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RDA Yorke and Mid North produces a regular update on grant opportunities available to business, community and sporting groups, and local government through the Yorke and Mid North region to help connect stakeholders with opportunities for funding their projects.

This bulletin is updated at least monthly to provide stakeholders with a current view of grant opportunities available. The information contained herein is accurate at the time of publication and provides a relevant rather than exhaustive list of grants available at the time.

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ECONOMIC

Algal Bloom Small Business Support Grant

See also *Algal Bloom Fisheries and Aquaculture Assistance Grant*

Agency: Government of South Australia – Office of Small and Family Business

Closing: 31 July 2026

Eligibility: Following business types affected by Algal Bloom:

- marine or coastal tourism operator* (excluding general accommodation, hospitality and food services);
- charter boat and fishing charter operator;
- marine-based sport and/or school (e.g. surf school);
- marine and fishing supply chain manufacturer or retailer (e.g. tackle shops, marine equipment suppliers); or
- marine or coastal caravan parks, camping grounds and other accommodation providers (excluding short-term private/holiday rental providers e.g. private properties rented through real estate agents or booking sites such as Airbnb or Stayz)*; or
- beachfront kiosk/cafés*.

() Must be listed on the Australian Tourism Data Warehouse as at the date of application. A business or not-for-profit with an ATDW listing created after lodging an application will not be eligible.*

Grants are available to support Small Businesses and Not-for-Profit Organisations that can demonstrate, as a direct result of the Algal Bloom event, a decline in business turnover of thirty percent or more in any consecutive three month period from 1 April 2025 to 28 February 2026 (the ‘impact period’), compared to the corresponding three month period in the year prior (the ‘comparative period’)

Eligible small businesses can apply for an initial payment of \$10,000 if they have experienced a 30 per cent or greater decline in business turnover over a three-month period between 1 April 2025 and 30 June 2026.

A second and third \$20,000 payment may also be available if you can demonstrate a decline in turnover over additional separate three-month periods.

In total, eligible businesses may receive up to \$50,000 in assistance

Link for information [here](#)

Please note that RDA Yorke and Mid North can assist individual businesses with filling in the application if needed.

CSIRO Kick Start – Research and Development

Agency: Australian Government - CSIRO

Closing: Ongoing

Eligibility:

- Be an operating business with an Australian Company Number (ACN) or Indigenous Corporation Number (ICN).
- Be a non-tax-exempt company that is registered for GST.
- Less than \$10M in turnover or operating expenditure or less than 3 years trading

Projects will be developed between the company and the relevant CSIRO researcher(s).

Eligible projects must include one of the following activities:

- Research into a new idea or discovery with commercial potential
- Development of a novel or improved product or process
- Testing of a novel product, developed by the company, to inform research and development activities.
- Be delivered by CSIRO business units and/or facilities.
- Be less than 1 year in length

Matched funding to access two CSIRO vouchers between \$10K- \$50K each

Link for information [here](#)

Industry Growth Program

Agency: Australian Government- Business

Closing: Ongoing

Eligibility: Innovative small and medium enterprises undertaking commercialisation and/or growth projects within the National Reconstruction Fund (NRF) priority areas:

- value-add in resources
- value-add in agriculture, forestry and fisheries
- transport
- medical science
- renewables and low emissions technologies
- defence capability
- enabling capabilities.

The program supports innovative small and medium enterprises undertaking commercialisation and/or growth projects within the National Reconstruction Fund priority areas through advisory services and opportunities for matched grant funding. Minor changes or improvements to existing products or services are not considered innovative.

The successful applicants will be connected to an Industry Growth Program Adviser who will provide tailored advice to support commercialisation and/or growth project.

Link for information [here](#)

Rural Support Grant SA – Small Business

Agency: Government of South Australia - Department of Primary Industries and Regions (PIRSA)

Closing: Ongoing

Eligibility: SA primary producers and rural small businesses experiencing significant financial hardship.

