



2024 Grants & Philanthropic Funding

Equipment & Capacity Building

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About this resource

Museums & Galleries Queensland has compiled a listing of grant and philanthropic funding opportunities of interest to museums, galleries and other collecting institutions in Queensland.

Funds for 'Equipment & Capacity Building' could include the following:

- Equipment purchase or hire
- Renewable energy and sustainability
- Staff/Volunteer training
- Planning and governance
- Information technology and support

Disclaimer

This resource, created by Museums & Galleries Queensland, is intended as a starting point only and does not necessarily represent all levels or sources of funding available to any particular group. This information is also subject to change. Grant seekers should check the funding body's website and speak to a funding body representative before applying. This listing does not include: funding for film, television or radio projects; sponsorship opportunities; or funding for commercial/for-profit arts businesses.

GAMBLING COMMUNITY BENEFIT FUND

Queensland Government – Department of Justice and Attorney-General

Funds: \$500 – \$35,000

Closes: 29 February 2024

Purpose: Grants are allocated to not-for-profit community groups to enhance their capacity to provide services, leisure activities and opportunities for Queensland communities.

Eligible applicants: Applications must be from community-based organisations with not-for-profit objectives that is incorporated or registered as an act of parliament (or sponsored by an organisation incorporated or registered as an Act of Parliament).

Eligible projects: The Gambling Community Benefit Fund website lists funding priorities for each round. Check the website for updated details.

Priority 1: Items/facilities directly affected, damaged or destroyed by a declared natural disaster in the last 2 years

Priority 2: Equipment and facility improvements

Priority 3: Buses, cars, caravans, boats, tractors, trailers, large mowers, motorbikes and similar items

Priority 4: Community events, training, workshops, festivals, publications and website development

Priority 5: Organisations that have received a grant or grants from the GCBF of more than \$15,000 in the past two years.

Unlikely to be funded projects: Salaries and wages; administration expenses such as stationery, postage, office supplies; rent and lease costs; consumable items; uniforms; catering.

Ineligible projects: Grant writer fees, contingency costs, repayment of debts and loans, overseas travel costs, project management fees, gifts, funding for a staff or member social event.

Contact: Phone: 1800 633 619 Email: cbf@justice.qld.gov.au

Website: justice.qld.gov.au/initiatives/community-grants

GENERAL FUND

Queensland Gives by Queensland Community Foundation

Funds: Up to \$30,000

Closes: Check website for next round

Purpose: Focuses on organisational capacity building, assisting charities develop their structures, systems, people and skills in order to deliver improved outcomes.

Eligible applicants: Must be a charitable organisation and have Deductible Gift Recipient status (Item 1) in accordance with the requirements of the Australian Taxation Office.

Eligible projects: Generally, capacity building projects are broken down into the following areas:

- Education, training or accreditation of staff
- Recruiting, maintaining or recognising volunteers
- Information technology support systems and training
- Planning and governance which may include strategic plans, constitution reviews or board appraisals

Ineligible projects: Event or conference sponsorship, prizes or award ceremonies; general operating expenses such as salaries for existing staff and ongoing utility bills; debt payment.

Contact: Phone: 07 3360 3854 Email: enquiries@queenslandgives.org.au

Website: <https://queenslandgives.org.au/grants/general-fund-grant-making/>

LORD MAYOR'S COMMUNITY FUND

Brisbane City Council

Funds: \$250 – \$10,000

Closes: 14 June 2024, or when each ward has fully spent their allocated budget

Purpose: To support projects that build stronger communities in Brisbane. Projects must contribute to the Brisbane City Council's aspiration to be a friendly and safe, active and healthy, clean and green, or vibrant and creative city.

Eligible applicants: Applications for funding can be made by not-for-profit community organisations, or by Councillors.

Eligible projects: Community events, equipment hire towards a community event, community facility improvements and equipment.

Contact: Phone: 07 3403 8888 and ask to speak to the Grants Unit.

