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Application Guidelines

2025/26 Queensland Country Bank Good for Good Community Grants

The Queensland Country Bank Good for Good Community Grants is our way of providing a helping hand to community groups across Queensland. In providing the grants, we use profits made from our banking business to invest back into not-for-profit community groups, enabling them to deliver projects that support the community. In other words, 'Good for Good'.

Eligible not-for-profit organisations are invited to apply for funding of between \$5,000 and \$30,000 to deliver projects that make a practical difference to the lives of people in Queensland communities - projects that help Queenslanders 'live better'. We're looking to support projects that enable people to participate, learn, connect, make a difference, and be safe. It's those projects that facilitate inspirational stories in the everyday lives of people, we want to hear about.

The 2025/26 Queensland Country Bank Good for Good Community Grants has a limited funding pool. Grant recipients have six months to spend the funding and complete the project.

<https://www.queenslandcountry.bank/community/good-for-good-community-grants/>

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Eligibility

To be eligible to apply for a grant your organisation must:

- Be willing to open an account with Queensland Country Bank if successful, in order to receive grant funding. This includes completing all necessary membership documentation and complying with Queensland Country Bank's membership requirements.
- Be a not-for-profit organisation, defined as an organisation which does not operate for the profit or gain of its individual members – which includes direct or indirect gains – both while the organisation is being carried on and on its winding up. Any profit made by the organisation must go back into the operation of the organisation to carry out its purposes and is not distributed to any of its members. As a not-for-profit organisation, the organisation's constituent or governing documents (e.g. rules or articles of association, constitution, rule book or deed of trust) prevent it from distributing profits or assets for the benefit of specific people – both while it operates and when it winds up.
- Be a current ABN holder.
- Request a funding amount between \$5,000 - \$30,000.
- Propose a project that falls into one of the following categories:
 - i) sport and recreation
 - ii) health
 - iii) education
 - iv) environment
 - v) arts, culture, and heritage
- Be committed to fulfilling the grant terms and conditions.

2025-2026 Key Dates

Applications open:	Tuesday, 1 July 2025, 9am (AEST)
Applications close:	Sunday, 31 August 2025, 5pm (AEST)
Assessment:	September and October 2025
Due diligence and grant agreements:	September and October 2025
Projects commence:	From end October 2025
Projects to conclude:	By Monday, 1 June 2026

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Focus Areas

Queensland Country Bank actively encourages grant applications for community projects that have a focus on the below areas.

Under-represented people groups within your community

Projects that provide resources, facilities, equipment, programs, support, events and opportunities for under-represented groups within your community. Examples of under-represented groups within your community may include: mothers, fathers, children, retirees, Indigenous Australians, new Australians, youth, men or women.

Increasing participation

Projects that provide resources, facilities, equipment, programs, events and opportunities that enable more people in your community to participate or participate for the first time. This could be participation in activities including, but not limited to, learning, volunteering, training, environmental work, social interaction, exercise, sport, health initiatives, arts or culture.

Safety and emergency response

Projects that keep members of your community safe or provide the means for them to reach safety quickly and easily in time of emergency.

Assessment Criteria

Each Good for Good project application will be assessed based on how well it fulfils the following criteria:

- A clear project concept with specific, defined, achievable objectives
- Makes a measurable difference to people in the community
- Addresses an immediate need or opportunity in a practical, new and engaging way
- Facilitates inspirational stories in the everyday lives of people, that would not happen without Good for Good Community Grants
- The organisation has demonstrated the capacity and capability to manage the project

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Funding Exclusions

The following activities and applicants are not eligible for funding:

- Individuals – grants may only be provided to eligible not-for-profit organisations
- Medical or other research projects
- Fundraising campaigns (including overseas appeals)
- Purchase of land or buildings
- Core operating costs
- Activities, projects and programs that collect funds for redistribution
- Expeditions or overseas travel
- Endowments, memorials, prizes, scholarships or bursaries or named academic chairs
- Activities or project work that has already taken place

Application Process

The Queensland Country Bank Good for Good Community Grants application process consists of the following:

1. Ensure your organisation meets the Good for Good Community Grants eligibility criteria;
2. Develop and refine the scope of your project using the application guidelines;
3. Contact your closest Queensland Country Bank Branch Manager to introduce your organisation and talk with them about your project if required; and
4. Submit application online at <https://www.queenslandcountry.bank/community/good-for-good-community-grants/good-for-good-community-grant-application/> between 9am (AEST) Tuesday, 1 July 2025 and 5pm (AEST) Sunday 31 August 2025.