Funding of up to \$1500 available in conjunction with financial counselling through Rural Business Support (RBS). The grant helps cover essential costs such as utilities, council rates, groceries, medical bills, or other items identified by the financial counsellor and the individual as part of their recovery planning.

Priority is given to those impacted by drought, algal bloom, market disruptions (such as in the wine grape industry), biosecurity incursions, and family-run rural small businesses concerned about their financial future.

Link for information [here](#)

PRIMARY PRODUCTION

Algal Bloom Fisheries and Aquaculture Assistance Grant

See also Algal Bloom Small Business Support Grant in Economic section of this Bulletin

Agency: Government of South Australia – Office of Small and Family Business

Closing: 31 July 2026

Eligibility: Commercial fisheries and aquaculture enterprises

The Algal Bloom Fisheries and Aquaculture Assistance Grant offers payments of up to \$100,000 to support commercial fisheries and aquaculture licence holders significantly impacted by the algal bloom.

This funding may be used to meet fixed costs and overheads - including utilities, rent, finance and interest payments.

Additional grants are now available

From 15 October 2025, if your business previously received this grant under the initial \$28 million support package, you can now apply for a second grant of up to \$100,000 if you can demonstrate a further three months decline in turnover or catch.

Eligible businesses can also receive up to \$25,000 in additional funding to support employee wages, meaning the hardest hit businesses may now be entitled to up to \$225,000 in total grants.

There are three ways you can demonstrate business impact for the purposes of this grant:

- having fishing licence fees waived by the Department of Primary Industries and Regions; or
- a 30 per cent or more decline in catch or harvest; or
- being subject to government harvesting area restrictions or closures (due to elevated levels of brevetoxin).

Link for information [here](#).

Please note that RDA Yorke and Mid North is able to assist individual businesses with filling in the application if needed.

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Closing: Ongoing

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Funding of up to \$1500 available in conjunction with financial counselling through Rural Business Support (RBS). The grant helps cover essential costs such as utilities, council rates, groceries, medical bills, or other items identified by the financial counsellor and the individual as part of their recovery planning.

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Link for information [here](#)

ENVIRONMENTAL

Bite-sized Grants

Agency: Landscape South Australia Northern and Yorke

Closing: 29 May 2026

Eligibility:

Incorporated not-for-profit groups including, but not limited to Land, Coast, and Bushcare groups, Friends of groups, farming groups and schools.

Individual landholders are not eligible to apply.

Eligible projects will contribute to one or more of the priorities of the Northern and Yorke Landscape Board:

- Pest Plant and Animal Control
- Sustainable Agriculture
- Water Management
- Biodiversity
- Communities

Funding of between \$200 and \$2,000 is available for community groups and not-for-profit organisations for small, short-term projects. The program is funded to deliver positive environmental and landscape management outcomes, such as weed control, revegetation projects and pest animal management.

Link for information [here](#)

COMMUNITY

Qantas Regional Grants - **NEW**

Agency: Qantas

Closing: 10 May 2026

Eligibility: individual, group or not-for-profit organisation

Over the past years, the grants have supported more than 120 not-for-profit groups and projects across regional Australia, giving \$7 million in grants since the program launched in 2019.

Example of eligible projects:

- Create a playground at the local school.
- A sporting club looking for flight funding to support a domestic trip to a competitive competition.
- An event organiser applying to promote their event to a broader audience in collaboration with Qantas.
- A charity looking to expand their program into regional areas (eg breast cancer trucks visiting regional towns).

The successful recipients will receive a combination of cash, free flights and marketing support, depending on the organisation's needs. The project must be aimed at benefiting regional Australia.

There is no minimum of maximum amount.

Link for information [here](#)

Ski for Life

Agency: Ski for Life

Closing: 30 April 2026

Eligibility: Project programs much impact directly on communities throughout regional, rural and/or remote Australia.

- Have an Australian Business Number (ABN) or a recognised relationship with a legal entity (i.e., organisation or company with an ABN), to ensure the project will be appropriately managed.
- Be able to complete the project within 12months from the receipt of funding.
- Not have started the project, funding will not be provided retrospectively.

