

About the Community Safety Investment Fund Grant

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Program Details - Community Safety Investment Fund - Stream 2.

Community Safety Investment Fund aims to provide community organisations opportunities to design and deliver locally focused, community led solutions to prevent or respond to youth offending, strengthen families and improve community safety.

This application applies to **Community Safety Investment Fund - Stream 2**.

The grant will allocate up to \$2 million per year (exclusive of GST), over two years - 2025/26 and 2026/27 (Total Funding - \$4 million over two years 2025-2027).

Stream 2 - Funding Stream as below:

- For grants from \$100,000 up to \$300,000 for larger initiatives that will be delivered over two years.

Programs and initiatives will contribute to the achievement of objectives:

- Deliver *holistic* responses that address the underlying needs and risks that contribute to young people's involvement with the justice system and improve their outcomes.
- Deliver culturally responsive initiatives that build long-term resilience and protective factors, increase connection to culture and improving social and emotional wellbeing for young people and families.
- Deliver programs and initiatives that empower young people and their families to achieve change in the young person's behaviour and safety.
- Support young people and families to re-engage with education, training, or employment.
- Increase community safety through tailored initiatives for high-risk youth.
- Whole of community initiatives that engage young people in pro-social activities.

We are particularly interested in grant applications that align with and help achieve the NSW Government's Closing the Gap priorities, including:

- **Target 11:** to reduce the overrepresentation of Aboriginal young people in the criminal justice system, so that by 2031, the rate of Aboriginal young people (10-17 years) in detention is reduced by 30 per cent.

This may include (but is not limited to) programs and initiatives that:

- Prevent and respond to youth offending
- Divert young people from court which create positive pathways with communities
- Support young people transitioning from custody back to their community and provide support and opportunities to help them thrive to reduce reoffending.

Grant Program Name

This field is read only.

The program this submission is in.

Instructions for Applicants

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Before completing this application form, you should have read the [Community Safety Investment Fund Program Guidelines - Stream 2](#).

Incomplete applications and/or applications received after the closing date will not be considered.

Organisations successful in securing a **Stream 2** grant will be funded for two years and **paid in an instalment each year**, contingent on meeting **reporting** requirements.

Projects can commence in **May 2026** and must be completed by **30 May 2028**.

Applicants will notify the Department of Communities and Justice if grant funding is secured from another source.

Support available:

If you require any assistance or have any queries relating to SmartyGrants or the application form: Please contact via email grantdesignandsupport@dcj.nsw.gov.au

If you have queries relating to this Grant Program, please contact via email YJGrantsFunding@dcj.nsw.gov.au

Application Number

This field is read only.

SmartyFile

Create your SmartyFile today to streamline collaboration, simplify grant applications, and securely manage your organisation's key information. This allows you to safely collaborate and share information with members of your organisation.

How to create a SmartyFile

1. Go to [SmartyFile](#)
2. Click **"Create an Organisation Profile"**
 - You'll need your **ABN (Australia)**
3. **Enter Organisation Details**
 - Fill in your organisation's name, contact info, and other required fields.
4. **Set Up Your Account**
 - Create your user profile with your name and email.
 - Choose a secure password.
5. **Verify Your Email**
 - Check your inbox and click the verification link to activate your account.
6. **Log In and Access Your Dashboard**
 - You'll now see your organisation's SmartyFile dashboard.

How to share access with colleagues

1. **Log in to SmartyFile**
2. **Go to "Team Members" or "Users" Section**
 - This is found in your organisation's dashboard.
3. **Click "Add Team Member"**
 - Enter your colleague's name and email address.

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4. Assign a Role

- Choose a role (e.g., Admin, Editor, Viewer) depending on what access they require.

5. Send Invitation

- They'll receive an email with a link to join your organisation's SmartyFile.

6. They Accept and Join

- Once they accept, they'll have access to collaborate on files and forms.

