



Memorandum

To:	All clubs and Branches
From:	SLSNSW
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Subject:	Grant Opportunity – Australian Government Information, Linkages and Capacity Building Program – Social and Community Participation Stream (closing 8/12)

The Australian Government Information, Linkages and Capacity Building Program – Social and Community Participation Stream is now open, closing 8/12/20.

PLEASE NOTE: This program is expected to be highly competitive and is ONLY seeking applications for sizeable and comprehensive projects costing \$20,000 or greater. This grant is not suitable for organisations seeking equipment for smaller programs and/or equipment costing under \$20,000.

Grants are available in two categories:

1. Small grants of \$20,000 to \$50,000 (ex GST) – projects up to 12 months which are place-based (within a small area, state/territory)
2. Large grants of \$100,000+ (ex GST) - projects up to 12 months for organisations seeking to impact broader systemic change or create largescale opportunities for community inclusion state and territory wide, across multiple states and territories or nationally.

This program seeks to support:

1. **Organisations inclusive of people with a disability, their families and their carers**, e.g.
 - activities that seek to educate and build community confidence to include children and young people with disabilities in opportunities to participate with typically developing peers;
 - activities that improve staff awareness of, and communication with, people with disability.
2. **Improvement of community access for people with a disability**, e.g.
 - modified equipment to enable greater participation in community sports by people with disability;
 - additional technical supports and digital technologies.
3. **Response to, or recovery from, COVID restrictions and/or recent natural disasters in relation to persons with a disability**, e.g. activities that ensure continuity of community supports to assist a person with disability, their family or carer(s) to be socially active and engaged.

Attachments include but are not limited to:

- evidence of community support (e.g. letters of support, community surveys, meeting minutes, local media).
- quotes
- financials

Key points to note:

- Eligible items for funding include costs incurred in the delivery of the project; staff salaries directly attributable to the project; and engagement of expert consultants. Larger requests for funding must include a proportion of funding for evaluation of the project.
- Grants cannot be used for major capital expenditure or retrospective costs.
- Applicants must strongly demonstrate how the activity will result in people with a disability being better able to participate and contribute in the community; how project outcomes will be sustainable beyond the life of the grant; the extent to which the project has been developed, designed and delivered in collaboration with people with a disability; and the relevant partnerships/collaborations that the organisation has.



Applications close **8 December 2020**. The application and guidelines can be accessed at <https://www.communitygrants.gov.au/grants/social-and-community-participation-grant-opportunity-2020-21>.

To provide more assistance to our Clubs and volunteers, SLSQ, SLSNSW, LSV, SLST, SLSSA and SLSNT provide a range of grant services for club (at no fee) through SLSA's Grant Seeking Unit (GSU). If you would like the GSU to assist with the writing and submission of an application, or you have any queries in relation to this funding opportunity, please contact one of the following:

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Kind regards

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