Helps communities, groups and individuals undertake projects which raise awareness and promote mental health, wellbeing and suicide prevention.

Grants are accessed in multiple rounds each year:

Grant Round	Open	Closes	Distribution
Round 1	1 st Feb	30 th April	31 st May
Round 2	1 st May	31 st July	31 st August
Round 3	1 st August	31 st October	30 th November
Round 4	1 st November	31 st January	28 th February

Link for information [here](#)

Willogoleche 2 Wind Farm 2026 Grants Program

Agency: Engie

Closing: 1 May 2026

Eligibility: Not for Profit community groups, projects/ programs or facilities that are located near the project will be eligible to apply, prioritising those that provide a direct benefit to the community within the Regional Council of Goyder and/or Ngadjuri Nation Aboriginal Corporation

The community grants are part of ENGIE's commitment to supporting the local community and sharing the benefits of the Project.

Successful applications will enhance tourism, arts or culture, promote sustainability or enhance the environment, improve education or training or improve socio-economic conditions.

Grants are in the form of one-off cash contributions, capped at \$5,000.

Link for information [here](#)

Waterloo Wind Farm Community Grants Program - **NEW**

Agency: Waterloo Wind Farm

Opening: 1st April 2026

Closing: 8 May 2026

Eligibility:

- Operate as a not-for-profit or be a registered charity
- Hold a valid ABN and be legally incorporated
- Demonstrate community benefit and alignment with the funding priorities.

Community Diversity: Support for projects that encourage communities to connect and be inclusive of gender, cultures, age groups, nationalities and abilities. This includes events that celebrate culture and traditions, projects that aim to improve multicultural infrastructure, provide support for disadvantaged groups, achieve gender equality, or initiatives that seek to address social isolation and improve access and opportunity for everyone.

Sustainability and Environment: Support for projects that seek to build or enhance community sustainability or the local environment, in particular through the use of renewables, the reduction of waste or via protection of the environment. This includes solar panel installation, recycling at events, school education programs, community gardens and environmental preservation programs.

Health and Wellbeing: Support for projects that seek to improve the health and wellbeing of the local community. This may include physical or mental health programs, initiatives that aim to improve sports participation and access, sporting facility upgrades and education programs.

Community Participation and Pride: Support for projects that encourage greater community participation and/or seek to recognise and celebrate the unique attributes of the region. This includes community volunteering initiatives, playground / public space enhancements, community festivals and events and local heritage preservation.

Sporting clubs are welcome to apply.

What's on offer?

- Individual grants of up to \$5,000
- Funding prioritised for towns and projects closest to the Waterloo Wind Farm

Link for information [here](#)

Elders Community Giving Project

Agency: Elders

Closing: 21 May 2026

Eligibility:

- not-for-profit organisation with an ABN or Incorporation Certificate. (unincorporated organisations may be auspiced by an incorporated organisation)
- must be located and service a regional, rural or remote community where Elders operate

This program aims to support initiatives that provide sustainable, tangible and long-term benefits with positive outcomes for communities at a grassroots level, further building capacity, longevity, liveability and connection in the regions. It will invest in regional, rural and remote communities across Australia through the provision of 14 grants that align with Elders' areas of focus.

There are two grants available per pillar, one of each tier of funding:

- Tier 1: Six grants of up to \$20,000 for a significant project with long-term benefit for the community.
- Tier 2: Eight grants up to \$10,000 for medium to large scale projects and initiatives.

In addition, the People's Choice category will offer two grants of up to \$10,000 each. It is an open criteria which will be voted by Elders employees to support a charity or idea which they work with or feel passionately about.

