

The E-grants newsletter aims to provide individuals and community groups within the region of the Outback Communities Authority with an update on grants that are open.

## Department of Environment and Water – Government Owned Heritage Fund (GOHF) 2024-2025

The GOHF supports the conservation of government-owned State Heritage-listed Places, through the provision of professional and financial assistance.

Grant funding can be applied for conservation work or documentation, with the objectives being to:

- provide financial incentive to conserve and manage State Heritage Places.
- provide heritage advice to assist Agencies to deliver projects to a high standard.
- support Agencies to develop conservation documentation and asset surveys for all State Heritage Places.
- maximise conservation works that enhance the public realm to benefit the wider community.

For further information visit: [Home Page - SA Department for Environment and Water \(smartygrants.com.au\)](https://smartygrants.com.au)

*Submissions close 2pm Thursday, 12 September 2024 (ACST).*

## Celebrate Together Grants

Celebrate Together Grants provide one-off funding to eligible multicultural organisations for festivals and events that celebrate multiculturalism and diversity and support an inclusive and cohesive society. There are matched funding requirements for applicants requesting more than \$5,000.

There are two categories under the Celebrate Together Grant:

- small Grants (up to \$5,000)
- large Grants (between \$5001 and \$30,000)

For further information visit: [Celebrate Together Grants | Department of the Premier and Cabinet \(dpc.sa.gov.au\)](https://dpc.sa.gov.au)

*Round two applications close Sunday, 15 September 2024.*

## AIS Women Leaders in Sport – Individual grants

The Australian Sports Commission (ASC) supports women who work across all roles in sport and supports those eager to develop their skills and knowledge.

The WLIS Individual Grant Program is designed to support all women from community volunteers to senior executives and boards, to access professional development opportunities, develop specialist skills and enhance existing skills in areas specific to their stage in their leadership journey.

Some of the courses undertaken to date have aligned with the below topics:

- Leadership
- Governance
- Career coaching
- Coaching and officiating
- Media and communications
- Workforce/human relations
- Finance
- Integrity
- Sport science, technology, engineering, mathematics, medicine (STEMM)

For further information visit: [Individual grants | Australian Sports Commission \(sportaus.gov.au\)](https://sportaus.gov.au)

*Applications close at 5pm (AEST) Sunday 17 September 2024.*

## Landcare Australia Community Grants Program

Landcare Australia Community Grants provides funding for all landcare and community groups across Australia that embrace the landcare ethos, including Landcare, Bushcare, Dunecare, Coastcare and “Friends of” groups Traditional Owners and First Nations organisations, youth environmental groups and networks (ages 18+).

This grant program aims to support and celebrate groups that have and continue to make a significant contribution to caring for our environment across Australia. Applications are open to projects that address priority issues, and may include educational workshops, restoring essential wildlife habitat, shelterbelts and fences, protecting our waterways, managing weeds and feral animals, working with Traditional Owners and First Nations organisations, hosting local community workshops, or purchasing plants and equipment, creating signage, amongst other landcare activities.

For further information visit: [Landcare Australia Community Grants Program 2024 - Landcare Australia Landcare Australia](#)

*Applications close on Friday, 20 September 2024.*

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## South Australian Tourism Commission – Experience Development Program

The program is designed to support local tourism operators to develop and sell their latest new tour, accommodation or experience idea.

Designed to provide tourism businesses with the tools they need to deliver world class tourism offerings, the program will support up to 20 operators across the state, available at no charge to the business. Two people per participating business can take part. Intake two will run from October to December 2024.

You will be required to upload a copy of your Business Plan during the application process and agree to the [Terms and Conditions of Enrolment](#).

For further information visit: [Experience Development Program | Tourism SA](#)

*Expressions of Interest (EOI) submissions are open now until 5pm Friday 20 September 2024.*

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## Community Led Climate Solutions

The Community Led Climate Solutions Grant Program supports not-for-profit organisations across remote, rural and regional Australia to drive local climate solutions that reduce emissions through education, engagement and action on:

- clean energy;
- circular economies;
- decarbonisation;
- sustainable agriculture and food systems;
- biodiverse ecosystems; or
- just transitions.

