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## FREE Community Grants Workshop

This is the ideal, practical, writing a grant workshop for an organisation seeking to attain funding by applying for grants. This workshop will encourage the writer to develop, direct and edit creative ideas in addition to giving an invaluable guidance on how to present work for submission.

The FREE Grant Writing Workshop with The Grants Guy, has been made possible by Jodie Harrison MP, Member for Charlestown.

**When: 20 July 2017 1-5pm**

**Where: The Place: Charlestown Community Centre**

**Contact Jodie Harrison's office on 4942 1242 to register**

# Community Grants

## Stronger Communities Programme

**EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST FOR ROUND 3 ARE NOW OPEN**

**What could your community group do with up to \$20,000?**

The Shortland electorate will have \$150,000 to fund projects worth between \$2,500 and \$20,000 to community organisations and local governments for small capital projects that improve community participation and contribute to the vitality of our community. To be eligible for a SCP grant, applicants are required to match SCP grants in cash or in-kind on at least a dollar for dollar basis.

**Expressions of interest need to be in by 1 August 2017.**

**Examples of previous successful Grants in Shortland:**

- \$10,450 for the Eastlake Women's Refuge to install solar panels
- \$10,681 for the Rotary Club of Charlestown's transport project
- \$8,018 for the Redhead Surf Life Saving Club to furnish their function room
- \$11,450 for the Charlestown Caring Group to expand their community service program

The solar panel installation is a great example of a SCP grant being used for a project which will lower the operating costs of the organisation. If you are interested in applying, I encourage you to start planning as soon as possible.

### **How do I apply?**

Applying for a Shortland Stronger Communities Grant is a two-step process.

1. Fill out an [Expression of Interest](#) which will be considered by the Community Consultative Committee.
  2. Successful EOI applications will be invited to submit a formal submission to the Department of Infrastructure and Regional Development.
- [Stronger Communities Programme Guidelines](#)
  - [Factsheet](#)

If you have any questions about the Stronger Communities Program please contact Melanie Field in my office on 02 4954 2611 or email [pat.conroy.mp@aph.gov.au](mailto:pat.conroy.mp@aph.gov.au).



## **Amnesty International Australia's Human Rights Innovation**

**Funding provider: Amnesty International**

**Amount: Undisclosed**

**Closing date: 31 August 2017**

Amnesty International Australia's Human Rights Innovation Fund allows anyone interested in promoting and defending human rights direct access to funding to support new, innovative, creative initiatives.

These initiatives will have a demonstrable human rights impact in Australia and must have the potential to advance one or more of the fund's objectives:

- foster grassroots community activism
- engage and empower a diversity of people to build networks and promote the growth of a human rights constituency
- acknowledge the initiatives and endeavours of the human rights movement; and
- develop partnerships with other organisations

### **Ideas for projects**

- speaker tour
- human rights defender tour (for example, a national tour of a defender of human rights, who has an inspiring story to tell)
- a human rights photography project in remote Indigenous communities
- an Amnesty International program broadcast online
- a human rights seminar/event
- activism retreat held for high school students or other community sectors
- an interactive web-based human rights campaign
- human rights awareness raising activity and/or outreach to new audiences
- setting up a virtual action group around a particular human rights issue
- an innovative display or stall design for a local action group to attract new supporters

Anyone can apply — individuals, local action groups, community groups or networks and organisations from any Australian State or Territory. For more information: [Click here](#)

## **Cadbury Fundraiser Community Grants**

**Funding Provider: Cadbury Fundraiser**

**Amount: Up to \$500**

**Closing Date: Next round closes 30 November 2017**

The intention of the grant program is to support a wide range of community-based projects that increase social inclusion and enhance community engagement in Australia. Grants will be awarded under two categories:

- **Live Well:** Initiatives promoting increased opportunities for participation in sports and recreation or general community collaboration.
- **Learn Well:** Initiatives promoting increased opportunities for learning and development.

For more information: [Click here](#)

## **Before & After School Care Fund**

**Funding provider: NSW Department of Education**

**Amount: Up to \$30,000**

**Closing date: Ongoing**

The NSW Government created the \$20 million Before and After School Care Fund to help deliver up to 45,000 additional out of school hours care (OSHC) places. NSW schools, local councils and not-for-profit OSHC service providers may apply for grants under the Fund.