Link for information [here](#)

2025-26 Volunteer Grants

Agency: Department of Social Services

Opens: 18 May 2026

Closing: 29 May 2026

Eligibility: To be eligible to receive a grant, you must be a community organisation that has been nominated by your Federal MP via the EOI process and:

- be a legal and eligible entity, or
- be an unincorporated association that agrees to the primary contact on your application entering into an agreement on behalf of unincorporated association; and
- have a minimum of 40% of volunteers working for your organisations
- be a not-for-profit community organisation
- have an Australian Business Number (ABN)

For this grant opportunity, up to \$10 million (GST exclusive) is available through grants of between \$1,000 and \$5,000 for eligible not-for-profit community organisations.

Organisations should:

1. **Read the Grant Opportunity Guidelines carefully**
2. **Contact their local Federal MP to understand how to submit an expression of interest**

Link for information [here](#)

Modernised Multicultural Grants Program: Infrastructure for Multicultural Communities - NEW

Agency: Department of Home Affairs

Closing: Batch 1: 18 May 2026, **Batch 2:** 12 November 2026

Eligibility: To be eligible you must be:

- a not-for-profit organisation

- a legal entity with the capacity to enter into a legally binding grant agreement with the Commonwealth; and
- one of the following entity types:
 - Company
 - Cooperative
 - Incorporated Association
 - Indigenous Corporation
 - Statutory Entity.

The grant opportunity is comprised of 2 funding opportunities, called batches. You can apply for funding in one batch.

- Batch 1 opens on 7 April 2026 and closes on 18 May 2026.
- Batch 2 opens on 18 May 2026 and closes on 12 November 2026.

The following groups and projects will be prioritised for funding:

- new and emerging multicultural communities.
- projects focussed on achieving positive outcomes for multicultural women, multicultural LGBTIQ+ community members, and multicultural people with a disability.

Co-contributions are required towards the value of your project and the minimum amount of co funding is determined by whether you are applying as a priority group/project or other.

The objectives of the grant opportunity are to:

- deliver physical infrastructure to support multicultural communities connect and commune in a designated physical environment
- provide co-funding to deliver community-focussed infrastructure and amenities
- provide infrastructure and amenities that benefit the wider multicultural community by improving equity and social inclusion.

Link for information [here](#)

Future Drought Front (FDF) Communities – Regional Drought Resilience Plan (RDRP) Social Outcome Grant - **NEW**

Agency: Foundation for Rural Regional Renewal

Closing: 23 June 2026

Eligibility: Applicant organisations must be a not-for-profit organisation with an ABN or Incorporation Certificate.

The proposed project must be for charitable purposes and offer clear public benefit.

Projects are considered eligible if they are either identified in an eligible RDRP or align with a social resilience theme in the RDRP.

Organisations that participated in the development of the RDRP will be prioritised.

Organisations can submit one application per grant round.

Projects must benefit communities in remote, rural, or regional Australia that are agriculture-dependent.

RDRP Social Outcome Grants will be offered across three rounds. This is round 1 of 3. If funds remain unspent at the end of round 3, then a fourth round may be opened.

An indicative funding pool of \$2 million is available for up to 50 approved RDRP regions to apply for a grant of up to \$100,000 per RDRP region in Round 1.

Applications are sought from locally based, not-for profit organisations that seek to undertake simple, one-off, or seed-type activities or initiatives that contribute to the stated program outcomes. Local collaboration is encouraged.

Organisations may apply for no more than one request per round.

The minimum request is \$1,000. The maximum request is up to \$100,000

Round 3 opens in February 2027 and closes in March 2027 for funding awarded in July 2027.

Link for information [here](#)

Future Drought Fund Communities – Small Network Grants - NEW

Agency: Foundation for Rural Regional Renewal

Closing: 23 June 2026

Eligibility: Applicant organisation must be a not-for-profit organisation with an ABN or Incorporation Certificate.

The proposed project must be for charitable purposes and offer clear public benefit.

Organisations can submit one application per grant round.

Projects must benefit communities in remote, rural or regional Australia that are agriculture-dependent.

Small Network Grants will be offered across three rounds. This is round 1 of 3. An indicative funding pool of \$1 million is available in each round for grants up to \$50,000. There is no minimum request amount.