The Program is collaboratively funded by donors committed to enabling communities to address the impacts of climate change locally for positive and sustainable environmental, social and economic outcomes, with round 1 of the program providing grants of up to \$20,000 for a range of initiatives that can help by achieving one of the following objectives:

1. Drive engagement, education, and leadership in remote, rural, and regional climate solutions;
2. Activate locally led opportunities to advance: the clean energy transition, climate adaptation, decarbonisation, or circular economies;
3. Support just transitions\* to clean energy economies to help communities thrive.

For further information visit: [Community Led Climate Solutions | FRRR](#)

*Round 2 closes 5pm AEST Thursday, 26 September 2024.*

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## History Trust of South Australia – Museums and Collections (MaC) Grant

The MaC grants are available only to community history organisations that are members of the MaC Program. A wide range of projects that help your organisation care for, document, present and share collections and local history can be funded.



For further information visit: [Grants | History Trust of South Australia](#)

*Applications close Wednesday, 2 October 2024.*

## Community Centres Grant Round

This funding opportunity offers a one-off grant of up to \$30,000 for eligible Community Centres to:



- Develop programs for their local community to increase community participation and inclusion by delivering activities and events which respond to community need.
- Build their governance and compliance capacity including to develop or strengthen partnerships or collaboration with other community organisations to deliver community development objectives.

For further information, including the guidelines can be found at: [Community Centres Grant Round | DHS](#)

*Applications close Wednesday, 2 October 2024.*

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## Government of South Australia – Arts and Culture Grants Program

Arts SA connects the arts and culture sector in South Australia with financial support for a range of activities.

The Arts and Culture Grants Program consists of the following categories:

- [Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Grants](#)
- [Grants for Individuals, Groups, Organisations](#)
- [Funded Organisations](#)
- [Richard Llewellyn Dear and Disability Grants](#)
- [Awards](#)

*Rounds close at 5pm Monday, 7 October 2024.*

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## RAA Regional Safety Grants

RAA's Regional Safety Grants improve the lives of South Australians in regional communities and are designed to enhance the safety and security of South Australia's regional areas and communities. They also provide opportunities for the local community to implement a project, program or activity targeting local safety and/or security issues.

Applications can be applied for a minimum value of \$500 (incl GST) to a maximum value of \$10,000.

Groups that are eligible to apply for funding must be regional\* and include:

- not-for-profit organisations
- schools
- community groups

\*refer to page 6 of the application guidelines for more information.

For further information visit: [Regional Safety Grants – Helping create a safer SA | RAA](#)

*Applications close on Tuesday, 8 October 2024.*

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## Growing Regions Program

The Australian Government has committed \$600 million over four years, commencing in 2023-24 for the Growing Regions Program to deliver investment in infrastructure across Australia's regional, rural and remote areas.

The program provides funding of between \$500,000 and \$15 million to local government entities and incorporated not-for-profit organisations for capital works projects that will enhance liveability, bolster social cohesion and support local amenity throughout Australia's regions.

The types of projects that would deliver on the objectives and intended outcomes of the program include:

- multi-purpose community hubs, youth centres, community sheds and gardens
- libraries and cultural facilities such as creative centres
- sports and recreational facilities
- town centre revitalisation, bike or walking paths, play spaces and green spaces
- multi-use centres that a large part of the community can use to access a number of different activities or services such as a centre that provides childcare, a pharmacy, library and a shared meeting space.