Detailed instructions and Resources are available <https://applicanthelp.smartygrants.com.au/smartyfile/>

Disclaimer

The Applicant acknowledges and agrees that:

- The submission of this application does not guarantee funding will be granted for any project, and the Department of Communities and Justice (DCJ) expressly reserves its right to accept or reject this application at its discretion;
- It must bear the costs of preparing and submitting this application and the
- The Department does not accept any liability for such costs, whether or not this application is ultimately accepted or rejected;
- And it has read the (*CSIF Grant Assessment Guidelines*) Grant Guidelines for the Program and has fully informed itself of the relevant program requirements.

Use of Information

By submitting this application form, the Applicant acknowledges and agrees that:

- If this project application is successful, the relevant details of the project will be made public, including details such as the names of the organisation (Applicant) and any partnering organisation (state government agency or non-government organisation), project title, project description, location, anticipated time for completion and amount awarded;
- DCJ will use reasonable endeavours to ensure that any information received in or in respect of this application which is clearly marked '*Commercial-in-confidence*' or '*Confidential*' is treated as confidential, however, such documents will remain subject to the **Government Information (Public Access) Act 2009 (NSW) (GIPA Act)**;
- And in some circumstances the DCJ may release information contained in this application form and other relevant information in relation to this application in response to a request lodged under the GIPA Act or otherwise as required or permitted by law.

Privacy Notice

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By submitting this Application form, the Applicant acknowledges and agrees that:

- DCJ is required to comply with the **Privacy and Personal Information Protection Act 1998 (NSW) (the Privacy Act)** and that any personal information (*as defined by the Privacy Act*) collected by the Department in relation to the program will be handled in accordance with the *Privacy Act* and its privacy policy (available at: <https://www.dpc.nsw.gov.au/privacy>).
- The information it provides to DCJ in connection with this application will be collected and stored on a database and will only be used for the purposes for which it was collected (including, where necessary, being disclosed to other Government agencies in connection with the assessment of the merits of an application) or as otherwise permitted by the *Privacy Act*;
- It has taken steps to ensure that any person whose personal information (*as defined by the Privacy Act*) is included in this application has consented to the fact that DCJ and other Government agencies may be supplied with that personal information, and has been made aware of the purposes for which it has been collected and may be used.

Eligibility Confirmation

Please declare this application meets ALL the Program eligibility criteria as detailed below:

- Must be able to enter into a grant funding agreement with Department of Communities and Justice.
- Must have an **Australian bank account**
- Must have an Australian Business Number (**ABN**).
- Must have appropriate insurance; this **must** include but is not limited to a minimum of \$10 million Public Liability Insurance.
- Must address the **NSW National Redress Scheme** sanctions (included in this template).
- Do not have **overdue acquittals** with DCJ.
- Must be a:
 - not-for-profit Aboriginal Community Controlled Organisation (ACCO),
 - an Aboriginal specific organisation or sole provider (at least 50% owned and run),
 - Aboriginal business working with Aboriginal communities in NSW
 - Incorporated organisation registered and approved as a not-for-profit body by NSW Fair Trading.
- It has been prepared by and is being submitted by an **eligible applicant**.

Click HERE to view - [Community Safety Investment Fund Program Guidelines - Stream 2](#)

I confirm that the applicant is eligible according to the criteria outlined in the Community Safety Investment Fund Program Guidelines *

Yes

Applicant Details

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Applicant Primary Address

Please note the Primary address must include:

Street number, Name of Street, Suburb & Postcode.