Applications are sought from locally based, not-for profit organisations that seek to undertake simple, one-off, or seed-type activities or initiatives that contribute to the stated program outcomes. Local collaboration is encouraged.

Organisations may apply for no more than one request per round. There is no minimum request.

Please review the [list of regions and LGAs](#) that are supported by this program.

Round 3 opens in February 2027 and closes in March 2027 for funding awarded in July 2027.

Link for information [here](#)

Strengthening Rural Communities – Small & Vital - NEW

Agency: Foundation for Rural Regional Renewal

Closing: 24 June 2026

Eligibility: To apply you must meet the following criteria:

- Organisations must be a not-for-profit organisation with either an Incorporation Certificate and/or an ABN.
- There are three streams of funding available within the Strengthening Rural Communities (SRC) Program: [Small and Vital](#) (including Larger Leverage) and [Prepare and Recover](#). Organisations may submit their application in only one of these streams per SRC grant round, and any other applications in this round will be considered ineligible;
- Project must be for charitable purposes and offer clear public benefit;
- Not-for-profit organisations with or without DGR-1 endorsement are eligible; and
- Projects must benefit communities in remote, rural or regional Australia.

The Strengthening Rural Communities Small and Vital stream gives small remote, rural and regional communities across Australia the opportunity to access funds for a broad range of initiatives that directly and clearly benefit local communities.

There are two tiers of Small and Vital funding available: Small grants up to \$10,000 are available for a broad range of grassroots, community-led initiatives that directly and clearly benefit local communities that strengthen local people, places and climate solutions with a preference for smaller communities (populations under 15,000).

The timeframe to deliver these projects is up to 12 months.

Targeted larger leverage grants up to \$50,000 are available for projects that focus on strengthening the digital skills, confidence and safety of adults enabling them to get online, build social connections, and access services, information, education and employment through training, as well as acquiring the digital and connectivity infrastructure where needed. The timeframe to deliver these projects is up to 18 months.

Link for information [here](#)

Strengthening Rural Communities – Prepare & Recover - NEW

Agency: Foundation for Rural Regional Renewal

Closing: 24 June 2026

Eligibility: To apply you must meet the following criteria:

- Organisations must be a not-for-profit organisation with either an Incorporation Certificate and/or an ABN. If you are unsure if your organisation is a registered not-for-profit (e.g. if you are a Co-operative, Other Unincorporated Entity, Public Company or Trust), please contact FRRR;
- There are three streams of funding available within the Strengthening Rural Communities (SRC) Program: [Small and Vital](#) (including Larger Leverage) and [Prepare and Recover](#). Organisations may submit their application in only one of these streams per SRC grant round, and any other applications in this round will be considered ineligible;

- Project must be for charitable purposes and offer clear public benefit;
- Not-for-profit organisations with or without DGR-1 endorsement are eligible; and
- Projects must benefit communities in remote, rural or regional Australia.

The Strengthening Rural Communities Prepare and Recover program supports communities in remote, rural and regional communities across Australia to implement initiatives that prevent and prepare for future climate-related impacts or recover from existing disasters in the medium to long-term timeframe, generally one to ten years after a disaster.

Grants up to \$25,000 are available for a broad range of initiatives.

Link for information [here](#)

Petstock Foundation Grant Program

Agency: Petstock

Closing: Ongoing

Eligibility: Direct Gift Recipient (Charity)

- Assist abused, abandoned and neglected pets through rescue, rehabilitation and/or rehoming initiatives.
- Support those who require assistance within our communities through companion animal projects and disaster assistance.
- Raise awareness about rescue pets, animal health and the impact of animals on human happiness and health.

Link for information [here](#)

Community Sponsorship Fund - Whyte Yarcowie Wind Farm

Agency: Wind Prospect

Closing: Ongoing

Eligibility:

- Community-serving, incorporated not-for-profit organisation
- Geographic proximity to the project

While most of the benefit sharing programs will not commence until the wind farm has been approved, the annual Community Sponsorship Fund is in operation and applications are welcome. The fund provides an annual fund of \$10,000 per year to assist community groups and organisations that operate in the vicinity of the proposed wind farm to improve their services, programs, initiatives and/or facilities.