OSHC services that have unmet demand for before and after school care places, and have a capacity to establish a new OSHC service or to increase the number of places in their existing OSHC service may apply for grants under the Fund.

Who can apply:

- the school principal for OSHC services located in school sites
- the duly authorised council officer for OSHC services located in council sites
- the OSHC service manager for not-for-profit OSHC services located on sites other than school or council property.

For more information: [Click here](#)

## **Canon Oceania Grants**

**Funding Provider: Canon**

**Amount: Up to \$5,000**

**Closing Date: 4 August 2017**

Canon Oceania Grant is a new grants program for schools and not-for-profit groups who are addressing both social and environmental issues in their community and inspiring change for future generations. The grants offer four grants of Canon equipment in-kind across Australia.

The grants will be awarded under the following categories:

- 1 x Environmental Grant – \$5,000
- 1 x Education/School Grant – \$5,000
- 1 x Community/social Grant – \$5,000
- 1 x Runner-up Grant – \$1,000

Winners will be selected based on the environmental and social merits of their organisation, as well as the importance of digital Canon technology products in ensuring the project's success. For more information: [Click here](#)

## **Central Coast Council - Stronger Communities Fund**

**Funding Provider: Central Coast Council**

**Amount: Up to \$50,000**

**Closing Date: 11 August 2017**

The Stronger Communities Fund has been established by the NSW Government to provide councils with funding to kick-start the delivery of projects which improve community infrastructure and services.

The fund includes a Community Grant Program, which will allocate \$1 million in grants over three years to incorporated not-for-profit community groups, for projects that build more vibrant, sustainable and inclusive local communities. The minimum funding available per application is \$10,000, and the maximum funding available per application is \$50,000. For more information: [Click here](#)

## **Commbank Cricket Club Sponsorship**

**Funding provider: Commonwealth Bank of Australia**

**Amount: \$2,000**

**Closing date: 7 August 2017**

To demonstrate our support for grassroots cricket we offer local clubs the chance to apply for one of our two-year sponsorships. If successful, you'll receive a two-year helping hand of \$2,000 per year, brand new cricket equipment and CommBank gear like marquees for game days. For more information: [Click here](#)

## **Community Building Partnership**

**Funding Provider: NSW Government**

**Amount: \$300,000 available to each State electorate of NSW.**

- **Individual grant requests must be a minimum of \$2,500**
- **While there is no upper grant limit, the average grant awarded is usually around \$20,000**

**Closing Date: 9 August 2017**

We are seeking funding applications for community infrastructure projects that:

- promote community participation, inclusion and cohesion
- deliver positive social, environmental, and recreational outcomes.

Grants need to be for:

- building/repairing/refurbishing community infrastructure; or
- capital equipment with a minimum individual asset value of \$2,500
- Projects must be completed by 31 March 2019.

Incorporated not-for-profits and local councils are eligible to apply. For more information: [Click here](#)

## **Digital Literacy School Grants (DLSG)**

**Funding Provider: The Department of Education and Training**

**Amount: Up to \$50,000**

**Closing Date: 11 August 2017**

Digital Literacy School Grants is an initiative under the Inspiring all Australians in Digital Literacy and STEM measure of the National Innovation and Science Agenda.

Grants of between \$10,000 and \$50,000 are available for schools and other organisations to encourage and facilitate implementation of the new Australian Curriculum: Digital Technologies. Grants will be awarded for project proposals that demonstrate innovative methods for driving enhanced digital literacy in schools. Grants of amounts greater than \$50,000 may also be made where a project has demonstrated capacity to reach regional, national or sectoral scalabilities such as projects involving clusters of schools and/or peak bodies/professional associations.