Applicant Details

Applicant *

Individual Organisation

Organisation Name

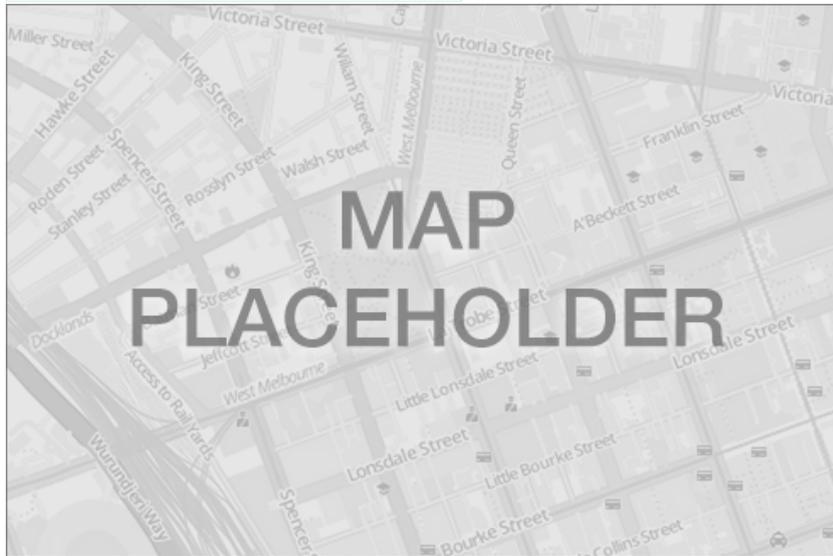
Title First Name Last Name

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For organisations: please use the organisations full name. Make sure you provide the same name that is listed in official documentation such as that with the ABR, ACNC or ATO.

Applicant Primary Address

Address



Applicant Postal Address

Address

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Applicant Primary Phone Number *

Must be an Australian phone number.
Country code not required, area code for landlines is required.

Applicant Email Address *

Must be an email address.

Applicant Website

Must be a URL.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Community-Controlled Organisations (ACCO)

The Department of Communities and Justice is committed to funding **Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Community-Controlled Organisations (ACCO)**.

For the purpose of this grant an **ACCO** delivers services *that build the strength and empowerment of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities and people*, and is:

- incorporated under relevant legislation and not-for-profit
- controlled and operated by Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people;
- connected to the community or communities in which they deliver the services; and
- governed by a majority Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander governing body.

Is your organisation an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Community-Controlled Organisation (ACCO), according to the definition above?

- Yes
 No

PLEASE NOTE: If you are a NSW Local Aboriginal Land Council or you are registered with the Office of the Registrar of Indigenous Corporations (ORIC) you are automatically considered an ACCO. If you are not a NSW Local Aboriginal Land Council or you are not registered with ORIC, you may be required to provide evidence under each of the four categories listed above during the assessment process.

Legal Entity

Legal status of your organisation *

- Incorporated Non-Government registered and approved as Not for Profit by NSW Fair Trading
- Not for Profit Company Limited by Guarantee, registered in NSW (must have ACNC registration and/or DGR status)
- NSW Local Aboriginal Councils
- Religious Organisations operating in NSW
- NSW non-government organisations established under an Act of Parliament
- a not-for-profit non-Aboriginal organisation partnering with a lead ACCO or Aboriginal business

If your organisation is not on the list, please refer to the Guidelines as you may NOT be eligible.

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Primary Contact Details

Primary Contact *

Title First Name Last Name

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This is the person we will correspond with about this grant.

Primary Contact Position *

e.g., Manager, Board Member or Fundraising Coordinator.

Primary Contact Phone Number *

Must be an Australian phone number.

Country code not required, area code for landlines is required.

Primary Contact Other Phone Number

Must be an Australian phone number.

Country code not required, area code for landlines is required.

Primary Contact Email *

This is the address we will use to correspond with you about this grant.

Does the applicant have an Australian Business Number (ABN)? *

Yes

No

Applicant Organisation ABN *

The ABN provided will be used to look up the following information. Click Lookup above to check that you have entered the ABN correctly.

Information from the Australian Business Register	
ABN	
Entity name	
ABN status	
Entity type	
Goods & Services Tax (GST)	
DGR Endorsed	
ATO Charity Type	More information
ACNC Registration	
Tax Concessions	

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Main business location

Must be an ABN.