Website: brisbane.qld.gov.au/community-and-safety/grants-and-awards/community-grants/lord-mayors-community-fund

OUR COMMUNITY FUND

Energex

Funds: Up to \$10,000

Closes: Check website for next round

Purpose: To support new ideas that are innovative, encourage community identity and wellbeing or showcase solutions to problems we face as a society, whether it is through support for education, diversity and inclusion, renewable energy projects, energy and environmental conservation, electrical safety or by providing essential equipment and upgrading facilities.

Eligible applicants: Not-for-profit organisations and community groups in Queensland.

Eligible projects: Eligible projects could include those that:

- Solutions to local issues, stimulate local economic activity, support community identity and wellbeing, improve diversity and inclusion
- Provide lasting benefits to the local community such as educating kids about sustainability, providing emergency equipment or upgrading facilities
- Upgrade equipment to more energy efficient models
- Improve community safety by performing wiring safety checks or upgrading switchboards

Contact: Email: communityfund@energex.com.au

Website: energex.com.au/about-us/our-commitment/in-the-community/our-fund

MATCH LAB

Creative Partnerships Australia

Funds: Matched funding of up to \$10,000 per project

Closes: Check website for next round

Purpose: MATCH Lab is a matched funding program for independent artists and groups. It's for artists looking to run a fundraising campaign, and build their fundraising and arts business skills. It supports artists to increase their knowledge of philanthropy and arts partnerships, develop broader arts business knowledge and create sustainable sources of revenue for their work into the future.

Eligible applicants: MATCH Lab is for independent artists and groups. To be eligible, applicants must:

- Be a practicing artist or group of artists
- Be an Australian Citizen or permanent resident
- Be aged 18 years or over
- Have an ABN and be prepared to receive project funds; OR have an agreement in place with an auspicing body
- Be available to participate in the Raising Money for Your Art clinic
- Be prepared to run a fundraising campaign between the fundraising campaign window, specified in the guidelines

Ineligible applicants: MATCH Lab will not support:

- Arts organisations
- School groups or tertiary training institutions
- Previous participants of MATCH Lab
- Applicants who have previously received funding from us and have an outstanding acquittal or reporting, including through the Australian Cultural Fund
- An activity that has already taken place.

Eligible projects: MATCH Lab supports costs associated with development of new works, touring costs, paying artists, venue hire, recording, purchasing equipment – whatever your next creative endeavour is.

Contact: <https://creativepartnerships.gov.au/contact/>

Website: <https://creativepartnerships.gov.au/programs-services/funding-opportunities/match-lab/>

TELSTRA'S CONNECTED COMMUNITIES GRANT PROGRAM

Foundation for Rural Regional Renewal (FRRR)

Funds: \$200,000 available for grants up to \$10,000

Closes: Closes 27 March 2024

Purpose: Telstra's Connected Communities Grant Program will boost support for communities across remote, rural and regional Australia to improve resilience, environmental sustainability and liveability through the power of connection. The program seeks to foster:

- Resilient communities that are well prepared and socially connected when disaster strikes with the ability to renew and recover together;
- Sustainable communities that are diverse and inclusive, planning for the health, wellbeing, and prosperity of their people and the planet; and
- Liveable communities that have digital capability, and help to equip individuals with the skills to live, learn and work in a digital society.

Eligible applicants: To apply, you must meet the following criteria:

- Applicant 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;
- Project must be for charitable purposes and offer clear public benefit;
- Not-for profit organisations with or without DGR-1 endorsement are eligible;
- Organisations can submit one application per grant round; and
- Projects must benefit communities in remote, rural or regional Australia.

Ineligible applicants: You will be considered ineligible if:

- Application is submitted by individuals, sole traders, private or commercial businesses (as per the submitted ABN);
- Application is submitted by an organisation that is not a legal entity (i.e. a registered not-for-profit), without the written consent of the governing / partnering body who holds the ABN / Incorporation Certificate;
- Application is submitted without required financial documentation (see additional information on the second tab);
- Overdue final report/s from any FRRR grants awarded in the previous seven years have not been acquitted (delivery organisations should check with legal organisation to see if there are any outstanding final reports);
- Application is for a project or activity that has already occurred / is occurring prior to the announcement of funding;
- Application is incomplete.

