



GANDEL PHILANTHROPY COMMUNITY GRANTS GRANT GUIDELINES

Gandel Philanthropy provides **Community Grants** to community organisations to deliver specific projects within the Areas of Interest outlined below. Funding for these grants is limited to a **maximum of \$40,000**.

Eligibility

Gandel Philanthropy may only give grants to eligible charitable organisations that fulfil the following requirements:

- They are charitable at law;
- They have the Deductible Gift Recipient (DGR) status - provision for gift deductibility must be under *Item 1*, or they must be specifically named as a DGR in Subdivision 30-15 of the Income Tax Assessment Act 1997;
- Endorsed as Tax Concession Charity (TCC).

Applicants must supply copies of the relevant documents with each application. Please note that print-outs from the ABN Lookup website will not be accepted.

What is a **Community Grant**?

The Gandel Philanthropy **Community Grants** are aimed at supporting the delivery of programs that are of a smaller scale and can generally be completed within 12 months. Funding preference is to support smaller to medium-sized charitable organisations, although larger organisations can also apply. The aim is to support programs that are effective, that will deliver a clear and positive community outcome and that have the potential of providing longer-term benefits to the target audience.



Maximum grant size within the **Community Grant** category is **\$40,000** and the funding is envisaged as a one-off grant for a defined purpose. Funding can be directed towards a range of needs including, but not limited to, funding for a specific program or activity or a component of a program, purchase of equipment or refurbishment, support for a research project etc. In principle, and where applicable, preference will be to support programs that have the potential to assist the most marginalised or vulnerable groups in the community and those facing social or economic isolation.

Gandel Philanthropy granting philosophy

In providing grants to charitable community organisations, Gandel Philanthropy will give preference to programs and activities aligned with our granting philosophy:

- “ **Community need & impact:** We will seek to fund programs that *meet a genuine, identified need* and that have the potential for *significant or direct community impact and benefit, and broader implementation*;
- “ **Prevention:** We will aim to support programs that focus on *addressing the root causes* of social or economic inequity, not just remediation;
- “ **Innovation & sustainability:** We will also seek to support programs that offer *innovative and creative solutions* to issues and programs that have the potential to *be sustainable over the longer term*;
- “ **Effectiveness & operational strength:** We will aim to support organisations that have a *strong track record* in meeting the community's needs; that appropriately address the *accountability, monitoring and evaluation* in their programs; and that promote *diversity, inclusion and volunteerism*;
- “ **Linkages:** We will support and embrace organisations that work in *cooperation and partnership* within their program work and that actively *encourage collaboration* with key stakeholders in a given field.



Application process

All potential applicants are encouraged to contact Gandel Philanthropy to discuss their project proposal before submitting an application.

Applications for **Community Grants** are accepted throughout the year and there are no specific closing dates. Gandel Philanthropy will aim to make determinations on **Community Grants** applications approximately four times a year. In some situations it may, however, take some months from the submission of an application until a decision is made. Applicant organisations should allow for this in their planning.

Gandel Philanthropy must receive the application form in hard copy format, complete with the duly signed privacy statement and the required attachments. You can also forward an email copy to Gandel Philanthropy, in addition to the hard copy (see "Documentation Checklist" section of the Application Form).

All applicants will be advised on the outcome of their grant request. The decision of Gandel Philanthropy is final and no discussion in relation to the outcome will be entered into, although general feedback may be provided. Successful applicants will be advised of the timing of the receipt of their cheque and provided with the standard Grant Conditions. All grant recipients are required to adhere to grant conditions.

While there is a preference to support organisations delivering programs within Victoria, **Community Grants** are generally open for application by charitable organisations and for programs across Australia.

If successful in receiving a grant, please note that the Acquittal Report is required to be completed at the completion of the approved project. The relevant Acquittal Form will be provided at the time of confirming the grant.



Areas of Interest

Through its **Community Grants**, Gandel Philanthropy aims to respond to the immediate needs in the community in a wide range of areas. Currently there are six areas of interest:

- **Arts & Culture** - (includes performing and visual arts, support for museums and galleries);
- **Education** - (includes early and adult education, specialised educational programs, leadership programs, minor research, school and university initiatives);
- **Health & Medical Research** - (includes medical equipment, minor research, promotion and prevention activities and other health programs, with specific focus on children, ageing, mental health, disability and chronic diseases);
- **Community Development** (includes support for organisational development and capacity building initiatives, with the aim of strengthening community organisations to deliver better services and programs);
- **Social Cohesion & Inclusion** - (includes initiatives that build community spirit, promote tolerance and support marginalised or vulnerable groups to remain active in their community);
- **Poverty & Disadvantage** - (includes direct support programs and welfare activities that help alleviate and address poverty and disadvantage in the community, crisis or emergency support, material aid, and small-scale research programs).



General exclusions

Please note the following exclusions for **Community Grants**:

- ~ We are unable to fund individuals;
- ~ We will not provide retrospective funding or funding for recurrent administrative costs;
- ~ Preference is given towards supporting Victorian organisations and programs;
- ~ If organisations are based outside Victoria, but they have a national focus or address a broader community issue, we will consider such requests;
- ~ We do not provide continuous funding to organisations;
- ~ We will not grant funds for programs that duplicate existing services;
- ~ We will not grant funds for auspiced applications;
- ~ We will not grant funds to government bodies;
- ~ We will not accept applications that have been previously unsuccessful;
- ~ We will not accept submissions from organisations that have applied to Gandel Philanthropy in the last 6 months (whether successful or not), or those that have not acquitted previous project(s) funded by us;
- ~ We will not grant funds for activities that may be deemed harmful to the community or the environment;
- ~ We do not fund personal expenses.

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