Grant proposals must:

Focus on school-based activities or programs that support school leaders and teachers to understand and implement the Australian Curriculum: Digital Technologies on a whole of school basis, and/or Engage students with the Australian Curriculum: Digital Technologies. For more information: [Click here](#)

## **Flying Start Programme**

**Funding provider: Jetstar**

**Amount: Up to \$30,000**

**Closing Date: 30 June 2017 (NSW entries)**

Entry is open to not-for-profit community groups and organisations of any size, who are seeking funding to help enhance the lives of people in their local community; and can be classified into one of the following categories:

- Charity
- Educational and Health Organisations
- Arts Group or Organisation
- Sporting Group or Organisation

All grants will consist of the same elements, to ensure fairness and transparency. Each grant will be comprised:

- \$15,000 cash
- \$15,000 worth of travel with Jetstar anywhere on the Jetstar network
- Promotion of their community group or organisation on Jetstar's website and Facebook page
- National and local level media leverage to be facilitated by Jetstar PR agency partner

For more information: [Click here](#)

## **Google Ad Grants**

**Funding provider: Google**

**Amount: Up to \$10,000 USD of in kind advertising every month from AdWords**

**Closing Date: Ongoing**

Google Ad Grantees receive free AdWords advertising on Google.com.au. Google Ad Grantees build and manage their own AdWords accounts similar to paying advertisers, but participate with the following restrictions:

- A daily budget set to \$329 USD, which is equivalent to about \$10,000 per month
- A maximum cost-per-click (CPC) limit of \$2.00 USD
- Only run keyword-targeted campaigns
- Only appear on Google.com.au
- Only run text ads

For more information: [Click here](#)

## **Heritage Near Me Incentives Program – Heritage Green Energy Grants**

**Funding provider: NSW Office of Environment and Heritage**

**Amount: Up to \$100,000**

**Closing date: Ongoing**

The Heritage Green Energy Grants are only available to owners and managers of heritage buildings who:

- have an ABN and a site that is listed as a heritage item on a council's Local Environmental Plan (LEP). You can check if a site is listed as a heritage item by visiting the NSW Planning Portal or by contacting your local council
- have completed an energy efficiency training course and, if required, post-training support through the OEH Energy Efficient Business program.

Any works to improve the energy efficiency of heritage buildings which have been identified in a business case resulting from participation in the OEH Energy Efficient Business program will be considered for funding. These works could include, but are not limited to, improvements to, or replacement of:

- heating, ventilation and air conditioning
- lighting
- kitchen equipment, including refrigeration and cooking
- hot water
- building fabric, including insulation and window shading.

For more information: [Click here](#)

## **Heritage Near Me Incentives Program – Local Heritage Strategic Projects**

**Funding provider: NSW Office of Environment and Heritage**

**Amount: \$10,000 to \$100,000**

**Closing date: Ongoing**

Expressions of Interest are invited from owners and managers of local heritage items, local councils and organisations who are seeking support for projects and programs that will enhance and protect local heritage assets and values, either through minor works conservation projects, community-based events and activities, or the development of innovative heritage processes, strategies and plans.

This program supports projects in four categories:

- Support sustainable futures for heritage, conservation and restoration projects and the production of reports, plans and strategies supporting these projects. Priority is given to projects which involve a number of owner/managers and/or multiple heritage items, and include opportunities for skills development or training.
- Connect communities and heritage projects which aim to raise community awareness of local heritage.
- Support effective heritage management projects that will support the establishment of an effective heritage stewardship model for NSW.
- Diversify understanding of heritage values this includes projects that celebrate Aboriginal cultural heritage, migrant stories and, heritage conservation areas and others.

For more information: [Click here](#)

## **Holden Home Ground Advantage**

**Funding Provider: Holden**

**Amount: Total pool \$250,000**

**Closing Date: 31 August 2017**

The Holden Home Ground Advantage is supporting local sporting clubs for the next 10 years by committing \$5 million to develop and improve their facilities.

You can apply for a grant for a project up to \$100,000 in value, or a grant for a project up to \$10,000 in value. Clubs are welcome to submit separate applications for both grants. Please note that only one grant from the \$100,000 grant pool will be awarded. The number of successful applications from the \$10,000 grant pool will depend on the amounts requested. All of the \$250,000 available in this round will be allocated.

You can apply for money through Home Ground Advantage for projects, or equipment that makes life easier for the members and supporters of your club. For example, you might want to make improvements to your clubrooms, install new hot showers, get a new scoreboard, or purchase new sporting equipment that will help your team perform on the field. For more information: [Click Here](#)

## **Honda Foundation**

**Funding provider: Honda Foundation**

**Amount: Undisclosed**

**Closing date: 11 August 2017**

The Honda Foundation provides financial assistance to charities and organisations that work across a range of social and environmental issues. Applications are now open for the second grant round for the year.

