



Indigenous Advancement Strategy

Revised IAS Grant Guidelines – Community Led Grants

Under the revised IAS Guidelines there are three ways that proposals can be considered for grant funding:

- The Department invites applications.
- The Department directly approaches an organisation/s.
- The Department responds to community led proposals.

This fact sheet provides an overview of the Community Led grants.

What does Community Led mean?

The Community Led process enables Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, communities and service providers to, at any time, apply for IAS grant funding for projects that address an emerging need or opportunity. This new way of doing business will enable the Department of Prime Minister & Cabinet (PM&C) to respond to the priorities identified by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and communities.

Benefits of a Community Led approach?

Community Led Grants provide an opportunity for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to devise strategies that will support their community and the people living in it.

The new process will enable Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and service providers to work closely with their local PM&C Regional Network Office staff in the development of projects that deliver long-term and sustainable outcomes based on what a community needs.

How do I apply?

Organisations will be able to apply for Community Led Grants at any time. As a first step, potential applicants must discuss their proposal with their local PM&C Regional Network office, by calling 1800 079 098 and asking to speak to a staff member in their local office

For enquiries relating to national projects, projects relating to tertiary education or for projects across multiple regions, please email iasgrants@pmc.gov.au.