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Shadow Minister Ann Leahy's Volunteer Update May Edition

New Grant Opportunities

Gambling Community Benefit Fund - Round 122

The next standard round for grants of up to a maximum of \$35,000 available to eligible not-for-profit community groups will open in mid-September 2024 and close 30 November 2024. New applicants are encouraged to watch the tutorials on the website. To check eligibility requirements and understand your organisation's responsibilities throughout all stages of the grant funding process, read the guidelines for GCBF applicants and instructions about using the GCBF grant. Contact the GCBF team on phone 1800 633 619; Ann Leahy's Electorate Office Ph 1800 625 430 or email: cbf@justice.qld.gov.au; if you need help. For more information visit: http://www.justice.qld.gov.au/corporate/sponsorships-and-grants/grants/community-benefit-funding-programs

Alpha First Aid Community Grant

A grant of \$500 is applicable towards Mindray Beneheart C1A Save A Life AED Bundles unless otherwise negotiated. Applicants must be a community group, community sports club, not for profit, or charity. For more information Ph 1300 725 255 or 07 3341 8033, email: infor@alphafirstaid.com.au or Ann Leahy's Electorate Office Ph 1800 625 430 or visit: https://www.alphafirstaid.com.au/aed-grant

Queensland Veterans' Council ANZAC Day Trust Fund 2024 Grants

Applications close on 17 June 2024 for grants to organisations that support the welfare of veterans and their dependents in Queensland through two separate streams: Under Stream A, smaller organisations can apply for grants up to \$10,000 for the reimbursement of eligible expenditure incurred during the 2022-2023 financial year (that is, July 2022 to June 2023). Stream B will provide grants of up to \$100,000 per organisation to fund future services and activities that support veterans and their dependents. Stream B applications are subject to a merit based and competitive assessment process. For more information please access guidelines https://qvc.qld.gov.au/assets/documents/adtf-grant-program-2024-guidelines.pdf contact Queensland Veterans' Council Secretariat, Ph 07 3003 9950 email: anzacdaytrustfund@qvc.qld.gov.au/anzac-day-trust-fund.aspx

Sport and Recreation Disaster Recovery Program

Applications close 27 June 2024. To be eligible for funding, an organisation must be located in a Local Government Area (LGA) listed as activated for either "Personal Hardship Assistance" or "Reconstruction of Essential Public Assets" on the Queensland Government's Disaster Management website.

https://www.qra.qld.gov.au/disaster-funding-activations/activations the program supports not-for-profit

sport and recreation organisations with funding of up to \$5,000 to re-establish their facilities and activities after recent extreme weather events including bushfires. Funding of up to \$5000 may be available for eligible sport and active recreation organisations located in areas declared under the Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements (DRFA). Sport and Recreation Clubs and Associations are urged to contact their nearest Sport and Recreation Office https://www.qld.gov.au/recreation/sports/office-locations to discuss their eligibility for the assistance on offer. For more information visit: https://www.qld.gov.au/recreation/sports/funding/disaster-recovery or Ann Leahy's Electorate Office Ph

https://www.qld.gov.au/recreation/sports/funding/disaster-recovery or Ann Leahy's Electorate Office Ph 1800 625 430.

Emerging Artist Grants Program

Applications close 18 June 2024. The Emerging Artist Grants program offers grants of up to \$15,000 to assist talented emerging and early-career artists in taking up professional development opportunities. For more information visit https://www.ianpotterculturaltrust.org.au/opportunities/emerging-artist-grants/#:~:text=Encouraging%20and%20supporting%20the%20diversity,professional%20development%20opportunities%2C%20usually%20overseas. or Ann Leahy's Electorate Office Ph 1800 625 430.

My Mummy Grants

Applications close 16 June 2024. The My Mummy Grants program offers grants of \$5,000; \$7,500 and \$10,000 to mums in business to cover the costs of their online coaching programs, boot camps and 1:1 mentorship. For more information visit: https://mymummy.com.au/my-mummy-grants/ or Ann Leahy's Electorate Office Ph 1800 625 430.

Grant for Good

Applications close 10 June 2024. The Grant for Good is an annual \$20,000 community grant to provide help to projects, organisations and initiatives that promote social inclusion activities, health and wellbeing, sports and other fields that benefit communities. For more information email marketing@banksyd.com.au; visit https://www.banksyd.com.au/grantforgood or Ann Leahy's Electorate Office Ph 1800 625 430.