The Foundations supports a variety of organisations, including those that offer:

- Support for the disadvantaged, disabled or those suffering from illness
- Relief for victims of natural disasters
- Promotion of innovation and new technologies
- Promotion, development and preservation of Australian culture

The Honda Foundation also provides a 12-month Loan Vehicle Program which includes registration, insurance and all servicing costs. For more information: [Click here](#)

## **Keys2drive**

**Purpose: To assist teenagers become better drivers**

**Amount: One Free driving lesson**

**Funding Provider: Australian Government**

**Closing Date: Ongoing**

Did You Know That Your Teenager Increases The Risk Of Being Harmed In An Accident By 20 To 30 Times The Day They Move From A Learner Driver To A P Plater?

The Australian Government wants to help our teenagers become better drivers. They have recognised the safety benefits of using a professional fully qualified driving instructor and so created the Keys 2 Drive Program.

The Government funds a free driving lesson for all Learner Drivers, although there are some conditions.

You must hold an Australian Learners Permit (i.e passed your Road Rules Test)  
Your fully licensed supervising driver must be in the car for the full 60 minute lesson. This is usually a parent. As part of the lesson your driving instructor will also give advice to the parent on how best to keep you safe and assist you to be a more highly skilled driver. Note: The supervisor/parent must hold an Open Australian License; it can be from any State.

You are only entitled to one free driving lesson. For more information: [Click Here](#)

## **Lake Macquarie City Council Community Funding Program**

**Purpose: To provide financial assistance to community groups and organisations who add social, economic or environmental benefits to our City.**

**Amount: up to \$5,000**

**Funding Provider: Lake Macquarie City Council**

**Closing Date: 20 September 2017**

The Community funding program recognises the vital contribution that community groups and organisations play in the development of our social capital and quality of life.

You can apply under one of two categories:

- Seed funding helps new community events get up and running. The event should increase the number of visitors to the region, create a sense of community identity and bring cultural, economic, social and environmental benefits to the community. Successful applicants may receive up to \$5000.
- Growth funding helps existing events raise awareness, expand into new markets and increase participation. Successful applicants may receive up to \$5000.

Some sporting events may also participate under the banner of the Lake Macquarie Games. Funding assistance is available for the provision of medals and certificates, adding to the event's credentials. For more information: [Click here](#)

## **Local Sporting Champions Program**

**Purpose: To help junior sport stars meet the costs of participation at eligible sporting events.**

**Amount: \$500**

**Founding provider: Office of Sport & Recreation**

**Closing Date: Round 2 31 October 2017**

The Local Sporting Champions program is an initiative designed to help Shortland's young athletes realise their sporting dreams and compete in their sporting competitions.

Local junior athletes turning 12 to 18 years of age in the same calendar year as the nominated sporting championship can apply for a grant to cover the cost of:

- travel, accommodation, uniforms, equipment

Associated with participating in an eligible championship, individual athletes who are participating in appropriately endorsed state school sport championships or international competitions and are travelling more than 250km return from the competition are eligible to apply for support. For more information: [Click here](#)

## **National Men's Shed Award Nominations**

**Funding provider: National Men's Shed**

**Closing date: 4 August 2017**

The National Men's Shed Awards give the Men's Shed network an opportunity to recognise the outstanding work of Men's Sheds around Australia.

Nominations fall into five (5) categories:

- **Unique fundraising activity** – most sheds undertake fundraising activities (Bunnings BBQ's, market stalls etc), what's the most unique fundraising activity your shed has seen?
- **Unusual shed activity** – Men's Sheds are not just about wood work and metal work.
- **Best shed garden** – does your shed have an impressive flower or produce garden?
- **Outstanding recycling/up-cycling activity** – shedders are all about recycling, what does your shed do?
- **Shed of the year** – do you love the time spent at your shed enough to nominate it for the best shed in Australia? For more information: [Click here](#)

## **Organics Infrastructure (Large and Small) Program**

**Purpose: To fund infrastructure and equipment to reduce food and garden organics waste going to landfill.**

**Amount: \$500,000**

**Founding provider: NSW Environmental Trust**

**Closing Date: 10 August 2017**

Local councils, business, government institutions, not for profits, and industry, depending on the type of grant project/stream are eligible to apply.

