

2023 WELA Giving Circle Grant Round

Australian Communities Foundation

Eligibility

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Funding is available to applicants who meet ALL of the following eligibility criteria:

Check your eligibility:

- An Australian registered charity with the ACNC (DGR status not required) OR Incorporated organisation with an ABN
- Have an annual income of less than \$3 million
- Based in Australia

Applications must be:

- Led by women and/or gender-diverse people; and
- Focused on environment or climate action (advocacy, a campaign and/or project to protect the environment and climate)

Funds cannot be used for:

- Retrospective activities
- Non-charitable activities
- Projects or activities that are politically partisan in nature
- Commercial activities
- On-ground environmental actions such as tree-planting, or installation of solar on buildings
- Grant funds cannot be used for electoral expenditure or the creation or communication of electoral matters (as defined in the Commonwealth Electoral Act 1918), or to incur electoral or political expenditure or communicate political or electoral matters under any similar applicable state or territory legislation
- Green building projects including energy efficiency upgrades.
- Political campaigns that support specific parties or candidates.
- Straight research, unless it is in direct support of a developed plan for specific action to alleviate an environmental problem.
- Land acquisition.

Does your organisation and application meet the above criteria?

Choices

Yes

No

Ineligible

Unfortunately you are not eligible to receive funding from WELA's Giving Circle Grant Round at this time.

If you would like to get in touch to talk more about your application and WELA's grant guidelines, please get in contact with Kate Walsh at info@wela.org.au.

You can also join WELA's email list for new grant rounds at www.wela.org.au and follow them on Instagram on [@_we_are_wela](https://www.instagram.com/_we_are_wela).

Organisation details

Organisation Summary*

Please provide a brief summary of your organisation.

Character Limit: 750

Organisation ABN (if applicable)

Please provide your organisation's ABN. See [here](#) to search your organisation on ABN Lookup.

Character Limit: 11

ACNC Registration (if applicable)

Please provide a link to your ACNC registration. See [here](#) to search your organisation on ACNC.

Character Limit: 2000

Organisation Website URL*

Character Limit: 2000

Instagram

Character Limit: 2000

Facebook

Character Limit: 2000

Twitter

Character Limit: 2000

Tiktok

Character Limit: 2000

Let us get to know you (all answers around 100 - 150 words)

What is your organisation's mission statement?*

Character Limit: 750

Tell us about your current programs and activities*

Character Limit: 750

Please describe a few top accomplishments of your organisation within the last three years*

This can just be a few activities or campaign wins you are particularly proud of.

Character Limit: 750

Please list key staff and their experience*

Character Limit: 750

Key staff - LinkedIn Profile(s)

Please provide the LinkedIn profile URL for any key staff listed above (not compulsory).

Character Limit: 1000

How many people sit on your organisation's Board?*

Character Limit: 20

How many Board Members are women?*

Character Limit: 20

How many Board Members are from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds?*

Character Limit: 20

Detail how your organisation is led by women and/or gender-diverse people*

Please also include how you consider gender within your organisation.

For example, WELA welcome applications from projects that are led by women and gender-diverse people in their development and decision making. This might look like women and gender-diverse people as CEOs, co-CEOs, and Campaign Managers, on their boards and at the centre of their strategy development and project implementation.

Character Limit: 750

Let us get to know your project

Instructions: You can respond to most of these questions via written response OR another format such as video (only one format is required). If you would like to upload a diagram, link to

a video, drawing or audio file in response to this question, please upload via the "upload a file" button on the question.

If you are remote and have unstable internet, you can submit your application over the phone. Please email info@wela.org.au to arrange a time to speak.

All sections have around a 100 - 150 word limit.

Project Name*

Character Limit: 250

Project description*

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Which state or territory do you operate in?*

Please select all that apply.

Choices

ACT
NSW
NT
QLD
SA
TAS
VIC
WA
National

Geographic scope*

Please select the best option to describe the geographic scope of your project.

Choices

Metro
Rural/Regional
All the above

If regional or rural, please specify where the project will take place.