Start Small, Dream Big Grants

Applications close 7 June 2024. Twenty grants of \$1,500 are available to early childhood services or schools to set up or expand the school's cooking and gardening facilities. For more information Ph. 1300 072 543; email support@kitchengardenfoundation.org.au; visit https://kitchengardenfoundation.formtitan.com/ftproject/colesssdb_v1 or Ann Leahy's Electorate Office Ph 1800 625 430.

Previous Grant Opportunities

Women and Change

The 2024 Women and Change grant of up to \$50,000 will open for Expressions of Interest from 1st July 2024. Offering a grant of up to \$50,000 to eligible charitable organisations with Deductible Gift Recipient (DGR) status for projects that stem from innovative ideas for grassroots programs in regional and remote Queensland. For more information and to check eligibility guidelines, go to:

https://www.womenandchange.com.au/contact-us/ contact Ann Leahy's Electorate Office Ph 1800 625 430 or visit: https://www.womenandchange.com.au/

Dick Smith Grants CCTV Cameras for Remote and Small Rural Airports

Grants are available for installation of on line weather cameras to enable pilots to carry out weather assessments in real time. For more information email: cameraoffer@auswebcams.com; contact Ann Leahy's Electorate Office Ph 1800 625 430 or visit: https://www.pprune.org/pacific-general-aviation-questions/658572-dick-smith-invests-more-airport-weather-cameras-april-2024-a.html

The Honda Foundation

Applications for monetary funding requests, or Honda Hero Loan Vehicle are now open. Please ensure that you download the appropriate application form and complete all fields except the Honda Centre Authorisation section. To apply first locate your nearest authorised Motor Vehicle Honda Centre and request to speak with the Dealer Principal. If the Dealer Principal endorses your application, the application needs to be submitted via email by 5 July 2024 to honda.com.au For more information or assistance please provide your details via email to:

honda.foundation@honda.com.au contact Ann Leahy's Electorate Office Ph 1800 625 430 or visit: Application | The Honda Foundation

National Council of Women of Queensland Inc. 2024 Bursary Program

Applications close on 3 June 2024. Bursaries will be on offer for Queensland females from Year 12 to PhD students, covering a wide range of studies. Applicants are encouraged to apply for as many bursaries for which they are eligible. Successful applicants will demonstrate qualities of leadership; community service; perseverance; and determination, often despite life's obstacles, to follow their personal and professional passions. For more information and assistance please contact: Kathy Cavanagh, Bursary Program Coordinator by email: bursaries@ncwq.org.au; Ann Leahy's Electorate Office Ph 1800 625 430 or visit: www.ncwq.org.au/bursaries

The 'Pick of the Crop' Program Health and Wellbeing Queensland

With a focus on creating a love of nutritious vegetables and fruit in schools across Queensland the program tackles the ongoing and persistent low intake of vegetables among children. For more information contact: your Pick of the Crop Regional Coordinator via Health and Wellbeing Qld at pickofthecrop@hw.qld.gov.au; Ann Leahy's Electorate Office Ph 1800 625 430 or visit: https://hw.qld.gov.au/pick-of-the-crop/

Strengthening Rural Communities (SRC) Small & Vital Grants

Applications close on 5 June 2024 for grants up to \$10,000 available for a broad range of grassroots, community-led initiatives that directly and clearly benefit local communities to strengthen local people, places and climate solutions, with a preference given to smaller communities (populations under 15,000). Applications are accepted on an ongoing basis and assessed quarterly. If you have significant issues accessing a stable internet connection, please contact our team to discuss an alternative way of applying: Ph: 1800 170 020 or Email: info@frrr.org.au For more information contact Ann Leahy's Electorate

Office Ph 1800 625 430 or visit: https://frrr.org.au/funding/place/src-small-vital/

Strengthening Rural Communities (SRC) Prepare & Recover program

Applications close 5 June 2024 for grants up to \$25,000 to support communities in remote, rural and regional communities across Australia to implement initiatives that prevent and prepare for future climate related impacts or recover from existing disasters in the medium to long-term timeframe, generally one to ten years after the disaster. For more information: Ph: 1800 170 020, email: info@frrr.org.au Ann Leahy's Electorate Office Ph 1800 625 430 or visit: https://frrr.org.au/funding/place/src-prepare-recover/

School Student Broadband Initiative (SSBI) - free internet for eligible students

NBN Co is leading implementation of this initiative and is working closely with industry, government and community organisations that support the wellbeing of families who could benefit from the SSBI. To qualify, a family must: have a child that is enrolled in an Australian school that does not currently have an active NBN network internet service at their home (having a mobile internet service does not affect eligibility) and live in premises that can access the NBN network through a standard connection. Families can find out more or sign up by contacting the National Referral Centre on 1800 954 610, Monday to Friday between 9am and 5pm, contact Ann Leahy's Electorate Office Ph 1800 625 430 or visit: www.anglicarevic.org.au/student-internet