Eligible projects: A broad range of charitable projects are considered under this program, including:

- Delivering, or providing activities, events, programs and services;
- Purchasing or hiring equipment and materials;
- Community infrastructure projects;
- Organisational capacity building; and
- Community resource development.

Contact: Phone: 1800 170 020 Email: info@frrr.org.au

Website: <https://frrr.org.au/funding/place/telstra-connected-communities-program/>

DIGITAL SPECIALIST IN-RESIDENCE

Creative Australia

Funds: \$3,000 seed funding to assisting in prototyping or piloting digitally led projects

Closes: Check website for next round

Purpose: This program provides arts organisations with access to a specialist to help them develop their digital capacity and pilot a new digitally led project. Over a period of fourteen weeks, the specialist will work with your organisation to:

- review your current digital capabilities
- identify areas for digital improvement
- interview and engage with key internal stakeholders
- explore new opportunities to expand digital activities
- develop a digital project tailored to the values, people and context of your organisation
- pilot program and evaluate learnings

Eligible applicants: The program invites a diverse range of organisations to apply, and the opportunity is open to applicants from any:

- art form or area of practice
- scale or size of organisation
- location in Australia, however organisations in regional or remote locations are particularly encouraged to apply
- main activity, including performing, producing, service or collecting
- existing level of digital readiness or capability

You are eligible to apply whether or not your organisation currently receives funding from the Creative Australia. Please note this program requires a commitment of eight hours a week over the fourteen-week period. Applicants who submitted in an earlier round are invited to apply again.

Ineligible applicants: Organisations who have participated in the Digital Strategist-in-Residence program are ineligible.

Contact: Phone: 02 9215 9036 Email: digital@creative.gov.au

Website: <https://creative.gov.au/investment-and-development/digital-culture-program/digital-specialist-in-residence/#:~:text=The%20Digital%20Specialist%2Din%2DResidence,a%20new%20digitally%20led%20project.>

PLUS1

Creative Partnerships Australia

Funds: Matched fundraising for up to \$25,000 or \$50,000 depending on the size of the organisation

Closes: Check website for next round

Purpose: Plus1 is a dollar-for-dollar matched fundraising program, designed to boost the fundraising efforts of small to medium not-for-profit arts organisations. Plus1 supports not-for-profit arts and cultural organisations to develop and run more effective fundraising campaigns, boost their fundraising skills and secure new backers.

Eligible applicants: Plus1 is for small-to-medium organisations in Australia's arts industry. Creative Partnerships Australian define eligible organisations as those that:

- are a legally constituted entity (with an ABN) and are registered as a not-for-profit organisation (as defined by the Australian Taxation Office)
- have an annual turnover of less than \$5 million in the previous financial year
- are based in Australia, and are carrying out the majority of their arts activity or practice within Australia
- are operating with the primary purpose of providing arts and cultural opportunities for Australian artists and audiences

Eligible projects: The project or activity that will be funded through your Plus1 fundraising campaign is entirely up to the applicant. It can include, but is not limited to:

- Employment of artists or arts/culture workers (new contracts or continued employment of existing staff)
- Core operational costs
- Creating and presenting new works. For example, artist's fees, creative development, production, marketing, and touring costs
- Program initiatives. For example, education programs and/or scholarship opportunities
- Employment of new staff. For example, an artistic director, business development manager, or fundraising and marketing staff
- Fundraising support. For example, campaign expenses, customer relationship management, and IT software and hardware
- Capital works or building upgrades.

Contact: <https://creativepartnerships.gov.au/contact/>

Website: <https://creativepartnerships.gov.au/programs-services/funding-opportunities/plus1/>

ARTS SUPPORT PROGRAM

Governance Institute of Australia

Funds: Check website for details

Closes: 31 January 2024. Check website for next round

Purpose: Governance Institute of Australia's Arts Support Program aims to empower leaders in the arts community through training and professional development in essential governance and risk management skills.

Eligible projects: In 2024, arts organisations have the opportunity to apply for scholarships for two of the Governance Institute's leading courses: the Effective Director Course and a Certificate in Governance and Risk Management.

Contact: Email: leanne.ryan@governanceinstitute.com.au

Website: <https://www.governanceinstitute.com.au/about-governance-institute/arts-support-program/>