All activities must be strategically aligned to regional priorities and benefit a broad section of the community. This will need to be addressed through the assessment criteria

Growing Regions Program Round 2 – guidelines can be found at: [Growing Regions Program Round 2 – Program Guidelines \(infrastructure.gov.au\)](https://www.infrastructure.gov.au/growing-regions-program-round-2-program-guidelines)

For further information visit: [Growing Regions Program | Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communications and the Arts](https://www.infrastructure.gov.au/growing-regions-program-round-2-program-guidelines)



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Department of Infrastructure, Transport,  
Regional Development, Communications and the Arts

*Applications close 5pm AEST, Thursday 10 October 2024.*

### ABC Future Fund

The ABC Future Fund is a registered public fund administered by ABC Foundation Ltd and its primary aim is to provide funding to support ABC Foundation's On-Country programs in line with its strategic plan. Funding for small one-off community events will also be made available.

As a Community Partner of ABC Foundation your organisation will have the ability to apply for funding, based on availability, to deliver ABC Foundation's On-Country programs with a focus on either On-Country Education, On-Country Care or On-Country Research and Development.

The ABC Future Fund seeks increase their National regional footprint through embedding our community-led On-Country programs within our partnering organisations, providing an independent funding source to achieve our collective social impact.

Eligible applicants, predominantly Aboriginal organisations with an ABN, can access funding for projects aligned with the Future Fund focus areas, such as On-Country Education, On-Country Care, and On-Country Research and Development. The fund also offers small one-off event grants, providing financial support of up to \$2,500 per applicant for community-centered activities.

For further information, including eligibility criteria visit: [Future Fund | ABC Foundation \(abcau.com.au\)](https://www.abcau.com.au/future-fund).

*Applications close Friday, 18 October 2024.*

### Long Tan Bursary

Applications are now open to eligible children and grandchildren of Vietnam veterans, who can apply for up to \$12,000 over 3 years to assist with the cost of their education.

Each year 37 bursaries are awarded to successful applicants across Australia. Each bursary is worth up to \$12,000 over 3 years of continuous full-time study.

The Long Tan Bursary scheme is named after the Battle of Long Tan, the best-known battle fought by Australians during the Vietnam War.

For further information visit: [Long Tan Bursary | Department of Veterans' Affairs \(dva.gov.au\)](https://www.dva.gov.au/long-tan-bursary)

*Applications close Thursday, 31 October 2024.*

### Local Sporting Champion Round 2

The Local Sporting Champions program provides financial assistance for coaches, officials and competitors aged 12-18 participating in state, national or international championships.



If successful, applicants will receive \$500-\$750 towards the cost of attending their championships.

- Base Grant: \$500
- Applicants travelling 800km - 1999km to their nominated championships: + \$100
- Applicants travelling internationally or greater than 2000km to their nominated championships: + \$200
- Applicants residing in a rural electorate: + \$50

For further information visit: [Local Sporting Champions | Australian Sports Commission \(sportaus.gov.au\)](https://www.sportaus.gov.au/local-sporting-champions)

*Applications close Thursday, 31 October 2024.*

### **Connellan Airways Trust Grant**

Connellan Airways grants can be used to fund a diverse range of activities. Specific projects, travel costs, education and skill building, technology (communications), community experiences, and an array of other possibilities that align with the vision of the Connellan Airways trust. Grants are open to people who live and work in outback Australia and organisations supporting people who live in outback Australia.

For further information visit: [Online Grants for outback Australians - Connellan Airways Trust](#)

*Applications close by the 15 February, May, August, and November each year.*

### **Wettenhall Environment Trust**

Wettenhall Environmental Grants support projects about flora and fauna conservation around Australia. The project should involve any of the following:

- monitoring, recording and sharing data
- delivering community education
- providing community capacity building (e.g. training)
- research and training

For further information visit: [Small Environmental Grant Scheme – Wettenhall Environment Trust](#)

*Applications close at 5pm (ACDT) on Friday 29 November 2024, or when funding is exhausted (whichever occurs sooner).*

### **Economic Recovery Fund (ERF)**

If you're a small business or not-for-profit organisation, you could soon apply for grants to help you invest in more energy efficient equipment or make improvements that enhance your energy usage and cost. Grants will range from \$2,500 up to \$50,000 in matched contribution.