- Fund of \$10,000 per calendar year
- Initially, funding totalling \$2,500 will be granted each quarter (to a total of \$10,000 per calendar year)
- Grants greater than \$2,500 may be awarded, at the discretion of Wind Prospect.

Link for information [here](#)

ABC Future Fund

Agency: ABC Foundation Ltd

Closing: Ongoing

Eligibility: Aboriginal organisations with an ABN from remote and regional areas.

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

The fund also offers small one-off event grants of up to \$2,500 per applicant for community-centred activities.

Link for information [here](#)

Inclusive Neighbourhoods

Agency: Julia Farr McLeod Benevolent Fund

Closing: Ongoing

Eligibility: Social purpose organisations (including not-for-profits, social enterprises, universities and governments) who demonstrate an existing commitment to inclusion through engagement of people with disability in recognised roles in governance and/or workforce.

This grant funds initiatives by organisations that develop policy or practice relating to the inclusion of people living with disability.

Grants can be used for

- Salaries and on costs
- Costs of setting up your project, such as recruitment and training
- General operating costs directly related to the project
- Organisation overheads related to the project
- Honoraria/gifts for people participating in the program, for example in governance, codesign, or advisory groups
- Event costs
- Marketing costs
- Monitoring and evaluation
- Capital costs to support project delivery (e.g. laptops etc, rather than fixed assets)

Amount: Grants range in size between \$8,000 and \$230,000. Multi-year grants can be made available, up to a maximum of three years.

Link for information [here](#)

SPORTS AND LEISURE

Game On: Teaming up for Climate Action – OPENING SOON

Agency: Australian Government

Opening: June 2026

This grant will deliver \$35.262 million over two funding rounds and will run over three years from 2026–27 to 2028–29.

The program will provide support for up to 500 community sports clubs, helping them upgrade their facilities to be more climate resilient and energy efficient.

The objectives of the program are:

- support up to 500 community sports clubs to decarbonise their operations and reduce energy bills through energy efficiency, electrification and climate resilience upgrades
- increase awareness and understanding of energy efficiency, electrification and climate adaptation activities among sports club members and their communities
- support emissions abatement to contribute to Australia’s target to reduce emissions to 62-70% below 2005 levels by 2035.

Final Grant Opportunity Guidelines and other supporting documents will be published on [GrantConnect](#) when the grant opportunity is open for applications.

Supercheap Auto Club Development Fund - NEW

Agency: Supercheap Auto

Closing: Round 1: 22 June 2026, Round 2 TBC.

Eligibility:

- Clubs must be affiliated with Motorsport Australia for the current year to be eligible for funding.
- Should a club seek funding for a project to be held in the following calendar year, the club must also be affiliated for that year
- For projects spanning two calendar years, the club must be affiliated for both years
- Applicant clubs must be affiliated on a Sporting Club Plan to apply under Funding Areas 1 and 3
- Clubs that have been successful in obtaining funding in previous rounds of the Supercheap Auto Club Development Fund are eligible to apply.
- Clubs may submit multiple applications per funding round; however, they will only be eligible to receive funding for one project per round.

Funds will be allocated to projects that fit within one of the following four funding areas:

- **Funding Area 1:** Safety and Operational Equipment
- **Funding Area 2:** Volunteer Upskilling and Club Capacity Building
- **Funding Area 3:** Participation and Pilot Programs.

Financial

- Clubs are required to make a financial contribution equal to or greater than the amount requested from the fund
- Funding allocation per project will be up to \$1500 inc GST
- Under funding area 3 permit fees will be waived for programs delivered as a stand-alone event.