The [Waste Less, Recycle More](#) Organics Infrastructure (Large and Small) Program provides \$57 million over nine years to fund infrastructure and equipment to reduce food and garden organics waste going to landfill. For more information: [Click here](#)

## **Project Defib – Defibrillator Subsidies**

Every sporting club in Australia has access to a \$1600.00 subsidy. This will enable sporting clubs to safeguard their players, spectators & coaches with the most comprehensive defibrillator program.

Program Cost to clubs- \$2600.00 (Cost of program without subsidy – \$4200.00) For more information: [Click here](#)

## **Social Investment Grants**

**Funding Provider: Tennis Australia**

**Funding Amounts: Up to \$200,000**

**Application Dates: Ongoing**

Our Social Investment Grants Program are annual grants administered in conjunction with the Community Enterprise Foundation. Each year, we determine the area in which the grants will generate the most impact.

The theme for our 2017 grants program is *building resilience and capability for people experiencing homelessness or domestic and family violence*. \$200,000 is available for not-for-profits to apply for across two categories.

- Category 1: 4 x \$25,000 grants available
- Category 2: 2 x \$50,000 grants available

Not-for-profits can apply for one or both categories. For more information: [Click here](#)

## **Sunsuper Dreams - Round 3: Sport & Education**

**Funding Provider: SunsUPER**

**Amount: Total pool \$150,000**

**Closing Date: Round 3 - 4 August 2017**

SunsUPER's Dreams for a Better World offers a total annual grant pool of \$150,000 to help community groups and not-for-profit organisations make their dreams for a better world a reality. The program has four rounds each year, each with a different theme. Round 3 is currently open and has the theme "Sport and Education".

To qualify, the dream must aim to make a positive difference in the community, and it must also:

- Benefit a registered community cause, charity group or not-for-profit organisation (and not an individual)
- Be based in Australia with funds being spent in Australia
- Be able to be undertaken in the next 12 months
- Fit with the round theme

The program is open to all residents of Australia aged 18 years or older at the time of entry. Applicants will receive a confirmation email that their dream has been accepted. For more information: [Click here](#)

## **Tennis Australia Facility Loan Scheme**

**Funding Provider: Tennis Australia**

**Funding Amounts: Up to \$80,000**

**Application Dates: Ongoing**

The Tennis Australia Facility Loan Scheme financially assists affiliated Australian Tennis Clubs, Centres and Associations with upgrades, replacements and improvements on their tennis facilities, by providing low interest loans. Applications are ongoing.

A Club, Centre or Association will often embark on a project utilising grant monies from local government and/or state government, as well as their own funds. The Tennis Australia loan is to assist in shortfalls the Club may have in funding their project after other avenues of funding have been determined For more information: [Click here](#)

## **Water Safety Fund Community Grants 2017/18**

**Funding provider:** NSW Government

**Amount:** Undisclosed

**Closing date:** 4 August 2017

Water Safety Fund Community Grants are being offered to support community efforts to improve water safety in NSW.

Grants will be provided to successful applicants whose projects increase water safety in high risk geographical locations, population groups and activities. For more information: [Click here](#)

## **Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Grants**

### **Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Arts**

**Funding Provider:** Australian Council

**Funding Amounts:** Undisclosed

**Application Dates:** Ongoing

**Aim:** To support Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Arts organisations to advance Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander arts in Australia. For more information: [Click here](#)

### **Chief Executive Women Indigenous scholarships**

**Funding Provider:** Australian Government

**Funding Amounts:** Undisclosed

**Application Dates:** 31 July 2017

Female Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander senior managers or those working for the benefit of Indigenous women are encouraged to apply for scholarships to leading business school, INSEAD, through a partnership with Chief Executive Women (CEW) and the Australian Government.

Under the Women's Leadership and Development Strategy (WLDS) funding, these scholarships will enable two high performing women to undertake the *Leading for Results* program in Singapore in late November 2017. For more information: [Click here](#)

### **Community Led Grants**

**Funding provider:** Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet

**Amount:** Undisclosed

**Closing date:** Ongoing

The Community Led grants process that will enable Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, communities and service providers to seek grant funding to address emerging needs and/or opportunities that they have identified as priorities.