The Program supports eligible small businesses and not-for-profits to invest in energy efficient equipment or improvements to reduce and manage energy use and costs. The support may aid businesses to:

- adopt more energy efficient practices
- provide environmentally friendly products and services
- avoid and reduce waste
- adopt new technologies and processes.

The Program is administered by the Office for Small and Family Business (the 'OSFB') within the Department of State Development (the 'Department'), on behalf of the Treasurer.

For further information visit: [Small Business Energy Grants | Small and Family Business](#)

*Applications close Friday, 29 November 2024.*

### **Strengthening Rural Communities – Small & Vital (Round 23)**

The Strengthening Rural Communities (SRC) Small & Vital stream gives small remote, rural and regional communities across Australia the opportunity to access funds for a broad range of initiatives that directly and clearly benefit local communities.

Grants up to \$10,000 are available for a broad range of grassroots, community-led initiatives that directly and clearly benefit local communities that strengthen local people, places and climate solutions, with a preference for smaller communities (populations under 15,000).

FRRR's Small & Vital program supports thriving, resilient, and sustainable remote, rural and regional communities across Australia. In particular, priority will be given to projects that:

- Support communities to implement generational transition;
- Invest in outback, remote, and less resourced communities;
- Build capacity and resourcing for a just and equitable energy transition;
- Support First Nations-led initiatives that strengthen culture, country, economic participation, and reconciliation.

For further information visit: [Strengthening Rural Communities — Small & Vital | FRRR](#)



*Applications close Thursday, 5 December 2024.*

## ANZAC Day Commemoration Fund

Under the ANZAC Day Commemoration Act 2005, funding may only be applied to specific purposes. Grants from the Fund in 2024-2025 can be used for:

- projects conducted by an organisation established for the purpose of helping or supporting, or having a membership consisting of or including veterans or the spouses, domestic partners, children or other dependants of veterans (such as an ex-service organisation),
- projects with the purpose of educating the community about the significance of Australia's military history,
- projects with the purpose of conducting services to commemorate Australia's military history.

For further information visit: [Anzac Day Commemoration Fund – Veterans SA](#)

*Applications close at 5pm ACDT, 31 December 2024.*

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## NewAccess for Small Business Owners

Beyond Blue's NewAccess for Small Business Owners (NASBO) is a guided self-help mental health coaching program. It is free, confidential and convenient. Available nationally by phone or video call, no GP referral is required.

All mental health coaches are specially trained and have small business background.

For further information and to submit an enquiry visit: [NewAccess for Small Business Owners \(NASBO\) - Beyond Blue - Beyond Blue](#)



*Closing date: Tuesday, 31 December 2024.*

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## Arts and Culture Grants Program

Arts South Australia connects the arts and culture sector in South Australia with financial support for a range of activities.

Grants are available to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, individuals, groups and organisations. Spanning art forms and areas of practice, funding supports professional artists and arts organisations to develop, make work and engage with audiences. Investment in the sector also assists in building partnerships and creative collaborations which enhance South Australia's longstanding reputation as a place for arts and culture.

For further information visit: [Arts and Culture Grants Program | Department of the Premier and Cabinet \(dpc.sa.gov.au\)](#)

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## Rural And Regional Enterprise Scholarships Program

The Rural and Regional Enterprise Scholarship Program improves access to and completion of tertiary education courses. The scholarships are open to students from regional and remote areas in Australia.



For further information visit: [Rural and Regional Enterprise Scholarships Program - Scholarships - Intranet - University of South Australia \(unisa.edu.au\)](#)

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## Mazda Foundation

The Mazda Foundation was established in 1990 as a public charitable trust to provide assistance to a broad cross-section of worthy charitable entities and causes throughout Australia which qualify for income tax deductibility for gifts.

Foundation Priorities:

- **Primary Producers facing Hardship**  
Community based organisations with project supporting primary producers facing hardship
- **Literacy and Numeracy**  
Programs addressing literacy and numeracy issues amongst primary school aged children, especially remedial programs for children from disadvantaged areas.