Link for information [here](#)

AFL Breaking New Ground - NEW

Agency: AFL

Opening: Ongoing

Eligibility:

- Schools
- Local governments,
- Developers,
- Community
- Australian football clubs

The objectives of the program are to:

- Develop increased supply through the construction of new ovals, especially in growing communities.
- Increase the AFL facility network in areas of need, by maximising the carrying capacity and accessibility of new places to play and the quality/functionality of supporting infrastructure.
- Provide inclusive and accessible facilities that cater for the diversity of participants, particularly females, who wish to participate in the game.
- Enable planning and project partnerships to form with a range of government and non-government bodies to result in an improved quantity, quality and welcoming venue network for Australian football.

Funding Available: Up to \$50,000 for planning and up to \$200,000 for project delivery.

Link for information [here](#)

Roger Rasheed Sports Foundation

Agency: Roger Rasheed Foundation

Closing: Ongoing

Eligibility: Disadvantaged communities

The Roger Rasheed Sports Foundation is a not-for-profit charity that provides sports facilities and opportunities for extreme disadvantaged communities across Australia. The Foundation wants to ensure that children, regardless of background or circumstance, have the opportunity to enjoy all that sport has to offer.

Link for information [here](#)

HEALTH AND WELL BEING

Black Dog Ride - **NEW**

Agency: Black Dog Ride Australia

Closing: Ongoing.

Eligibility: Non for profit organisation or community group

The Black Dog Ride Australia Community Grants program is focused on supporting initiatives that help people who suffer from mental illness, help prevent suicide, and raise awareness of both mental health and suicide prevention.

Community grants and Train the Trainer grants are available.

Amount between \$1,000 and \$10,000 (including GST)

Link for information [here](#)

Australian Lions Wellbeing Grants - **NEW**

Agency: Australian Lions

Closing: Ongoing.

Eligibility:

- Schools,
- Lions Clubs
- Community groups

Projects which help to increase the wellbeing of your community in your local area and are conducted in an alcohol and drug-free space will be considered. These projects can target any age group.

Some project suggestions are:

- Youth-friendly social events
- Environmentally conscious activities (recycling, re-use)
- Community gardens, art activities or workshops
- Sponsorship of charitable / awareness raising events (e.g., “a-thons”)
- An event / activity that supports Lions International Mental Health and Wellbeing service initiative

Maximum grant of \$1,000.

Link for information [here](#)

VETERANS

Veterans SA Capacity Building Grant Fund

Agency: Veterans SA

Closing: 15 May 2026 unless funds exhausted prior to this date.

Eligibility: Organisations are eligible to apply if they are:

Non-government, not-for-profit and:

- incorporated under the Associations Incorporation Act 1985; or
- a Statutory Authority established through an Act; or
- registered with the Australian Charities and Not-for-Profit Commission.

In addition, applicant organisations must:

- have an active, registered ABN
- have met all requirements for any previous grants received from Veterans SA, such as acquitting or reporting on grants.

Applicants can seek grants of up to \$7,000 (ex GST) for projects that improve governance, strengthen capacity building skills, and enhance their ability to lead, support and advocate for veteran communities across South Australia.

A maximum of \$50,000 (ex GST) in grant funding is available for distribution in the 2025-2026 financial year.

Link for information [here](#)

Veterans SA Commemorative Services Grant Fund

Agency: Veterans SA

Closing: 15 May 2026 unless funds exhausted prior to this date.

Eligibility: Organisations are eligible to apply if they are:

Non-government, not-for-profit and:

- incorporated under the Associations Incorporation Act 1985; or
- a Statutory Authority established through an Act; or
- registered with the Australian Charities and Not-for-Profit Commission.

In addition, applicant organisations must:

- have an active, registered ABN and have met all requirements for any previous grants received from Veterans SA, such as acquitting or reporting on grants.

Applicants can seek grants of up to \$2,000 (ex GST) for expenses that directly relate to the coordination, management and delivery of commemorative services within South Australia.

A maximum of \$20,000 (ex GST) in grant funding is available for distribution in the 2025-26 financial year.