Organisations will be able to apply for Community Led Grants at any time. As a first step, potential applicants must discuss their proposal with their local PM&C Regional Network office, by calling 1800 079 098 and asking to speak to a staff member in their local office. For more information: [Click here](#)

## **Elite Indigenous Travel and Accommodation Assistance Program**

**Purpose: Provide financial assistance to elite Indigenous sportspeople**

**Funding Provider: Australia Sports Commission**

**Amount: Up to \$3,000**

**Closing Date: Ongoing**

The Elite Indigenous Travel and Accommodation Assistance Program (EITAAP) is an initiative that is jointly managed by the Australian Sports Commission (ASC) and Australian Government Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet (PM&C). Funding is available for athletes, coaches, managers or officials to assist with out-of-pocket travel and accommodation expenses when attending eligible national championships or international competitions.

For more information: [Click here](#)

## **Indigenous Youth Justice Campaign**

**Purpose: To end the over-representation of Indigenous young people in detention within a generation.**

**Funding Provider: Amnesty International Australia**

**Amount: Up to \$8,000**

**Closing Date: 31 August**

Amnesty International Australia will provide at least one grant each year, through the Human Rights Innovation Fund, to Indigenous organisations working to:

- end youth incarceration; and/or
- support Indigenous individuals/families/communities experiencing youth detention

Funding criteria

- Projects must have a demonstrable human rights impact in that it supports the aim of Amnesty's Indigenous Youth Justice campaign.
- Projects must be an Indigenous-led and designed initiative. Projects must be achievable within the funding available (maximum \$8,000).
- Smaller projects, even very small, are very welcome.
- Projects must be completed within one year of the project's start date.
- Amnesty International Australia cannot pay wages. If wages form part of your project budget, you will need to be an employer or the person(s) to be paid will need to have an ABN.
- Successful applicants will be required to submit a short project report/evaluation within two months of the completion of the project.

For more information: [Click here](#) or contact Naomi Vaughan at [naomi.vaughan@amnesty.org.au](mailto:naomi.vaughan@amnesty.org.au)

## Arts

### Arts Projects for Individuals and Groups

**Funding Provider:** The Australia Council

**Funding Amounts:** \$50,000

**Application Dates:** 3 October 2017

Our Arts Projects program funds a range of activities that deliver benefits to the arts sector and wider public, including national and international audiences. Grants are available from \$10,000 to \$50,000. Supported activities must last no longer than three years from the proposed start date. For more information: [Click here](#)

### Creative Arts Fellowship

**Funding provider:** National Library of Australia

**Amount:** \$10,000

**Closing date:** 28 July 2017

The Fellowship offers a grant to support creative practitioners and artists to undertake a sustained period of intensive work at the Library, using the rich and varied collections to develop a new art-work or body of work or an artistic concept for future elaboration. The Fellowship is open to established and emerging artists.

The Fellow undertakes a minimum four-week residency at the Library, funded by the Friends of the National Library.

Fellows receive during their residency:

- \$10,000, which can be used as a stipend for travel support and accommodation or for project expenses
- Special access to collections and staff expertise
- Access to office facilities and a personal workstation
- Copies of collection materials (within reasonable limits and according to access conditions)

For more information: [Click here](#)

### The Gordon Darling Foundation

**Funding Provider:** The Gordon Darling Foundation

**Funding Amounts:** Undisclosed

**Application Dates:** closes 30th September 2017

The purpose of the Gordon Darling Foundation is to fund Visual Arts activities Australia-wide.

The Foundation's charter is to support the visual arts and to promote, through Public Institutions, access to and enjoyment of all areas of the visual arts, to the broadest possible audience.

Each year the Foundation assists Australian Public Institutions to undertake a wide range of visual arts projects in all Australian states and territories and helps to promote Australian arts in the international arena. For more information: [Click here](#)

## **International Residencies Program**

**Funding Provider: Australia Council**

**Funding Amounts: \$5,000 up to \$35,000**

**Application Dates: closes 3rd Oct 2017**

The International Residencies Program has been developed through sector consultation and research. Council has forged partnerships with some of the best residency providers in the world to deliver a suite of residencies that enable the development of individual artists, arts mediators, groups and organisations.