RACO Foundation Resilience Grant and Recovery Grant

Applications close 4 October 2024 RACQ Foundation helps Queensland community groups, charities, organisations, First Nations Councils and clubs impacted by natural disasters. This includes both recovery grants and resilience-based project grants which may relate to physical, nature-based and social solutions. Please contact RACQ Foundation Coordinator via email: racqfoundation@racq.com.au if you would like to discuss your application. If you are having trouble filling out the form, email: racqfoundation@racq.com.au or Ph 07 3872 8603. For more information contact Ann Leahy's Electorate Office Ph 1800 625 430 or visit: https://www.racq.com.au/about-us/community/racq-foundation

Telstra Footy Country Grants

All Community Club's affiliated to the AFL can apply for up to \$20,000 in funding per club for things like safety and training equipment, finance and software upgrades, volunteer resources and growing the game for young girls. There are four rounds opening between February and June with a final closing date of 7th August 2024. For eligibility criteria visit: https://play.afl/sites/default/files/2023-09/telstra-footy-country-grants-criteria.pdf For more information Ph 1800 752 9235, Ann Leahy's Electorate Office Ph 1800 625 430 or visit: https://www.telstra.com.au/exchange/how-to-apply-for-telstra-footy-country-grants

Ann Leahy's Scholarships Guide

The Guide is a summary of contact numbers and website addresses for scholarships at major universities, agricultural colleges, training and apprenticeship information, and a listing of scholarships in a range of areas such as rural industry, veterinary, medicine, pharmacy, teaching, sport, engineering and the arts. Year 12 students in the Warrego Electorate will receive a copy of the 2023/24 Guide, however should any other students, teachers or mature age students require a copy it will be made available upon request from

my Electorate Offices Ph 1800 814 479 or Ph 1800 625 430 or email warrego@parliament.qld.gov.au

<u>SwimStart Vouchers – Learn to Swim Program</u>

SwimStart is a new voucher program to support learn to swim activities for babies to 4-year-olds. Parents, carers or guardians can apply for a voucher valued up to \$150 for their child, which can be used towards swimming lessons with a registered SwimStart activity provider. There is a limit of 1 voucher per child per financial year. For more information, email swimstartvouchers@dtis.qld.gov.au Ph 13 74 68; contact Ann Leahy's Electorate Office Ph 1800 625 430 or visit:

https://www.qld.gov.au/recreation/sports/funding/swimstart

Small Environment Grant Scheme

Applications are open. The Scheme provides grants for projects about flora and fauna conservation around Australia covering monitoring, recording and sharing data; delivering community education; providing community capacity building and research and science. For more information Ph. 0431 219 980; Ann Leahy's Electorate Office Ph 1800 625 430 or visit https://wettenhall.org.au/grants/small-environmental-grants/

Self-employment Assistance

This program provides support to people interested in starting their own business or who need help to refocus an existing small business. This assistance includes: business plan development, free accredited small business training, business advice sessions and small business coaching. Applications are open at any time. For more information Ph 1800 805 260; Ann Leahy's Electorate Office Ph 1800 625 430 or visit: https://business.gov.au/grants-and-programs/self-employment-assistance-dewr

Domino's Give for Good

Eligible Australian registered charities and not-for-profit organisations are encouraged to reach out to their local store. Successful applications must target the wellbeing of the local community and drive long term positive outcomes. For more information and to access Give for Good guidelines, visit: https://www.giveforgood.org.au/guidelines-for-support or contact Ann Leahy's Electorate Office Ph 1800 625 430.

Buy Smart 2023

School-aged students can learn vital consumer skills and win cash prizes for themselves and their school or community group. For more information Ph. 13 74 68; Ann Leahy's Electorate Office Ph 1800 625 430 or visit: https://www.qld.gov.au/law/fair-trading/buy-smart-competition

Grants offered by Councils

Have you checked your local Council's website? Most Councils offer grant programs or in-kind support to help local non-profit community groups develop and improve community facilities and services.

Matana Foundation for Young People Grants

Matana's focus is on improving the welfare and wellbeing of young people from severely disadvantages or marginalised backgrounds, or whose concerns and issues are not readily funded from other sources.