Eligibility

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Organisation Details if No ABN

Applicant Organisation ACN or AIN *

Enter Organisation ACN (Australian Company Number) or AIN (Association Incorporation Number) if ABN not there.

Applicant Organisation Details

Please detail the primary activities of the applicant organisation. *

Word count:

Must be no more than 200 words.

Please confirm that your organisation has not been publicly identified as declining to join the NSW National Redress Scheme OR failing to join the scheme at the expiry of six months after being notified to join the Scheme. *

- Yes, I confirm
- No, I cannot confirm (You may be deemed ineligible for this grant)

PLEASE NOTE: For more information on the NSW Government Redress Scheme Sanctions Policy, visit <https://arp.nsw.gov.au/c2021-13-nsw-government-redress-scheme-sanctions-policy/>

Does your organisation have any outstanding acquittals due to the Department of Communities and Justice? *

- Yes - you may be deemed ineligible for this grant program
- No

PLEASE NOTE: If your organisation has any outstanding acquittals due to the Department of Communities and Justice you are not eligible to apply to this grant program. Please complete any outstanding acquittals prior to submitting your application.

Does the applicant organisation have at least \$10 million in public liability insurance? *

- Yes
- No

Applicants are required to hold at least \$10 million public liability insurance in order to enter into a funding deed with the NSW Government.

Public Liability Insurance Evidence

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Please provide evidence that the applicant organisation holds Public Liability Insurance. *

Attach a file:

Applicants are required to hold at least \$10 million public liability insurance in order to enter into a funding deed with the NSW Government.

Proposed Project Details

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Community Safety Investment Fund

We would like to hear from you about how your organisation could **design and deliver locally focused, community led solutions to prevent or respond to youth offending, strengthen families and improve community safety in your community.**

- A broad outline of your initiative and how it aligns with the grant program objectives,
- Outline who will participate in the project,
- Outline the outcomes of your project, and
- Request a specific grant funding amount to deliver the project.

Title *

Word count:

Provide a name for your initiative. Your title should be short but descriptive (must be no more than 25 words).

Brief description *

Word count:

Include a brief summary of your initiative and how it aligns with the grant program objectives (must be no more than 100 words).

Anticipated start date *

Must be a date and between 1/5/2026 and 30/5/2027.

Anticipated end date *

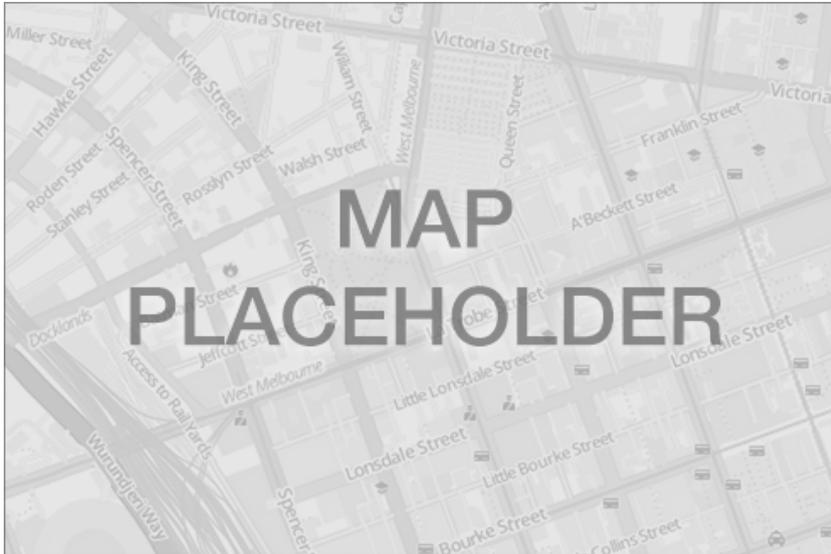
Must be a date and between 1/5/2026 and 30/5/2028.