International residencies provide a unique opportunity for artists to effectively immerse themselves in a new arts context, market, community and culture. The experience enables artists to articulate their practice within a global context and build knowledge, networks and partnerships that support future international arts activity. For more information: [Click here](#)

## **MATCH Lab**

**Funding Provider: Creative Partnerships**

**Funding Amounts: Match dollar for dollar up to \$50,000 in funds**

**Application Dates: 11 August 2017.**

The program supports artists to build fundraising skills, increase knowledge of philanthropy and arts partnerships, develop broader arts business knowledge and create sustainable sources of revenue for their work into the future.

MATCH Lab is for artists looking to build their fundraising and arts business skills and run a fundraising campaign.

Through the MATCH Lab program, we provide artists and groups with:

1. A place at our two-day *Raising Money for Your Art* professional development and fundraising clinic.
2. Matched funding of up to \$10,000 per project.
3. Campaign advice and support.

We offer up to 25 places nationally to participate in MATCH Lab. MATCH Lab participants will be fully supported to attend our Raising Money for Art clinic. For more information: [Click here](#)

## Business Grants

### Accelerating Commercialisation

**Funding Provider:** AusIndustry

**Funding Amounts:** Undisclosed

**Application Dates:** Ongoing

**Aim:** To help Australian entrepreneurs, inventors, start-ups, commercialisation offices and small and medium businesses address the challenges associated with commercialising novel intellectual property. **Website Information:** [Click here](#)

### Entrepreneur Mentorship Program Women – 100 scholarships

**Funding provider:** Australian Government's Women's Leadership and Development Strategy

**Amount:** Undisclosed

**Closing Date:** Round 30 July 2017

Inspiring Rare Birds, a global hub supporting aspiring female entrepreneurs, has launched its Entrepreneur Mentorship Program which will provide 100 scholarships to women business owners.

The scholarships are aimed at female business owners in regional areas, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women, women from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds, and women from low socio-economic backgrounds.

The scholarships will match recipients with high caliber mentors to help them grow their business and be successful entrepreneurs. For more information: [Click here](#)

### Impact Investment Ready Growth Grant

**Funding provider:** Impact Investing Australia

**Amount:** Up to \$100,000

**Opens 1 June 2017 Closes 30 July 2017**

**Opens 2 September 2017 Closes 29 September 2017**

The Impact Investment Ready Growth Grant provides impact businesses and mission-driven organisations with grants of up to \$100,000 for business, financial, legal and other capacity building support from providers to secure investment.

The initiative enters its next stage and invites broader participation of the corporate, community and philanthropic sectors in the investment readiness process of impact businesses. For more information: [Click here](#)

### Social Enterprise Development and Investment Funds (SEDIF)

**Funding provider:** Department of Employment

**Amount:** Undisclosed

**Closing date:** Ongoing

The Social Enterprise Development and Investment Funds (SEDIF) improves access to finance and support for social enterprises to help them grow their business and increase the impact of their work in their communities. Finance for Social Enterprise: The Social Enterprise Development and Investment Funds explains social enterprises and the support that the SEDIF offers. For more information: [Click here](#)

## Disability, Veterans & Carers

### Continence Aids Payment Scheme (CAPS)

**Funding Amounts:** Undisclosed

**Application Dates:** Ongoing

To assist eligible people who have permanent and severe incontinence to meet some of the costs of continence products. For more information: [Click here](#)

### The Joseph Seridis Trust Fund

**Funding Provider:** The Joseph Seridis Trust Fund

**Funding Amounts:** Undisclosed

**Application Dates:** Ongoing

The aim of the Trust is to assist people of all ages with physical and multiple disabilities by meeting the cost of providing equipment associated with enhancing daily living, independence and quality of life. For more Information: [Click here](#)

### Rehabilitation Appliance Program

**Funding Provider:** Department of Veterans' Affairs

**Funding Amounts:** Undisclosed

**Application Dates:** Ongoing

The Rehabilitation Appliances Program (RAP) assists entitled veterans, war widow/ers and dependants through the provision of aids and appliances to minimise the impact of disabilities, enhance quality of life and maximise independence when undertaking daily living activities. For more information: [Click here](#)

### Veteran and Community Grants

**Funding provider:** Department of Veterans' Affairs

**Amount:** \$2,000 to \$50,000

**Closing date:** Ongoing

The Veteran and Community Grants (V&CG) program aims to maintain and improve the independence and quality of life for members of the veteran community by providing funding for projects that support activities and services to sustain or enhance health and wellbeing.

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