For further information visit: [Australian Community Charity Projects | Mazda Foundation](#)

*Project Notification received by the Foundation will be considered at the Foundation's Board meetings held in April and October.*

## Saluting Their Service (STS) Commemorative Grants Program

The Saluting Their Service (STS) Commemorative Grants Program is designed to commemorate the service and sacrifice of Australia's service personnel in wars, conflicts and peace operations, and their families. Up to \$3.5 million is available each financial year for distribution, split across three batches throughout the year.

The intended outcome of the grant opportunity is to provide funding for projects and activities that:

- promote appreciation and understanding of the experiences of service and the roles that those who serve have played
- preserve, add to the sum of knowledge on, or provide access to information about Australia's wartime heritage.

### Community Grants (CG)

Grants to a maximum of \$10,000 are available for community-based commemorative projects and activities. These small grants are for projects and activities that are focused on the local community, commemorate the service and sacrifice of local community members, and are primarily accessed by the local community.

Examples of CG projects and activities include:

- development of an Honour Roll
- restoration of an existing local War Memorial
- supply and installation of a cabinet to display military memorabilia
- installation of flagpoles

Major Grants (MG): Grants between \$10,001 and \$150,000 are available for major commemorative projects and activities that are significant from a national, state, territory and/or regional perspective. MG grants will have a much wider focus than CG category applications and must be commemorative of the service and sacrifice of service personnel beyond the local community, and/or consist of elements that are available to the whole nation, or residents of a state, territory, or regional area. If your project has a high monetary value, it does not necessarily mean that it is considered an MG.

For further information visit: [Saluting Their Service \(STS\) Commemorative Grants Program | Department of Veterans' Affairs \(dva.gov.au\)](#)

*Applications close 9.00pm Tuesday, 5 February 2025 AEDT.*

## Veterans SA Capacity Building Grant Fund

Applicants can seek grants of up to \$5,000 (ex GST) for projects that help strengthen the governance of ex-service organisations to lead, develop, support and advocate for their communities. A maximum of \$25,000 in grant funding is available for distribution in the 2024-2025 financial year.

Examples of eligible projects include:

- leadership and governance training for board or committee members
- temporary project staff salaries or consultant costs to assist in developing a plan or strategy (e.g. strategic plan, communication/social media strategy)
- training and skills development (e.g. grant writing skills, volunteer management training, financial management training)
- development of a website or app to make services more accessible to the community.

For further information visit: [Veterans SA Capacity Building Grant Fund – Veterans SA](#)

*Applications close Saturday, 31 May 2025.*

## Veterans SA Commemorative Services Grant Fund

Applicants can seek grants of up to \$1,000 (ex GST) for expenses that directly relate to the coordination, management and delivery of commemorative services within South Australia. A maximum of \$15,000 in grant funding is available for distribution in the 2024-2025 financial year.

Examples of eligible expenses include:

- venue (hire fees)
- equipment and furniture hire (AV, lighting, marquees, chairs)
- catering
- security
- advertising and marketing such as flyers, booklets and posters.

For further information visit: [Veterans SA Commemorative Services Grant Fund – Veterans SA](#)  
*Applications close Saturday, 31 May 2025.*

### Sheep and goat eID implementation essential equipment rebate (producers)

To assist with the implementation of electronic identification (eID) for sheep and goats, South Australian producers can apply for a rebate on the costs of equipment needed to conduct and report property to property (P2P) movements under the National Livestock Identification System (NLIS).

Eligible producers can apply for up to 75% of the cost of essential equipment. The maximum amount you can apply for is determined by the average head movement to your property from another property (P2P) during the past 3 years (2021 to 2023):

- up to \$500 for 100 or less animals annually
- up to \$2,000 for 101 to 5,000 animals annually
- up to \$20,000 for more than 5,000 animals annually.

The rebate is open to South Australian sheep and farmed goat producers who:

- have an active [property identification code \(PIC\)](#)
- have an active NLIS database account linked to their PIC.