Note. South Australian RSL sub-branches are encouraged to apply to the RSL SA State Branch for funding to deliver Anzac Day services.

Link for information [here](#)

Saluting their Service Commemorative Grants Program

Agency: Department of Veterans' Affairs

Closing: 21 January 2027

Eligibility: Must be one of the following entity types:

- Company
- Cooperative
- Corporate State or Territory Entity
- Incorporated Association
- Indigenous Corporation
- Local Government
- Non-corporate State or Territory Entity
- Non-corporate State or Territory Statutory Authority
- Partnerships
- Person
- Sole Trader
- Statutory Entity
- Unincorporated Association – only for Community Grants (up to \$10,000).

Community Grants

Grants up to \$10,000 are available for projects and activities that:

- are focused on the local community
- commemorate the service and sacrifice of local community members
- are primarily accessed by the local community.

Major Grants

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 broader regional perspective. These projects may include the construction of new war or peace memorials where none currently exist, as well as additions to existing memorials.

Link for information [here](#)

COUNCILS

Port Pirie Regional Council

Agency: Port Pirie regional Council Regional Council

Closing: 29th May 2026

Eligibility:

- Non for profit organisations
- Community and sporting groups

The purpose of the fund is to encourage and support community initiatives that respond to local needs, enhance community well-being and quality of life and are of benefit to Port Pirie Regional council residents.

It is aimed at providing non-for-profit organisations, community and sporting groups based in the Council area with the opportunity to obtain funds for projects or events which cannot easily be obtained from other sources. Grant funding of up to a maximum of \$4,000 is available for financial and/or in-kind assistance per application, per organisation, per year.

Funding is offered 4 times a year. Applicants may submit one application per funding round. See below for funding timeframes:

Applications received:	Assessed:	For projects/events commencing:
Rd 1: Jan - Feb	Mar	Apr, May, June
Rd 2: Apr - May	June	July, Aug, Sep
Rd 3: July - Aug	Sep	Oct, Nov, Dec
Rd 4: Oct - Nov	Dec	Jan, Feb, Mar

Link for information [here](#)

Wakefield Regional Council – Minor and Major Grant Program

Agency: Wakefield Regional Council

Closing: 29th May 2026

Eligibility:

- Wakefield-based not-for-profit organisations that provide benefit to the Wakefield community.
- Where facility upgrade is intended, the organisation must be the owner/leaseholder of the land or building in question and, if the leaseholder, must have signed consent from the land owner. If the facility is privately owned must be able to show the broad and ongoing community benefit.
- A sub-committee of a larger organisation. E.g. A governing council or parents committee of a School, Kindergarten or Childcare Centre.

Applicants must demonstrate alignment with at least one of the three themes of Wakefield 2030:

- Liveable Communities – activities that enhance the quality of life for our community.
- Thriving Region – activities that encourage economic growth and development.
- Sustainable Future – activities that support sustainability in the use of waste, water and energy, or promote and enhance the environment.

Minor grants – up to \$2,000

Major grants - \$2,001-\$25,000

Link for information [here](#)

Wakefield Regional Council - Event Sponsorship Grants Program

Agency: Wakefield Regional Council

Closing: Ongoing until budget is expended

Eligibility: Wakefield-based not-for-profit organisations that provide benefit to the Wakefield community.

Wakefield Regional Council's Community Grants Program aims to provide financial support connect people in the region and support delivery of the Wakefield 2030 Community Plan and vision:

Examples:

- Major street activation events
- Town hall productions
- Festivals (non-exclusive) Events that celebrate the region's culture, history and arts
- Events to promote community pride
- Art exhibitions and Museum events
- Come and try events
- Community markets

Up to \$500 for minor events. Up to \$2,000 for major events.

Link for information [here](#)

DISCLAIMER

This list is not exhaustive. It contains a number of currently open programs that our regional businesses, organisations and stakeholder groups tend to apply for. If you are seeking funding, please get in touch if we can be of any assistance and remember to always refer to the funding program guidelines.