Primary location of your initiative

Address

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Any, but at least one field is required. Country must be Australia
Primary location does not need to be a specific address, and can be postcode, suburb, state (NSW), etc
If delivered online, please specify the area of focus for delivery.

Target cohorts

Please select the cohorts that your project benefits *

- Aboriginal young people (10-17 years)
- Prevention and responding to youth offending
- Divert young people from court
- Support young people transitioning from custody
- Young people (10-17 years)
- Other:

At least 1 choice must be selected.
Please refer to Program Guidelines

Partnership

Is the applicant applying on behalf of a partnership? *

- Yes
- No

Number of Partners

Please estimate the number of partners that will collaborate on this initiative or project?

Must be a number.

Partnership Organisation Details

Please detail the primary partner for this proposal. You may be required to provide additional details in Stage 2, if invited to apply.

Partner Organisation Name *

Organisation Name

Partner Organisation ABN *

The ABN provided will be used to look up the following information. Click Lookup above to check that you have entered the ABN correctly.

Information from the Australian Business Register	
ABN	
Entity name	
ABN status	
Entity type	
Goods & Services Tax (GST)	
DGR Endorsed	
ATO Charity Type	More information
ACNC Registration	
Tax Concessions	
Main business location	

Must be an ABN.

Partner Organisation Primary Address *

Address

Address Line 1, Suburb/Town, State/Province, Postcode, and Country are required. Country must be Australia

Partner Organisation Primary Email *

Must be an email address.

Please attach a letter confirming that the Partnership/Consortium arrangement with this organisation is valid and current. *

Attach a file:

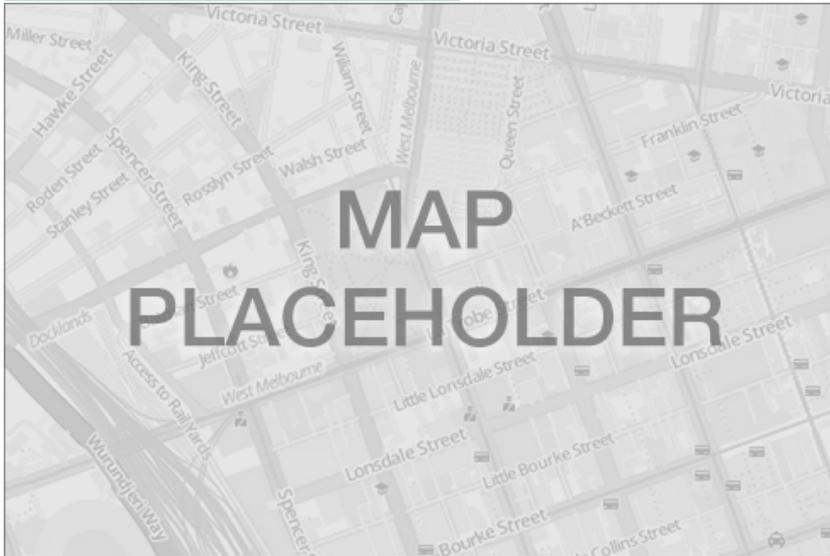
The letter must be signed by an authorised person (e.g., Manager, CEO or Board Chair) and must include: name, position, signature and date.

Additional Location/s

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Additional Locations - Please add any additional locations below:

Address



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Assessment Criteria

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Assessment Criteria

1. Alignment with objectives & activities
2. Local need and Support
3. Youth/family led
4. Cultural responsiveness
5. Collaboration and partnerships
6. Impact and outcomes

Organisations are required to demonstrate how your organisation will:

- design and deliver locally focused, community led solutions,
- prevent or respond to youth offending,
- strengthen families and improve community safety in your community.

1. Please demonstrate how your initiative, new or existing, aligns with the objectives of this grant program? *

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Word count:

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Must be no more than 250 words.

