



COMPASSIONATE COMMUNITIES GRANT GUIDELINES 2024

We're building stronger communities by turning intention into good. Community is the most significant source of life for all of us. We foster generosity and facilitate the connection between those who want to give and those seeking to make change for the better.



CRITICAL DATES

APPLICATIONS OPEN: **2 September 2024**

APPLICATIONS CLOSE: **11 October 2024**

OUTCOME NOTIFICATIONS: **20 November 2024**

GRANT STAGES

- 1 Grant round opens for applicants
- 2 Board review and decisions made
- 3 Applicants notified

TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR A GRANT, ORGANISATIONS MUST MEET THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA:

- Have a Mission consistent with the purpose of the Proveda Foundation.
- Be a charitable organisation currently recognised by the Australian Charities and Not-for-Profit Commission (ACNC).
- Have current Deductible Gift Recipient (1) status under the Income Tax Assessment Act 1997. Applicants must not have received notice or information that its tax statuses have been revoked, modified, suspended or superseded by ATO action.*
- Deliver a significant/meaningful proportion of their work to people that reside in the Northern Sydney region.
- Have a reputation for credibility and integrity.
- An annual turnover (donations, funding or other) of \$1,000,000 or less.
- Demonstrated sustainability over at least 3 years.
- Provide information, advice, services and/or programs that aim to strengthen a person's connection to community.
- Commit to receiving ongoing support from the Community Capital Champions©, the Foundation's committed volunteer partners who work with recipients to support the execution of the grant funding.

*We will consider an application under an auspice arrangement with an organisation with DGR1.



WHAT WILL NOT BE FUNDED

As grant-giving is limited, each application is reviewed and evaluated against the Foundation's eligibility criteria. Applications that do not meet this criteria will not receive grant support. To further clarify what types of applications are appropriate, the listing below describes areas that the Foundation does not support:

- Once-off sponsorships
- Competitions, events, tournaments etc
- Religious organisations
- Government-owned or managed organisations or institutions
- Political activities, causes, candidates, organisations or campaigns including direct or grass roots lobbying
- Grants to individuals in any form
- Purchase of any capital items
- Organisations that discriminate on any basis, including but not limited to race, religion and/or sexual orientation



HOW TO APPLY

In previous grant rounds, applications have exceeded funding available. We expect this to continue, and encourage interested organisations to discuss their project idea with us before applying to ensure eligibility.

Follow these three steps to apply:

- Read these [Grant Guidelines](#) in detail.
- Access our Grants Application portal via Microsoft Forms using the link available on our grant page from 2 September 2024.
- If you have any questions, please send a short text with your details to 0416 407 742, mention this grant and we will get back to you promptly.

Please fill in the application titled "2024 Grants - Round 5 Compassionate Communities" and submit by 11:59 PM on Friday, 11 October, 2024.

We use an online grant management system to manage grant applications. The Foundation will only consider applications submitted via this system.



FAQS

How much can I apply for?

Our grants typically range from \$5,000 - \$50,000. Larger or smaller grants are at the discretion of The Proveda Foundation's Board of Directors and based on the merits of the project. Please note in your application how much you need to achieve your outcomes.

We're not really known for running programs for suicide bereavement - would we qualify?

Yes! We would love to hear from organisations working within the community that wants to develop their capacity to support individuals bereaved by suicide and have an idea on how to do it.

Are there any priorities that you have that I should be aware of?

We are particularly interested in programs demonstrating the following:

- Development of innovative programs that help destigmatize conversations about suicide and suicide bereavement as well as involve and educate the greater community, such as workplaces and schools, on how to talk about this issue.
- Primarily support those affected by suicide in the Northern Sydney region in a respectful and inclusive way, promoting harm minimisation.

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Will you give me feedback on my application if I am unsuccessful?

Yes, we hope to. We are committed to supporting all charitable endeavours and understand that feedback can be very valuable. If you would like to check to see whether you fit our guidelines before you put in the work to fill out the application, you are welcome to book a 20 min conversation with one of our dedicated team members.

Will you contact me if there are problems/questions about our application?

Yes, you will receive a notification via the email provided on your application.

You mention short-listed candidates will be contacted for further information. Why is this?

We realise that often grant applications can take up much time and effort. Therefore, we have decided to streamline the application process in a more user-friendly, transparent way.

Is there anything else I need to know before deciding to apply?

We are committed to selecting organisations that have strong foundations so before we approve a grant, applicants are assessed for governance (membership and skills), service provision (experience, future scale, track record) and finally, financials, such as budgets and audits.

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Who do I contact if I'm having trouble using or submitting an application form?

Please text us on 0416 407 742 or email our team at foundation@proveda.com.au

Will you consider a joint application with another organisation?

Yes, however we do not give partnerships additional weighting in our final decision.

Do we need to deliver the program in a particular timeframe?

We are committed to supporting small, grassroots organisations and understand that program delivery can be impacted by many factors. We request that programs commence within 6 months of the grant being approved.

What if we do not currently deliver a significant/meaningful proportion of our work to people that reside in the Northern Sydney Region?

If the program or project you intend to deliver benefits those bereaved by suicide in the region, that's fine. We encourage all applications and will review each on its individual strength and merit.



At Proveda Foundation, we're building stronger communities by facilitating connection between those who want to give and charities working at the grassroots level in local communities.

Proveda Foundation (formerly known as the Community Capital Foundation) was founded as a public ancillary Fund in 2020 by Community Care Northern Beaches. We are proud of our North Sydney and Northern Sydney heritage.

What we aim to achieve:

Produce meaningful change of social issues through awareness and activity.

Foster generosity and facilitate connection between those who want to give and those seeking to make change for the better.

Build stronger communities by augmenting smaller, not-for-profits and empowering citizen engagement.



In the spirit of reconciliation, Proveda Foundation acknowledges the traditional custodians of country throughout Australia and their connections to land, sea and community. We pay our respects to their elders past and present and extend that respect to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples today. We support the Uluru statement from the heart, to achieve justice, recognition, and respect for First Nations People. We walk together for a better future.