Character Limit: 500

Please indicate the area/town/local government area/community this project is targeted to reach*

Character Limit: 750

Please describe the problem which you seek to solve*

An example looks like "The problem we seek to address is the inequitable impact of climate change on rural women".

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Please describe three strategic objectives of your project*

An example looks like this:

Our strategy is to focus on these three objectives:

1. Build resilient regional networks of women
2. Increase front line skills for disaster response
3. Profile the stories of women impacted by climate change

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Please list your key tactics, activities or milestones, including a timeline*

An example looks like:

Key tactics & steps in the campaign:

- Hold three storytelling workshops in three impact towns in the Northern Rivers to create networks and collect stories: Aug 2nd/3rd/4th
- Hold one regional workshop to build front line skills for disaster response in collaboration with the Regional Fire Service: Aug 10th
- Multimedia art installation in one impacted town highlighting stories: Aug 13th
- Reporting on project/impact: Aug 21st

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What does success look like? What will you measure to determine this?*

Success can be measured in many ways. It would be great here for you to expand on your vision of success in a narrative form first (i.e. Success will be where...) and then provide some additional metrics like:

- Number of people at events
- Social media metrics
- Internal metrics like team building and satisfaction
- Stories in the media

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How is gender considered within this project?*

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How do you work with First Nations communities?*

Please detail if/how you work with First Nations communities within either your organisation or project.

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How are diverse voices included in your project?*

Please describe how your project includes diverse voices in your strategy, storytelling or solutions.

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How is collaboration utilised within this project?*

WELA values collaboration as a key strategy for making change. Please tell us how collaboration is utilised within this project and list any organisational partners in this proposal, including their role and your relationship with them. Please also include their contact details.

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How does this project fit with your organisation's strategic plan and/or current priorities?*

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What is your plan for the project or initiative after the grant has been exhausted?*

Please describe your plan for the project or initiative after the grant award has been exhausted. Will it continue, or is this a one-off?

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Risks and mitigation*

Please provide an indication of any risks that exist in the project and the various ways of mitigating them.

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Budget

Total project amount*

Character Limit: 20

Funding secured so far (optional)

Existing funding is not a requirement.

Character Limit: 20

Amount sought from the WELA Giving Circle*

One-off grants of between \$5,000 and \$10,000 are available.

Character Limit: 20

Budget breakdown*

Please download the budget template here, complete and upload.

File Size Limit: 2 MB

Additional documents, support and acknowledgement

Please upload any additional documents which you feel will be useful to the Shortlisting Committee*

This could be your organisation's annual report or project material / collateral. However, this is not required.

File Size Limit: 5 MB

Are you interested in volunteering / pro bono support from the WELA community?*

If you are unsuccessful with this grant application, would you be interested in volunteer / pro bono support from the WELA community, where we match organisations with experts from the WELA community to provide support and feedback.

Choices

Yes

No

If you are successful, WELA asks that you:*

- Notify us before making significant changes to the nature or timing of the project
- Invite us to key project events
- Allow us to publish information and images of the project being funded
- Acknowledge the WELA Giving Circle in all project related publications, social media, websites and events
- If you are wanting to use our logo, please get in contact with info@wela.org.au for approval
- Once grants are fully expended, you will be required to submit an acquittal report that should take around 1 hour to complete
- Be available for WELA Giving Circle events and member report backs

Is this ok?

Choices

Yes

No

Feedback on this grant application

To ensure we provide a good experience to all our applicants, we would appreciate your feedback on the form process.

Please note your responses here will not affect the outcome of the grant decision and these answers will not be forwarded to the selection committee as part of your application.

Please select the option that best describes how you found the online application process

1 = Very easy 2 = Easy 3 = Neutral 4 = Difficult 5 = Very difficult

Scoring Options: 1 - 5

How many minutes did it take you to prepare and submit your application?

Character Limit: 4

Other comments

Please provide us with your suggestions about any improvements and/or additions to the application process/form.

Character Limit: 750