You will also be required to complete the Project Milestones and Key Deliverables as part of the Project Plan on the next page.

2. Please demonstrate how you will tailor your project to address the local needs of the community. *

Word count:

Must be no more than 250 words.

Outline your understanding of local need, needs of the target cohort, service gaps that your project aims to address and how you will tailor the project specific to the target group and community.

3. Please demonstrate how community knowledge and experience has informed the project and the role of young people and families to contribute to, or lead decision making. *

Word count:

Must be no more than 250 words.

This may include how community knowledge, insights and experienced of young people/families have contributed to the project proposal and the delivery.

4. Please describe how the design and implementation of your project is culturally responsive? *

Word count:

Must be no more than 250 words.

NOTE: For projects focused on Aboriginal young people and families, provide evidence of community support or partnerships with Aboriginal organisations (where appropriate).

Please provide evidence of community support or partnerships with Aboriginal organisations (where appropriate).

Attach a file:

This is only required for Projects focused on Aboriginal young people and families

5. Please demonstrate how your project will foster collaboration and strengthen relationships in the community? *

Word count:

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Must be no more than 250 words.

How will your project strengthen relationships, encourage collaboration in the targeted community?

6. Please detail the intended outcomes of your project and how they will contribute to meaningful and measurable impact for the target cohorts. *

Word count:

Must be no more than 250 words.

Outline the impact and outcomes your project expects to achieve within target cohorts and their community.

Budget Details / Project Plan

* indicates a required field

Amount Requested

Total Amount Requested *

Must be a whole dollar amount (no cents) and between 100000 and 300000.

What is the total financial support you are requesting in this application? This amount should match the total amount requested in your Community Safety Investment Fund - Project Plan

Total Project Cost *

Must be a dollar amount.

What is the total budgeted cost (dollars) of your project?

Would you accept delivering the proposed project with a lower funding amount than what you have requested above? *

- Yes
 No

Project Plan

Providers will need to complete the following as part of their application:

- Project Plan - including key milestones and activities
- Project Risk Plan - identifying potential risks and processes for managing these risks.
- Project Budget - detailed budget breakdown.

Please download the Project Plan form below, fill in all the details and upload the completed form with your application.

[Community Safety Investment Fund - Project Plan Template](#)

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Upload your completed Stream 2 Project Plan below: *

Attach a file:

Community Support

Does this project have community support? *

Yes No

Evidence of community support is generally highly regarded as projects with community buy-in tend to be more successful.

Evidence of Support

Please describe the nature of the community support and provide any available evidence (e.g. letters of support, consultation outcomes, endorsements, or partnerships). *

Word count:

Must be no more than 250 words.

If you believe there is community support but this has not yet been confirmed, please detail your rationale.

Please upload letters of support (if available)

Attach a file:

Current or past project successes

You have the option to provide supporting information demonstrating your experience delivering similar projects, although this is not mandatory. Please upload files and/or include a website link below.

Evidence of Project achievements

Attach a file:

Website

Must be a URL.

Bank Details and Authorised signatories

* indicates a required field

Bank Details

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You do not have to show transaction details, however, the statement must:

- Be for an account in the name of the applicant organisation
- Clearly show the BSB, account number and name of the account holder
- Be a statement on financial institution letterhead
- Not be an online transaction list

Applicant Organisation Contact Name *

Organisation Name

Applicant Organisation Contact Primary Bank Account *

Account Name

BSB Number Account Number

Must be a valid Australian bank account format.

Please provide a screen shot of the top of a recent bank statement for this account. *

Attach a file:

You do not have to show transaction details, however, the statement must: Be for an account in the name of the applicant Clearly show the BSB, account number and name of the account holder Be a statement on financial institution letterhead Not be an online transaction list

Authorised Signatories

- The Authorised Organisation Contact will receive formal correspondence from the Department of Communities and Justice and will be the organisation's **authorised delegated contact and sign the Grant Funding Agreement** .
- Grant Funding Agreements can only be signed by authorised officers of your organisation. This may be a member of the executive/committee as deemed under the Articles of Association or Constitution for a not-for-profit organisation, or the General Manager or delegated officer if you are a council.
- DCJ will add your contact details to the Payment and Contracting system. **Please note that each email address must be unique and cannot be associated with more than one individual.**
- It is your responsibility to update the Department of Communities and Justice of any contact detail changes during the delivery of the project.

