

COMMUNITY DISASTER RESPONSE & RECOVERY GRANTS

PROGRAM GUIDELINES

As part of the mental health support package for flood affected Australians announced on 9 March 2022, Noosa Council has received funding from the Public Health Network (PHN) to support communities to recover and build resilience as a result of the severe weather and flooding event across Southeast Queensland and New South Wales.

The Community Disaster Response and Recovery Grants Program is funding to support communities to recover and build resilience as a result of the severe weather and flooding event across the Noosa Shire.

OBJECTIVES

The objectives of the Community Disaster Response and Recovery Program is to:

- (a) allow communities the opportunity to choose their response to the loss, anxiety and distress experienced as a result of severe weather and flooding events;
- (b) promote wellbeing and healing among community;
- (c) strengthen social connectedness and assist communities with the recovery process.

Community Disaster Response and Recovery Grants should increase the delivery of non-clinical supports in flood affected communities based on the needs of the local regions.

Noosa Council in partnership with PHN are seeking application from eligible organisations who are in a position to employ a social worker to help people who are in crisis and need support as a result from the recent disaster events.

KEY SELECTION CRITERIA

Applications must address Selection Criteria that addresses the Objectives for the Community Disaster Response and Recovery Grant Program.

Applications must specify:

- The community need to be addressed (what will your project achieve)
- Intended reach of Grant activity (i.e. estimated number of people to be impacted by Grant activity)
- Anticipated impact of proposed Grant activity

ELIGIBLE ORGANISATIONS

Who Can Apply

The grant program is available to organisations who:

- Are a legal not-for-profit organisation as defined by the Australian Taxation Office (ATO) and Australian Charities and Not-For-Profits Commission (ACNC), located within or delivering services within the Noosa Shire flood impact zone.
- Comply with all governance and financial requirements of the State and Commonwealth as at the closing date for the grant program
- Have an active ABN
- Have a bank account in the name of the legal entity

All applicants must have:

- Appropriate insurances and adhere to sound Workplace Health and Safety practices.

Who Cannot Apply

This grant program is not available to:

- Commercial businesses or business trusts
- Individuals
- Government agencies or departments of local, state or federal government
- Educational, political or religious organisations, or primary health care providers, where the application is for the organisation's core business
- Parents and Friends Associations, or Parents & Citizens Associations
- Kindergartens, Pre-school and day care centres
- Not for profit organisations with a liquor-licensed supporters/associated club that commercially trades seven days a week

AVAILABLE FUNDING

The maximum Community Disaster Response and Recovery grant is \$60,000 for a hinterland flood response social worker.

KEY DATES

Grant Opens - 9.00am, Wednesday 7 September 2022

Grant Closes - 12noon, Friday 7 October 2022

Announce Results - November 2022

Progress Report - 30 June 2023

Project Completion & Final Acquittal Due - 30 December 2023

HOW TO APPLY

Applications are to be submitted using the online application form (on Council's website).

It is recommended that you speak with a Community Development Officer prior to submitting your application to ensure that it fits the funding eligibility criteria.



SUCCESSFUL APPLICANTS

Successful applicants will be required to:

- Enter into a funding agreement with Council
- Provide Council with a tax invoice for approved grant funding
- Provide Council with a copy of insurance cover
- Complete a Progress Report and Final Acquittal report
- Provide photographic evidence of project completion that can also be used for promotional use
- Acknowledge funding bodies as specified in the funding agreement

GOODS & SERVICES TAX

Goods and Services Tax (GST). The grant amount requested must not include GST. The quotes provided may include GST but the actual figures recorded in the budget must have had GST deducted. If the applicant is registered for GST then Council will add GST to the grant when it is paid. If the applicant is not registered for GST then Council will not add GST to the grant when it is paid.



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