You must be able to provide evidence of purchases and recent livestock movement. The rebate excludes:

- equipment purchased prior to 8 June 2023
- equipment listed as ineligible in section 3 of the guidelines.

For further information visit: [SA.GOV.AU - Sheep and goat eID implementation essential equipment rebate \(producers\) \(www.sa.gov.au\)](#)

*Applications close 5pm (ACST) 30 June 2025.*

### SA Boating Facilities Fund

Boat owners who would like improvements made to the facilities they regularly use should approach their local council, which has the expertise to prepare a detailed funding assistance application. An applicant applying for funding to assist with the construction of new boating facilities must commit to the on-going ownership and maintenance of the facility. Eligible boating projects are either the establishment of new or the upgrade of existing facilities and may include a boat ramp, a wharf or pontoons.

Who can apply?

- local Government
- state government departments
- community groups
- statutory authorities responsible for recreational boating facilities

For further information visit: [How to Apply - Department for Infrastructure and Transport - South Australia \(dit.sa.gov.au\)](#)

*Refer to the website for closing dates.*

## ONGOING GRANTS

### Clubs SA – Sponsorship Assistance Program

The Sponsorship Assistance Program provides assistance to those sectors in the community that may be 'disadvantaged', for community-based projects by not-for-profit organisations, and sporting and community clubs.

For further information visit: [Funding - Clubs SA - Licensed Clubs' Association of South Australia](#)

*Applications for this funding program are accepted each month and are vetted by Clubs SA's Board before recommendations are passed on to the IGC Board.*

### AgBiz Drought Loans

AgBiz Drought Loans provide loans for small businesses located in a drought affected regions that directly supply goods or services relating to primary production to farm businesses to help them manage through a recover from drought. Loans of up to \$500,000 over a period of 10 years are available. The first 5 years will be interest only, followed by 5 years principal and interest.



To be eligible, you must be:

- a small business directly providing primary production related goods and services to farm businesses in a drought-affected community.
- running a viable business and able to make the repayments after the 5 years interest free period.

For further information visit: [AgBiz Drought Loan - Regional Investment Corporation \(ric.gov.au\)](https://ric.gov.au)



*Applications are ongoing.*

### Farm Household Allowance Program

Farm household allowance (FHA) provides assistance to farming families experiencing financial hardship. This program focuses on helping farmers make important decisions to improve their long-term financial situation.

The support available includes:

- a fortnightly payment for up to 4 years in each specific 10-year period
- individual case support with a farm household case officer
- up to \$10,000 in [activity supplements](#) that gives farmers an opportunity to develop skills, access training and pay for professional advice to better manage their business into the future.

For further information, including eligibility criteria visit: [Farm Household Allowance - Services Australia](#)

*Applications are ongoing.*

### Office for Early Childhood Development

South Australian residents studying Australian Children's Education and Care Quality Authority (ACECQA) eligible [early childhood qualifications](#) can now access financial support to offset costs related to their study.

The QualifySA in Early Childhood Financial Support Program explained on this page is available to school leavers, career changers, existing students studying eligible early childhood qualifications, and educators looking to upskill.

There are three Streams to the QualifySA in Early Childhood Program:

- teacher support
- educator support
- aboriginal pathways

For further information and eligibility criteria visit: [Financial support | Office for Early Childhood Development](#)

### \$100 Sport Vouchers Program

The Sports Voucher Program provides a discount of up to \$100 on sport, dance or learn to swim fees for children living in South Australia.

*Sports vouchers will double to two \$100 vouchers per child, per year from 1 January 2025. The voucher will also be expanded to include music lessons.*



For further information visit: [Home - Sports Vouchers](#)

### Roger Rasheed Sport Foundation

The Roger Rasheed Sport Foundation welcomes ideas and interaction from coaches, teachers, parents or anyone who believes sport can be a life changing experience for children.

