

Grants

Step 1: Finding the grants

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Commonwealth Government

- This is a database that contains links to grants available through the Commonwealth Government. It is managed by the Department of Regional Australia, Local Government, and the Arts. It does not include State or local Government, the corporate or philanthropic sectors. — <http://grants.myregion.gov.au/>
- The Commonwealth Government requires all grants to be listed on the responsible agencies webpage. This includes all open grants, as well as records of closed grants for two years after it is awarded. The Commonwealth government departments are:
 - * Attorney-General - <http://www.ag.gov.au/Pages/default.aspx>
 - * Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry - www.daff.gov.au/
 - * Department of Broadband, Communications and the Digital Economy - www.dbcde.gov.au/
 - * Department of Climate Change and Energy Efficiency - www.climatechange.gov.au/
 - * Department of Defence - www.defence.gov.au
 - * Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations - www.deewr.gov.au/
 - * Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs - www.fahcsia.gov.au/
 - * Department of Finance and Deregulation - www.finance.gov.au/
 - * Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade - www.dfat.gov.au/
 - * Department of Health and Ageing - www.health.gov.au/
 - * Department of Human Services - www.dhs.vic.gov.au/
 - * Department of Immigration and Citizenship - www.immi.gov.au/
 - * Department of Industry, Innovation, Science, Research and Tertiary Education - www.innovation.gov.au/
 - * Department of Infrastructure and Transport - www.infrastructure.gov.au/
 - * Department of Regional Australia, Local Government, Arts and Sport - www.regional.gov.au/
 - * Department of Resources, Energy and Tourism - www.ret.gov.au/
 - * Department of Sustainability, Environment, Water, Population and Communities - www.environment.gov.au/
 - * Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet - www.dpmc.gov.au/
 - * Department of Veterans' Affairs - www.dva.gov.au/
 - * Parliament of Australia - www.aph.gov.au/
 - * Standing Council on Environment and Water - www.ephc.gov.au/
- The Commonwealth Government also has a webpage that lists all business related grants and funding. This allows you to search for any grants available for small businesses. <http://www.business.gov.au/Grantfinder/Grantfinder>
- Aus Industry is a division of Department of Industry, Innovation, Science, Research and Tertiary Education. It delivers a number of programs, and offers various grants and assistance as part of this program. <http://www.ausindustry.gov.au/Pages/default.aspx>
- The Australian Council of the Arts is the Commonwealth Government's arts funding body. They deliver more than \$160 million in funding per year. <http://www.australiacouncil.gov.au/grants>
- The Australian Research Council (ARC) advises the Government on research matters and manages the National Competitive Grants Program, a significant component of Australia's investment in research and development. <http://www.arc.gov.au/>

State Government

- The Queensland Government operate a Queensland Government Grants online database. This lists the grants available from all government departments.
 - * <https://www.smartservice.qld.gov.au/services/grants>
- The Government Business Information Service (GOBIS) connects business with government services and programs designed to help you get the best from your enterprise including: Training, seminars and workshops; Export opportunities and networking; Government subsidies and grants; Industry product matching/sourcing facilities; and Trade assistance and development.
 - * http://www.sd.qld.gov.au/dsdweb/htdocs/gobis/frm_gobis_search_menu.cfm
- The Queensland Government run a program where they distribute the money from taxes received from gambling to not-for-profit community groups.

Set up a system or process that ensures you are regularly checking appropriate databases

Local Government

Some of the local councils in the FNQ&TS region offer grants and funding. Links to these councils are below.

- * Cairns Regional Council - www.cairns.qld.gov.au/
- * Cassowary Coast Regional Council - www.cassowarycoast.qld.gov.au/
- * Cook Shire Council - www.cook.qld.gov.au/
- * Tablelands Regional Council - www.trc.qld.gov.au/

Skim read any grants that seem applicable, and go back to them later to confirm eligibility

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Corporate

- Commonwealth Bank
* <http://www.commbank.com.au/about-us/in-the-community/understanding-money/commonwealth-bank-foundation/>
- Westpac Bank
* <http://www.westpac.com.au/about-westpac/sustainability-and-community/westpac-foundation/>
- ANZ Bank
* <http://www.anz.com/about-us/corporate-responsibility/community/>
- St George Bank
* <http://www.stgeorge.com.au/about-stgeorge/sustainability-and-community/stgeorge-foundation>
- Bendigo Bank
* <http://www.bendigobank.com.au/foundation/>
- National Australia Bank
* http://www.nab.com.au/wps/wcm/connect/nab/nab/home/About_Us/7/4/2/1/5/
- IGA Community Chest
* http://www.iga.net.au/igafresh/index.cfm?page_id=2687
- Woolworths
* <http://www.woolworths.com.au/wps/wcm/connect/Website/Woolworths/Community/Community+Grants/>
- Coles
* <http://www.coles.com.au/About-Coles/Community.aspx>
- BHP Billiton
* <http://www.bhpbilliton.com/home/Pages/default.aspx>
- Foundation for Rural and Regional Renewal
* <http://www.frrr.org.au/>
- Queensland Country Credit Union
* <http://www.qccu.com.au/community-grants-scheme>
- Tourism Queensland's Tourism Assistance Database –
* http://www.tg.com.au/tgcorp_06/index.cfm?140DFEA1-D5E7-CD2D-4789-ACF01D03FBA6
- Volunteering North Queensland
* <http://www.volunteeringnthqld.org.au/grants.htm>
- Xstrata
* http://www.xstrata.com/assets/pdf/xcu_cpp_qld_guidelines_200811.en.pdf

Grant finders

It's obvious that there are a lot of different types of grants available, and sometimes this can be overwhelming and time consuming to navigate. There is, however, a service that provides monthly newsletters to your email that detail the grants available that month. This newsletter also provides helpful tips and hints for preparing grant application, and is very well priced. Below is a link to their webpage, as well as a sample newsletter.

- Webpage
* <http://www.ourcommunity.com.au>
- Sample newsletter
* <http://www.ourcommunity.com.au/newsletter/1/sample.pdf>

Another regular newsletter advising of recent grants is grants and tenders. This company release two newsletters a month and focus on both government and private grants.

- <http://www.grantsandtenders.com.au/>

*Try to find out opening dates
of annual grants, as this will
give you more time to
prepare*

Philanthropic

- Philanthropy Australia is the national peak body for philanthropy and is a not-for-profit membership organisation.
* <http://www.philanthropy.org.au/>
- Australian Business Arts Foundation is a company of the Commonwealth. The organisation works to change the culture of private sector support for the arts in Australia and built the capacity of the arts, business and donors to connect.
* <http://www.abaf.org.au>

Our favourites

- <http://www.ourcommunity.com.au>
- <http://grants.myregion.gov.au/>
- <https://www.smartservice.qld.gov.au/services/grants>