

<u>Pride Foundation Australia (PFA)</u> is a national philanthropic foundation specifically focused on funding lesbian, gay, bisexual, trans, queer, intersex, asexual and other (LGBTQIA+) community issues in Australia.

The Foundation advocates for systemic change to advance LGBTQIA+ equity and inclusion and provide direct support to affected communities / individuals. PFA raises awareness of LGBTQIA+ disadvantage and works to increase philanthropic support for the Australian LGBTQIA+ and allied communities through fundraising, grant giving, collaboration and commissioning projects.

The Foundation's specific LGBTQIA+ priority areas to date have been: healthy ageing, homelessness and disability, asylum seekers and refugees living in Australia as well as visual, literacy and performing arts.

# 2024 Large Grant Round - Supporting LGBTQIA+ Refugees and People Seeking Asylum

The Pride Foundation Australia (PFA) is proud to announce their first large grant round for 2024, to a total value of \$20,000 with a focus on supporting sexuality, sex and gender diverse (LGBTQIA+) refugees and people seeking asylum in Australia.

Grant applications should be to the value of up to \$20,000 over two years (if applicable).

#### **Funding considerations**

PFA encourages projects that are led by LGBTQIA+ refugees, people seeking asylum and/or people of colour.

Projects that collaborate between refugee and asylum seeker agencies or groups and LGBTQIA+ agencies or groups are also encouraged. Where an LGBTQIA+ refugee-led group is in partnership with another organisation, PFA encourages equal partnership and co-design.

Projects should aim to support sexuality, sex and gender diverse (LGBTQIA+) people who are refugees or seeking asylum in at least one of the following areas:

- Improving access to stable housing,
- Enhancing education and/or workforce participation,
- Enhancing support for community connection and improving settlement outcomes,
- Improving health and/or health literacy,
- Supporting links to LGBTQIA+ services and supports,
- Enhancing cultural engagement and development,
- Improving LGBTQIA+ inclusive practice in services.

Types of projects with a duration of up to two years may include any of the following:

- Community development, or
- Education and training initiatives, or
- Health and wellbeing initiatives, or
- Applied, community-led research with tangible outcomes in the field, or
- Events including arts and cultural or conferences.

#### **Exclusions**

The following activities will *not* be funded:

- Capital and building works, vehicles, furniture or equipment,
- · General fundraising,
- Travel, books, religious activities.

# Who can apply?

- Organisational status that is recognised through incorporation, who are registered as a business or association with an <u>ABN</u> (charity registration and DGR status is not required)
- Individuals cannot apply.

#### **Timeframes**

- Expressions of interests (EOIs) are open from 9am AEDT on Monday, 4 March 2024 to 5pm AEST on Friday, 19 April 2024.
- Shortlisted EOIs will be invited to submit a grant application by late April 2024.
- Grant applications must be submitted by 5pm AEST on Friday, 31 May 2024.
- Successful and unsuccessful applicants will be notified by end of June 2024.
- Grants will be paid from mid-July 2024 onwards.

# **Application Process**

To view/access and submit an Expression of interest (EOI) and grant application, you must be logged into a registered account on the <u>Australian Communities Foundation Grants Portal</u> and enter the access code **PFAGR2024**. The direct URL link to the grant round can be found <u>here</u>.

Please create an account on the Australian Communities Foundation Grants Portal <u>here</u>. If you already have an account, please use your existing username and password. Make sure to note your username and password as you will be able to save and continue the form at a later date.

Please note: All applications must be submitted in full with all supporting documentation by 5pm AEST on the closing date. Any incomplete applications or applications received after 5pm AEST will be treated as ineligible.

# **Contact details**

If you have any questions in relation to the grant guidelines or require technical assistance with the application process, please contact Charlene Yum (Grants Manager, Australian Communities Foundation) at grants@communityfoundation.org.au or 03 9412 0412.

Australian Communities Foundation's office hours are Monday to Friday 9am-5pm.