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Frequently asked questions

Can my organisation apply for more than one grant?

We ask that you only submit one application per organisation. If you require assistance in determining which of your projects best meets our criteria, we invite you to contact us.

Can I apply again if I have received a grant in the past?

Yes, providing the previous project is finished, and you have acquitted past grants you may apply again.

Do we need co-funding for our project?

No, Queensland Country Bank is willing to contribute 100% of the cost of a project (between \$5,000 - \$30,000). We are also happy to jointly fund a project with other parties, however we prefer not to make a small contribution as part of a very big project.

Read more [community grant FAQs on our website](#).

Contact Us

Project related questions:

Contact your closest [Queensland Country Bank Branch Manager](#)

Queensland Country Bank general grant enquiries:

1800 075 078 or sponsorships@queenslandcountry.bank

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Terms and Conditions – Good for Good Community Grants

The following terms and conditions apply to Queensland Country Bank Limited's Good for Good Community Grants Program ('the Program') to ensure fairness and equity amongst all applicants and grant recipients.

1. Grant Provider: Queensland Country Bank Limited (ABN 77 087 651 027 AFSL/Australian Credit Licence 244 533) 333 Ross River Road, Aitkenvale QLD 4814. The Grant Provider can be contacted on 1800 075 078.
2. Applicant: The Applicant is defined as the not-for-profit organisation that is applying for the Good for Good Community Grant.
3. Application Period: Good for Good Community Grant applications will commence 9am (AEST) Tuesday, 1 July 2025 and close at 5pm (AEST) Sunday 31 August 2025.
4. Eligibility: The Good for Good Community Grants Program is subject to the following eligibility criteria:
 - a) Applicant organisations must be willing to open an account with the Grant Provider (Queensland Country Bank Limited) in the event the application is successful in order to receive grant funding. This includes completing all necessary membership documentation and complying with Queensland Country Bank's membership requirements.
 - b) Applicants must be a not-for-profit organisation, defined as an organisation which does not operate for the profit or gain of its individual members – which includes direct or indirect gains – both while the organisation is being carried on and on its winding up. Any profit made by the organisation must go back into the operation of the organisation to carry out its purposes and is not distributed to any of its members. As a not-for-profit organization, the organisation's constituent or governing documents (e.g. rules or articles of association, constitution, rule book or deed of trust) prevent it from distributing profits or assets for the benefit of specific people – both while it operates and when it winds up.
 - c) Applicants are required to hold a current ABN.
 - d) The total amount to be funded by way of a grant must be between \$5,000 and \$30,000.
 - e) Grant projects must fall into one of the following categories:

