



JAGAJAGA COMMUNITY VOLUNTEER GRANTS

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

Funding of between \$1,000 and \$5,000 is available for local organisations to support the efforts of their volunteers.

The objective of this Federal Government program is to support volunteers within eligible not-for-profit community organisations. Grants can be used to purchase communication or insurance items and/or purchase items or services to assist volunteers or volunteer-run activities that support the well-being and development of children (under 18). **Please review the grant categories on page 2 to determine how you can best support your organisation.**



Please return this Expression of Interest (EOI) form to the office of Kate Thwaites MP by 5pm, Wednesday 22 January 2025.

Email your completed EOI to **Kate.Thwaites.MP@aph.gov.au**

Who can apply?

Organisations applying must be a legal entity or an unincorporated association* and

- Have a minimum of 40% of volunteers working for your organisation
- Be a not-for-profit organisation
- Have an ABN**
- Have a bank account with an Australian financial institution in the name of the organisation applying

*If you are an unincorporated association you must agree to the primary contact on your application entering into an agreement on behalf of the unincorporated association. This means that if your grant application is approved, the primary contact will assume all legal liability and become personally liable for the delivery of the funded activity, expenditure of funds and any other associated obligations arising from the grant agreement validly executed.

**Or be willing to provide a Statement by Supplier (reason for not quoting an ABN) Form. Please refer to the ATO website for further information.

For more information, please visit www.grants.gov.au or contact the office of Kate Thwaites MP on (03) 9459 1411 or at Kate.Thwaites.MP@aph.gov.au



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GRANT CATEGORIES

The Government has made changes to this program to better align with the National Strategy for Volunteering 2023-33 and its vision for children and young people, as well as to support key costs faced by all volunteering organisations.

CATEGORY 1

Purchase **communication** or **insurance** items that will benefit any of the community organisations **volunteers**, *as listed in the Grant Opportunity Guidelines and below*

- Mobile phones, phone bills and radio communication devices
- Computers, laptops and tablets, where those items are primarily used for online communication and activity
- Software and equipment, where the software is primarily used for or to facilitate online communications and activity (e.g. email and video conferencing software or equipment)
- Electronic payment devices where the device is primarily used for or to facilitate online communication and activity
- Internet service fees incurred by the community organisation
- Insurance premiums incurred by the community organisation

CATEGORY 2 (A)

Purchase items or services for the main purpose of supporting **volunteers** from community organisations, focussing on the development and wellbeing of children

CATEGORY 2 (B)

Purchase items or services for the main purpose of supporting **volunteer-run activities** within community organisations focussing on the development and wellbeing of children

- Computers, laptops, tablets, and relevant software
 - Educational equipment
 - Electronic audio and visual
 - Event costs including promotion of volunteering opportunities
 - First aid, safety and hygiene
 - Food preparation equipment and appliances
 - Furniture
 - Sport and recreation equipment
 - Travel/fuel costs
 - Whitegoods and appliances
- and more as listed in the Grant Opportunity Guidelines.*



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2024-25 VOLUNTEER GRANTS EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

Complete and return this form to Kate Thwaites MP to express your organisation's interest in the 2024- 25 Volunteer Grants Opportunity administered by the Department of Social Services. Please refer to the [Grant Opportunity Guidelines](#) for more information on eligibility requirements.

Organisation Details

Organisation Name:						
Organisation ABN:						
Organisation Address:						
	Town/ Suburb		State		Postcode	
Activity Address*:						
	Town/ Suburb		State		Postcode	

*The activity address refers to the address where the volunteering activity occurs. If this is the same as the organisation address, this field can be left blank.

Primary Contact Name:		Mobile:	
Email:			
Secondary Contact Name:		Mobile:	
Email:			

Questions

All funding sought must directly benefit your organisation's volunteers or volunteer run activities as per Category 1 and 2 below.

1. What does your organisation do to support the local community and how will the grant activity enable your organisation's volunteers to address the needs of the local community and demonstrate value for money?



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2. Do volunteers make up 40% or more of your organisation's staff?	O Yes O No
3. What is the total amount of funding being sought? (between \$1000 and \$5000)	\$
4. If applying under Category 1, which communication items are you seeking to purchase? (if applying under category 2 select NA) (note you can apply under more than one category)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Mobile phones, phone bills and radio communication devices <input type="checkbox"/> Computers, laptops and tablets <input type="checkbox"/> Software <input type="checkbox"/> Insurance premiums	<input type="checkbox"/> Electronic audio and visual equipment <input type="checkbox"/> Electronic payment devices (e.g. payment devices) <input type="checkbox"/> Internet service fees <input type="checkbox"/> NA
5. If applying under Category 2, are you seeking to support volunteers under the age of 18 or volunteer run activities for the development and well-being of children? (you may select more than one) (If only applying under Category 1 please select NA)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Purchase items or services for the main purpose of supporting a community organisation's volunteers under the age of 18. <input type="checkbox"/> Fund volunteer-run activities within the community organisation for the main purpose of supporting children's (under 18) development and wellbeing, or parents/carers to develop the skills necessary to ensure a child's development. <input type="checkbox"/> NA	
6. If applying under Category 2 what items are you seeking to purchase? (If applying under 1 category only select NA) (note you can apply under more than one category)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Accessibility equipment <input type="checkbox"/> Background screening checks of volunteers <input type="checkbox"/> Computers, laptops, tablets and relevant software <input type="checkbox"/> Educational equipment <input type="checkbox"/> Electronic audio and visual <input type="checkbox"/> Event costs including promotion of volunteering opportunities <input type="checkbox"/> First aid, safety and hygiene <input type="checkbox"/> Food preparation equipment and appliances <input type="checkbox"/> Furniture <input type="checkbox"/> Grounds maintenance	<input type="checkbox"/> Heat/cooling (portable) <input type="checkbox"/> Office equipment <input type="checkbox"/> Promotion of volunteering opportunities <input type="checkbox"/> Sport and recreation equipment <input type="checkbox"/> Storage <input type="checkbox"/> Tools <input type="checkbox"/> Training <input type="checkbox"/> Travel/fuel costs <input type="checkbox"/> Whitegoods and appliances <input type="checkbox"/> NA
7. Has anyone from your organisation submitted an expression of interest in another electorate?	O Yes O No
8. Has your organisation previously received a grant supported by Kate Thwaites MP (since 2019)?	O Yes O No
9. Have you reviewed the Grant Opportunity Guidelines to check your eligibility requirements?	O Yes O No



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Further Information

All applications will be assessed by a Community Committee. Grants are not ongoing and if your organisation is nominated by your local Federal Member of Parliament you will be invited to apply for a grant which will be assessed by the Department of Social Services after the expression of interest process has been finalised. Please attach any supporting documentation i.e. letters of support. Please be aware that if your organisation is nominated to apply for a Volunteer Grant, some or all of this information will be shared with the Department of Social Services.

Note: If your organisation is an unincorporated association, a person connected to your organisation will be required to assume personal legal liability. The person will be legally liable for the delivery of the funded activity, expenditure of funds and any other associated obligations arising from the grant agreement. For more information see **Section 4** of the [Grant Opportunity Guidelines](#).

I _____ declare that the details provided above, to the
(Print name) best of my knowledge, are true and correct

(Authorised Representative Signature Required)

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