For further information visit: [What We Do - Roger Rasheed Sports Foundation](#)

### School Student Broadband Initiative (SSBI)

The Australian Government aims to narrow the digital divide by providing up to 30,000 eligible families with no internet at home a free National Broadband Network (NBN) service.

Originally a 12-month commitment, the initiative has been extended, to allow:

- the period in which a family can nominate to receive a free service is up to 31 December 2024
- the duration of free services will continue until 31 December 2025 for all existing and new families

To check your eligibility, contact the National Referral Centre on 1800 954 610 (Mon-Fri, 10am – 6pm AEDT)  
[www.anglicarevic.org.au/student-internet](http://www.anglicarevic.org.au/student-internet)

For further information visit: [School Student Broadband Initiative \(SSBI\) | Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communications and the Arts](#)

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### Thriving Regions Fund

The Thriving Regions Fund is a \$15 million commitment per annum, to support projects that enable regional industries to grow jobs and strengthen regional communities.

The long-term outcomes from investment through the Thriving Regions Fund are identified as:

- improved quality of life for regional communities
- thriving, resilient and sustainable regional communities that attract and retain people to live and work
- pipeline of regional leaders providing a voice for their regions
- regions creating job opportunities and improved career options by capitalising on regional growth potential
- stronger regional economies

The Thriving Regions Fund will have multiple programs with different opening dates and information will be added here. Contact your local [Principal Regional Advisors - PIRSA](#)

For further information visit: [Thriving Regions Fund - PIRSA](#)

The Office of the Hon Clare Scriven MLC: E: [Minister.Scriven@sa.gov.au](mailto:Minister.Scriven@sa.gov.au)

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### Strengthening Industries Program

The Strengthening Industries Program supports primary or regional industries impacted by significant supply chain disruptions, market access constraints or changes to the operating environment.

Where it can be demonstrated, funds will support projects that have broad sectoral or regional benefit. They may assist with protection of products, services and employment. PIRSA will assess applications to the Strengthening Industries Program individually and make recommendations to the Minister accordingly.

Through this program, the Government recognises the importance of industries that support our regions to thrive.

For further information, contact your local [PIRSA regional coordinator](#) or the Office of the Hon Clare Scriven MLC, E: [Minister.Scriven@sa.gov.au](mailto:Minister.Scriven@sa.gov.au)

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### AgRi-Silience Program

Get subsidised access to leading advisers who will deliver both on-farm support and group workshop learning to prepare you and your business to bounce back in the face of adverse climate and other challenges through the AgRi-Silience program, a Livestock SA project. This project is part of the Farm Business Resilience Program and is jointly funded through the Australian Government's Future Drought Fund and the Government of South Australia.

The program will help you and your staff:

- improve your financial literacy and, in the process, learn new ways to build the financial viability of your business
- become more confident in decision-making by conducting risk assessments
- learn new skills and techniques to build your own personal resilience, helping you to concentrate on the business at hand rather than dwell on negatives
- become high-performing contributors regarding decision making and operations

Participants will finish the program with a Resilience Roadmap, which will help you build resilience and boost productivity, profitability and sustainability over the long-term. The training will be individually tailored to your business to ensure you get maximum value from the program.

For further information visit: [AgRi-Silience Program | Livestock SA](#)

## Retailer Energy Productivity Scheme

The Retailer Energy Productivity Scheme (REPS) is an energy productivity scheme by the SA Government. The REPS provides incentives for households and businesses to save energy. There is a focus on low-income households. There is a range of REPS activities that may be offered to customers by obliged energy retailers.

Activities include the installation of:

- energy-efficient lighting
- water-saving showerheads
- hot water upgrades
- air conditioner upgrades
- energy-efficient appliances such as a fridge, freezer, or clothes dryer

Households and businesses can access REPS activities by contacting any of the obliged retailers regardless of who they have an energy contract with, or by contacting any of the third-party providers.

