

# Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Positive Relationships Grants 2024 Guidelines

## Overview

The Queensland Government is committed to a new way of working with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, families, and communities, in the spirit of reconciliation to address the causes, prevalence and impacts of domestic and family violence.

The Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Positive Relationships Grants provide funding up to \$20,000 to eligible organisations to support initiatives aimed at reducing domestic and family violence in communities and promoting positive family relationships.

## Purpose

To achieve a Queensland free from domestic and family violence, all actions under [Queensland's Framework for Action—Reshaping our approach to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander domestic and family violence](#) (the Framework) are underpinned and guided by three foundational elements from the [Domestic and Family Violence Prevention Strategy 2016-2026](#):

- shifting community attitudes and behaviours
- enhancing service responses
- strengthening justice system responses.

To achieve the actions under the Framework the Department of Treaty, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Partnerships, Communities and the Arts is helping communities and services to deliver culturally appropriate support that addresses challenges specific to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander families and individuals. Place-based responses will be developed in partnership with community, service providers and other appropriate key stakeholders.

The Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Positive Relationship Grants 2024 will enable activities that promote Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander-led work that contributes to the elimination of domestic and family violence.

## Objectives

The objectives of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Positive Relationships Grants are to help communities:

- develop local responses to domestic and family violence.
- build skill sets that support the implementation of local responses to domestic and family violence and help foster positive relationships.
- raise community awareness of the incidence of domestic family violence and to promote strategies to lessen the impact on individuals.

## Who can apply

### Eligible applicants

There is a requirement for the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Positive Relationships Grants 2024 to be delivered by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander owned or controlled organisations. It is also preferred that Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander peoples are included in the design and delivery of the program or activity.

Eligible applicants must be one of the following:

- Aboriginal Corporations incorporated under the Corporations (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander) Act 2006 and administered by the Office of the Registrar of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Corporations [ORIC]
- Incorporated Associations incorporated under Queensland's Associations Incorporations Act 1981
- Incorporated Cooperatives incorporated under Queensland's Cooperatives Act 1997
- companies incorporated under the Corporations Act 2001 – must be not-for-profit company limited by shares or by guarantee or public companies:
- a company incorporated in Australia
- a company limited by guarantee
- an incorporated trustee on behalf of a trust
- an incorporated association
- a partnership
- a registered charity or not-for-profit organisation.

Applicants must have:

- an ABN and be registered for GST
- 'full legal capacity' to enter into an agreement with the Department of Treaty, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Partnerships, Communities and Arts.
- Applicants must not be bankrupt or subject to insolvency proceedings.

## Eligible locations

Eligible applicants have an opportunity to apply for a share in \$277,000 for community action planning and capacity building initiatives across the following locations:

1. Brisbane North
2. Redlands
3. Caboolture
4. Cairns
5. Cherbourg
6. Ipswich
7. Logan/Beenleigh
8. Mackay
9. Mount Isa
10. Townsville

## Eligible activities

The activity must be aligned with the objectives of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Positive Relationships Grants and delivered in collaboration with government and key stakeholders. Activities must be place-based, community-led and community co-designed.

### Eligible activities include:

Education, prevention and early intervention activities that empower community to identify, respond to the various forms of domestic and family violence and build capacity to foster positive family relationships.

- Culturally appropriate training, specific to domestic and family violence within Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities.
- Supporting and enhancing existing community leadership and community driven actions to support programs that are culturally appropriate and supportive.
- Activities or initiatives that promote and motivate community safety within Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities.
- Leading the co-design of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander initiatives with relevant stakeholders.
- Delivering cultural interventions that support victims of domestic and family violence and/or address behaviors of perpetrators.
- Reviving or scaling up programs/initiatives that have historically demonstrated successful outcomes within the community.

## Assessment

Applications will be assessed by a panel against the following elements:

### Program

- Address the program objectives.

- Align with at least one of the following eight key principles:
  - strengths-based approach
  - respectful relationships
  - culturally appropriate
  - co-design and collaboration
  - inclusive partnerships
  - community capacity-building
  - supportive and safe
  - activating sustainable community responses.
- Identify and demonstrate benefits to the community.
- Deliver benefits to one of the ten [eligible locations](#).
- Deliver all activities, events or projects in accordance with local cultural protocols.

### Governance

- Present and acquit a budget that identifies all expenses with individuals being appropriately remunerated for their cultural knowledge and time.
- Demonstrate community-led initiatives and designed process.
- Demonstrate capacity to deliver a project on time.
- Demonstrate capacity and suitable experience to deliver agreed outcomes.
- Demonstrate capacity to deliver all reporting documentation in line with the service agreement including financial acquittal.
- Demonstrate value for money and cost-effectiveness.
- Demonstrate in-kind or financial contributions towards the project.

### Key dates and actions

<b>Date</b>	<b>What happens on this date</b>
<i>6 March 2024</i>	Grants open on the SmartyGrants website (online program)
<i>27 March 2024</i>	Grants close. All applications to be submitted by 11.59pm (AEST) 27 March 2024
<i>As per Ministerial / or Department release</i>	Applicants advised of outcome

<b>Date</b>	<b>What happens on this date</b>
<i>When all required paperwork is submitted</i>	Programs can commence
<i>Within 12 months of acceptance of grant</i>	All programs must be completed and delivered
<i>Acquittal / Performance Report submitted</i>	At completion and delivery of program

### Successful applicants

All grant recipients will be required to:

- enter into, and comply with, a funding agreement and its terms and conditions
- acknowledge the Queensland Government funding with a Queensland Government crest on all promotional material associated with the funded event
- submit an Event and Financial (Acquittal) Report by the specified due date. Where there is unspent funding, the Department of Treaty, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Partnerships, Communities and the Arts may require you to refund the unspent funding
- immediately inform the Department of any proposed changes to the funded event, e.g. change in activities, dates, and locations.

### Submitting your application

Applications close at 11.59 pm (AEST) on Wednesday 27 March 2024.

You can lodge your application through the SmartyGrants website link which will be available from the [Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Positive Relationships Grants](#) web page, from Wednesday 6 March 2024.

Incomplete submissions or late applications will not be assessed and will be deemed ineligible.

### Acquittal process

When submitting an acquittal, you will need to provide us with a final report detailing the outcomes on how grant funds were spent.

## Promotional opportunities

The Department of Treaty, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Partnerships, Communities and the Arts and/or the Minister may contact grant applicants for any promotional and advertising purposes in relation to the 2024 Positive Relationships Grants.

## Contact us

For more information about the grants, the guidelines, terms and conditions and how to apply:

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