Saluting Their Service Commemorative Grants Program

The program aims to preserve Australia's wartime heritage; involve people around the nation in a wide range of projects and activities that highlight the service and sacrifice of Australia's service personnel in wars, conflicts and peace operations; and promote appreciation and understanding of the experiences of service and the roles that those who served have played in shaping the nation.

There are two categories of grants available under the program:

- Community Grants (STS-CG)



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Grants to a maximum of \$10,000 are available for local, community-based projects and activities.

Major Grants (STS-MG)

Grants between \$10,001 and \$150,000 are available for major commemorative projects and activities that are significant from a national, state, territory and/or regional perspective.

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Closes:

- **October 29, 2020**
- **February 11, 2021**

YOUNG PEOPLE

The Youth Action Project Grant Scheme (YAPGS), an initiative of the Australian Government Department of Health and Foundation for Young Australians will respond to this hardship by providing grants between \$5,000 and \$20,000.

YAPGS is open to both individuals and organisations with two kinds of projects to be supported:

1. **New projects** that recognise and uniquely respond to the hardship young people are facing now and will face in the future.
2. **Existing projects** that provide a valuable on-going service to young people, which require additional funding to adapt or continue that work given the impact of the current environment.

The projects must support young people aged 15-24, not be commercial and should conclude by June 18, 2021.

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OTHER

Seniors Connected - Village Hubs National Grants Manager

The purpose of this grant is to engage a suitable organisation or consortia to manage the selection and administration of the grants to other organisations that will operate Village Hubs.

The successful Village Hubs National Grants Manager will assist the Australian Government establish at least ten additional Village Hubs in various locations across Australia, targeting older Australians aged 55 years and over (or Indigenous Australians aged 50 or over) living in their community.

A number of Village Hubs already exist in Australia and overseas, demonstrating how this model can bring older Australians together through a range of social, physical, learning, arts and cultural activities. Village Hubs aim to address loneliness, build community connection and offer a network of informal community support.

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