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- i) sport and recreation
 - ii) health
 - iii) education
 - iv) environment
 - v) arts, culture and heritage
- f) All advertising, signage, media releases and other material that contains the Grant Provider's logos must be submitted to and approved by the Grant Provider prior to production and release.
- g) Applicants must agree to these terms and conditions.
5. Ineligible applicants: An application will only be accepted from a former grant recipient in circumstances where the applicant has satisfied the acquittal requirements in respect to the past grant.
6. Approval details: The grant recipients will be determined by panel review. The panel review will take place prior to 11 October 2025, at the Grant Provider's Head Office at the address provided in clause 1. The Grant Provider may request other supporting documentation additional to that requested in the application and is not required to provide reasons for its refusal to make a grant or the quantum of the grant awarded to the recipient.
7. Notice to Applicants: The Grant Provider will notify all applicants in writing of the outcome of their application. Successful applicants will be contacted by phone or email prior to 5pm Friday, 1 November 2025.
8. Acceptance: Successful applicants are required to notify the Grant Provider of their acceptance of the grant through returning the provided grant acceptance form no later than seven business days after having received the grant acceptance form from the Grant Provider. The acceptance form details the obligations involved with accepting the grant funding and the requirements that must be fulfilled to obtain the grant, including a link to these terms and conditions.
9. Applicants acknowledge that the Grant Provider has the right to disqualify an application, or withdraw funds from a project should the Grant Provider become aware that the applicant has provided inaccurate, misleading or incomplete information in connection with the application.
10. Following the return of the grant acceptance form, successful applicants are required to produce an eligible invoice for the Grant Provider. Grant funds will be deposited into the nominated Queensland Country Bank account of the grant recipient.

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11. Expenditure: Expenditure of the grant funding must be completed by 5pm on Sunday, 31 May 2026.
12. The grant monies paid to recipients must be applied for the purposes of completing the grant recipient's project as detailed in the approved application.
13. The Grant Provider may recover any grant monies paid to grant recipients where such monies were expended on a purpose or project different to that represented in the application and for which the grant was provided.
14. In the event a grant recipient is no longer able to complete the project for which the grant funding has been provided, the grant recipient must advise the Grant Provider within two weeks of becoming aware of their inability to complete the project. The Grant Provider may agree to a variation in the purpose and scope of the project provided the variation still satisfies the eligibility criteria and expenditure of the grant money is completed by the date provided in this clause of these terms and conditions.
15. All grant monies are inclusive of any GST payable by the grant recipient.
16. Should the actual cost of completing the project exceed the estimated cost, as provided in the grant recipient's application, the Grant Provider will not be responsible for, or obliged to pay, monies additional to the amount of the grant.
17. Should the actual cost of completing the project be less than the estimated cost, the grant amount funded by the Grant Provider is limited to the lesser amount and, if applicable, any excess funds are required to be repaid to the Grant Provider upon request.
18. In the event an applicant obtains funding from another party for the full cost of completing the project detailed in their application with the Grant Provider they agree to immediately withdraw their application by written notice to the Grant Provider.
19. Grant recipients agree to provide updates pertaining to the status and/or progress of their project.
20. Final Accountability Statement: The grant recipient will provide to the Grant Provider a final accountability statement. The statement must be provided to the Grant Provider within eight (8) weeks of the completion of the project and no later than 5pm on Sunday, 31 May 2026.

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21. If the grant recipient fails to acquit the grant within the timeframe provided in Clause 20, the grant recipient will be ineligible to apply for further grant funding offered by the Grant Provider until such time as they lodge a final accountability statement and complete the acquittal process.
22. Reputation: The Grant Applicant shall not do or say anything, or cause anyone else to do or say anything, that may prejudice or cause damage to the name and reputation of the Grant Provider.
23. Release: To the extent permissible by law, the Applicant agrees to release the Grant Provider, the Grant Provider's related entities, its respective directors, officers, employees and agents from any causes of action, loss, liability, damage, personal injury, expense (including any claim for legal expenses), cost or charge sustained or in any way incurred by you (including any indirect or consequential loss) in connection with your participation in the Program.
24. Force Majeure: The Grant Provider will not be responsible or liable for any loss, cost or damage arising out of any act, omission, failure or delay by the Grant Provider, which is due to an act of god, riots, acts of terrorism, storms, fire, any labour or industrial dispute, any strike, pandemics and other acts which are not reasonably within the control of the Grant Provider.
25. Lost or Delayed Communications: The Grant Provider will not be responsible for any delayed, lost or misdirected mail or any other communication.
26. Program Interruption: The Grant Provider, in its sole discretion, reserves the right to cancel, suspend, terminate, or modify the Program if fraud, technical failures or any other factor beyond the Grant Provider's reasonable control adversely affect the Grant Provider's ability to conduct the Program as described in these terms and conditions.

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