



Fact Sheet

Fostering Integration Grants 2019

Australia is a multicultural society. Integration is important – it helps to maintain social cohesion. An integrated and cohesive multicultural Australia includes migrants who:

- speak English, the national language of Australia
- embrace Australian values and abide by Australian laws
- actively participate in Australian society through work, school, and sport
- are gainfully employed
- have social networks that cross ethnic and religious groups
- are welcomed and supported by the broader Australian community.

Fostering Integration Grants

The Fostering Integration Grants aims to assist migrants integrate within Australia by:

- encouraging the social and economic participation of migrants
- promoting and encouraging the uptake of Australian values and Australian citizenship
- promoting a greater understanding and acceptance of racial, religious and cultural diversity
- addressing issues within Australian communities that show potential for, or early signs of, low social integration.

The Australian Government announced \$2.3 million for the 2019 Fostering Integration Grants program. Grants of between \$5,000 and \$60,000 are available across Australia.

Who can apply?

Organisations must be not-for-profit, legally registered in Australia and one of the following:

- Indigenous Corporation
- Cooperative
- Incorporated Association
- Trustee on behalf of a Trust

Priority will be given to small not-for-profit organisations directly representing a multicultural community or those organisations who are able to demonstrate they are connected to and have a physical presence in a multicultural community.

What can we apply for?

Examples of eligible projects include:

- festivals or cultural events,
- social activities between established and emerging communities
- workshops increasing the capacity of youth leaders to engage and support their peers
- creative arts projects to unite diverse communities
- work experience to migrants to help overcome employment barriers
- using sport to increase social interaction between different cultural groups
- linking socially isolated migrants through innovative digital platforms.

When to apply?

The round is expected to open for applications soon. Successful projects are expected to commence in April 2020 and be completed before 30 June 2021.

How to apply?

To apply, please complete the online application form available from GrantConnect www.grants.gov.au or the Community Grants Hub www.communitygrants.gov.au.