Note: More information on DCJ authorised signatories is available on our [website](#). The 2 authorised signatories have delegated authority to sign on behalf of the organisation and should be the General Manager, CEO or Executive Officer, President, Organisation Board or Committee of Management Chair. It is your responsibility to update the Department of Communities and Justice of any contact details change during the delivery of the project.

(If your Organisation is formally partnering with an incorporated not-for-profit or NSW local council - this declaration must be signed by an Authorised signatory of the **subcontractor**.)

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1st Authorised Signatory

**1st Authorised Signatory
- Name ***

The authorised signatory has delegated authority to sign on behalf of the organisation and should be the General Manager, CEO or Executive Officer, President, Organisation Board or Committee of Management Chair.

**1st Authorised Signatory
- Position Title ***

**1st Authorised Signatory
- Phone Number ***

Must be an Australian phone number

**1st Authorised Signatory
- Email ***

Must be a UNIQUE email address. Please note, Group/Generic email addresses are not permitted.

2nd Authorised Signatory

**2nd Authorised
Signatory - Name ***

The authorised signatory has delegated authority to sign on behalf of the organisation and should be the General Manager, CEO or Executive Officer, President, Organisation Board or Committee of Management Chair.

**2nd Authorised
Signatory - Position Title ***

**2nd Authorised
Signatory - Phone
Number ***

Must be an Australian phone number

**2nd Authorised
Signatory - Email ***

Must be a UNIQUE email address. Please note, Group/Generic email addresses are not permitted.

Declaration and Authorisation

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Declaration

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The Applicant represents and warrants that this application has been submitted by an authorised representative of the Applicant (e.g. CEO, Chief Financial Officer, General Manager, Director, Chair of the Board, President, authorised manager etc).

Where this Application is submitted in the course of employment by a representative of any kind (e.g. authorised representative or agent) of the Applicant, you: (i) acknowledge and agree that the Applicant is deemed to be jointly and separately bound by this application; and (ii) represent and warrant that you have the authority to represent and bind the Applicant as contemplated by this provision.

By submitting this application form I hereby declare that:

- I agree for my project to be automatically considered in other NSW funding programs;
- I have read and understood each of the acknowledgements, agreements, representations and warranties provided above, and that each of these are true and correct;
- All information provided including the responses to each question in the relevant sections of this application is true and correct to the best of my knowledge;
- Any information contained in this application may be disclosed to other Government agencies, staff administering the program, and to external stakeholders (including consultants, lawyers and other advisers) as part of the assessment of this application;
- I am authorised to submit this application on behalf of, and have the authority to represent and bind the Applicant;
- I understand that any false declaration may render this application ineligible/invalid; and
- All relevant conflicts of interest have been declared

Registered Name of Organisation *

Authorisation

I agree *

Yes

Name of authorised person *

Title First Name Last Name

Must be a senior staff member, board member or appropriately authorised volunteer

Position *

Position held in applicant organisation (e.g. CEO, Treasurer)

Phone number *

Must be an Australian phone number.
We may contact you to verify that this application is authorised by the applicant organisation

Email *

Must be an email address.

Applicant Feedback

You are nearing the end of the application process. Before you review your application and click the **SUBMIT** button please take a few moments to provide some feedback.

How did you find the online application process?

- Very easy Easy Neutral Difficult Very difficult

Do you need addition support or resources when applying for a Grant.

Please provide us with your suggestions about any improvements and/or additions to the application process/form that you think we need to consider.

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