For further information visit: [Retailer Energy Productivity Scheme | energy.gov.au](https://energy.gov.au)

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## Travel Allowance for Rural and Regional SA Businesses hiring and training apprentices

Allowances are available to cover the costs incurred by employers when apprentices and trainees are required to travel long distances to a Nominated Training Organisation (NTO) that delivers their qualification.

Travel and accommodation allowances include:

- intrastate travel – 30c per kilometre for the shortest practical route
- interstate travel – calculated at a set rate based on an economy airfare
- intrastate accommodation – \$60 a day
- interstate accommodation – \$110 per day for pre-approved training delivered in other states.

For further information visit: [Travel and Accommodation Allowance SA | business.gov.au](https://business.gov.au)

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## Free Mentoring Support for First Nations Tourism Businesses (FNTMP)

The FTMP provide First Nations tourism businesses with access to free, tailored and one-on-one mentoring services from experienced tourism industry professionals.

There are a range of supports, including:

- A business diagnostic to help identify your needs
- One-on-one mentoring tailored to your specific needs and goals
- A suite of learning supports and resources developed for and tailored to First Nations tourism sector
- Specialist supports and advice from Intrepid Travel advisors
- Exit supports when you complete the program

For further information visit: [First Nations Tourism Mentoring Program \(FNTMP\) | business.gov.au](https://business.gov.au)

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*Applications are ongoing.*

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## Department for Industry, Innovation and Science – Seed-Start

The Seed-Start Program provides financial support for early-stage and high-growth potential businesses in South Australia.

Eligible start-ups can apply for funding to assist with the cost of commercialising a product or service that is unique and has a sustainable competitive advantage in national and international markets.

Two different funding types are available, depending on each business's stage of development:

- Seed Grants: Minimum \$50,000, maximum \$100,000
- Start Grants: Minimum \$100,001, maximum \$500,000

For further information visit: [Seed-Start | Department for Industry, Innovation and Science water](https://www.difis.gov.au)

## OTHER GRANT LINKS

### Australian Government Grants Connect

[GrantConnect Help and Information \(grants.gov.au\)](https://grants.gov.au)

### Australian Community Grants Hub

[Homepage](#) | [Community Grants Hub](#)

### Green Industries SA

[Funding from Green Industries SA](#)

### Foundation for Rural & Regional Renewal

[Home](#) | [Foundation for Rural & Regional Renewal](#) | [FRRR](#)

### Veterans SA

[Grants Programs – Veterans SA](#)

### Department of Veterans' Affairs

[Community Grants Hub](#)

## SUCCESSFUL GRANTS

### 2023/2024 SA Arid Lands Landscape Board Grassroots Grants

- ❖ Nipapanha Aboriginal Corp: \$3,187
- ❖ North East Pastoral properties: \$14,065
- ❖ Blinman Progress Assoc: \$5,000
- ❖ Mt Ive Trust: \$3,400
- ❖ Coward Springs Campground: \$8,756
- ❖ Copley & District Progress Assoc: \$6,447
- ❖ FAUNA Research Alliance: \$10,000
- ❖ Gawler Ranges Native Bush food Garden: \$3,400

### FRRR Community Impact Program

- ❖ ICPA Marla Oodnadatta Branch \$5,000



Photo: Foundation for Rural Regional Renewal

### FRRR Strengthening Rural Communities - Small & Vital

- ❖ Blinman Progress Association: \$9,450
  - Create a functional and welcoming space for the community by installing a new rainwater tank system at the Blinman Hall

### FRRR Rebuilding Regional Communities – Micro

- ❖ William Creek Gymkhana Committee: \$9,963
  - Improve safety & reduce the workload of showground volunteers post pandemic by purchasing a reliable, robust and compact audio system.

If your organisation has been the recipient of a grant, we invite you to share your success with us to feature in our newsletter.

Please send an email to [oca@sa.gov.au](mailto:oca@sa.gov.au) including a photo and brief description of the completed project.

By highlighting your success, we aim to inspire other groups and individuals within the OCA area to apply for grants, which will provide positive changes in communities for a better living experience.