Mantana provides grants in the range of \$1,000 to \$10,000 to organisations that hold Deductible Gift Recipient or Tax Concession Charity endorsements from the Australian Tax Office. Applicants will need to demonstrate the tangible impact the organisation's work in improving the welfare or wellbeing of disadvantaged young people, particularly where the organisations core activities correlate with Matana's funding priorities. For more information email info@mantanafoundation.org.au; Ann Leahy's Electorate Office Ph 1800 625 430 or visit http://matanafoundation.org.au/apply-for-a-grant

The Brisbane Broncos Charities Fund (BBCF)

Applications must be submitted in the last week of the month prior to BBCF Meetings that are held quarterly in February, May, August and November. Open to Queensland based charities endorsed by the Australian Tax Office as a Deductible Gift Recipient (DGR) under Item 1 of the table in section 30-15 of the Income Assessment Act 1997. Financial assistance must be directed to underprivileged and disadvantaged youth of Queensland. All applications must be received in writing with an official request from the participating charity AND the completed Grant Application Form

https://www.broncos.com.au/siteassets/2023/03/bbcf-grant-application-2023.pdf to: Brigid Donelly, email: community@broncos.com.au For more information visit:

https://www.broncos.com.au/community/charities-fund/

Inger Rice Foundation Grants

Applications are ongoing, with grants available to eligible applicants of up to \$5,000. The Inger Rice Foundation seeks to fund incorporated organisations with supporting relationships between young children (0-5) and their families/carers. Preference is given to disadvantaged communities. The Foundation's objective is to promote children's health, welfare and development. For more information phone Youth Affairs Network Queensland on 0407 655 785; Ann Leahy's Electorate Office Ph 1800 625 430 or visit https://www.yanq.org.au/sector-news/inger-rice-foundation-grants

Ski for Life

Applicants are invited to detail their project for funding that must align with Ski for Life's mission of promoting mental health, wellbeing and suicide prevention. This is a multi-step form that collects the information required to process your applications. Please ensure that you fill out all applicable fields. Make sure that you step through the entire form, otherwise, your application will not be processed. Projects must be completed within 12 months from receipt of funding. Before applying for a Ski for Life grant, please read the Grant Guidelines at: https://www.skiforlife.com.au/grants For enquiries regarding your eligibility or any other question please contact Ski for Life at https://www.skiforlife.com.au/contact visit: https://www.skiforlife.com.au/ or contact Ann Leahy's Electorate Office Ph 1800 625 430.

The Charitable Recyclers Reimbursement Program

Provides funding to reimburse waste levy payments made by eligible charitable recycling entities who were unable to use their existing Certificate of Exempt Waste under section 28 of the Waste Reduction and Recycling Act 2011 (the Act). To be eligible, an applicant must be a charitable recycling entity with an approved Certificate of Exempt Waste under section 28 of the Act. Applications must also be made by the legal entity that holds the Certificate of Exempt Waste. Applicants are able to apply for

reimbursement on a quarterly basis. For information about eligibility and how to apply visit: https://www.qld.gov.au/ data/assets/pdf file/0021/138027/crrp-guidelines.pdf Applicants can also contact the Program Manager by email: wasteprograms@des.qld.gov.au or Ann Leahy's Electorate Office Ph 1800 625 430.

Australian Red Cross - Drought Resilience Program

This ongoing program aims to support communities, organisations, services and leaders to manage the psychosocial impacts of living with dryness. The program offers: Workshops and training for organisations and service providers about communicating in times of stress, 'supporting the supporters' and psychological first aid. Applicants can include group-mart configured references. Wellbeing support and practical assistance at community events, gatherings and meetings, as well as outreach direct to homes and properties. For more information contact 1800 733 276; email macampbell@redcross.org.au; Ann Leahy's Electorate Office Ph 1800 625 430 or visit:

https://www.redcross.org.au/emergencies/drought-resilience-program/

The Great Barrier Reef Education Experience Program

Provides up to \$150 per student paid directly to schools to go towards the cost of a school excursion which includes a reef experience from Bundaberg to Cooktown. To be eligible for the subsidy the school excursion itinerary must include at least one curriculum-related reef activity, facilitated by a commercial reef tourism operator registered with the program, operating within the Great Barrier Reef Marine Park and World Heritage boundaries. Applications for the education subsidy are now open to schools for excursions undertaken until June 2024. For morning information contact 1300 175 614; email: QldEducationExperiences@thebusygroup.com.au; Ann Leahy's Electorate Office Ph 1800 625 430 or visit: https://www.qldeducationexperiences.org.au/

Outback Queensland Education Experience Program

The Outback Queensland Education Experience Program encourages teachers to take their students to Outback Queensland and integrate its rich history and heritage into school learning. It provides the opportunity for students to learn from and give back to Outback communities by experiencing life on the land. Subsidies are available depending on the distance travelled from the school to the outback locations visited. For more information contact 1300 175 614; email:

QldEducationExperiences@thebusygroup.com.au; Ann Leahy's Electorate Office Ph 1800 625 430 or visit: https://www.qldeducationexperiences.org.au/

The Queensland Off-The-Track (QOTT) Event Sponsorship Program

Applications from all Queensland Associations and Organisations across any equestrian or domestic horse sport discipline are encouraged for sponsorship for equestrian and domestic horse sport Events, Series and Clinics across all disciplines to create competition opportunities and stimulating the demand for retired thoroughbred and standardbred racehorses. If you require assistance with completing the application, please contact QOTT at offthetrack@racingqueensland.com.au or Ann Leahy's Electorate

Office Ph 1800 625 430. For more information, visit: https://www.racingqueensland.com.au/animal-care/off-the-track/event-sponsorship

Rural Aid - Counselling and Wellbeing Service

Rural Aid offers free, confidential counselling to registered farmers and their family. They conduct counselling at the place that best suits, on farm, in town or over the phone. Rural Aid counsellors are professionally trained to help support people navigate all kinds of life challenges but come with an understanding of the unique needs of rural people. For more information Ph 1300 175 594, Ann Leahy's Electorate Office Ph 1800 625 430 or visit https://www.ruralaid.org.au/services-provided/

QRIDA Farm Management Grants

Farm Management Grants offer primary producers a 50 per cent rebate on the cost of eligible professional advice up to a maximum \$2,500 to produce a Farm Business Resilience Plan for their property. For more information on guidelines and the application process, visit:

https://www.qrida.qld.gov.au/program/farm-management-grants or contact Ann Leahy's Electorate Office Ph 1800 625 430.

ORIDA Drought Preparedness Grants

Primary producers can apply for a grant of 25 per cent of the cost of purchasing new permanent capital infrastructure to a maximum cumulative amount of \$50,000 over five years. This co-contribution grant is designed to assist primary producers undertake on-farm capital improvements that will improve the drought preparedness of their property. For more information on guidelines and the application process, visit: https://www.qrida.qld.gov.au/program/drought-preparedness-grants or contact Ann Leahy's Electorate Office Ph 1800 625 430.

South West Indigenous Network - Sporting Pathways Program

Grants of \$1,000 are available to assist with the costs of competing, which can often exempt families from being able to send their young Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to sporting competitions, to represent their communities at regional and state level. For more information: contact the following personnel; Maranoa Balonne Region, email: maranoabalonne@swin.org.au or Ph 0438 206 821; Toowoomba and Darling Downs, email: coordinator@swin.org.au or Ph 0437 338 838; Cunnamulla and Far West, email: cunnamulla@swin.org.au Ph 0408 802 276; Ann Leahy's Electorate Office Ph 1800 625 430 or visit: https://www.swin.org.au/programs/pathways-program/

IOOF Foundation Community Grants

To be eligible for funding from IOOF Foundation, charitable organisations must have an Australian Taxation Office Deductible Gift Recipient (DGR) endorsement. Open on an ongoing basis this program provides grants that support Australian not-for-profit organisations working with disadvantaged families, disadvantaged children and youth, and aged care. For more information email:

enquiries@iooffoundation.org.au; call_Ann Leahy's Electorate Office Ph 1800 625 430 or visit: https://www.insigniafinancial.com.au/corporate-responsibility/ioof-foundation/guidelines



Tennis Australia - Facility Loan Scheme

Open for applications on an ongoing basis this program aims to assist affiliated Australian tennis clubs, centres and associations with upgrades, replacements and improvements to their tennis facilities, by providing low interest loans. For more information visit: https://www.tennis.com.au/clubs/funding-and-facilities or contact Ann Leahy's Electorate Office Ph 1800 625 430.

AgFunding Database

Looking for farm loans, grants, scholarships or agriculture funding opportunities to develop your skills, expand your farming business or support in a time of need? The Australian AgFunding farm database brings together funding programs relevant to Australian farmers, rural Australians and agribusinesses, from across government, educational, community and private institutions. Visit: https://farmtable.com.au/grants-funding/ or contact Ann Leahy's Electorate Office Ph 1800 625 430.

Santos Community Sponsorships

Applications are being accepted for community sponsorships via Santos online portal in the geographic areas of the Cooper Basin in northeast South Australia and South West Queensland, the Maranoa and Gladstone regions in Queensland. The purpose of Santos community sponsorships is to create social value by building capacity, leading to benefits such as improved social inclusion, increased skills, environmental preservation, stronger local businesses and economies, as well as positive health outcomes. For more information email: community.sponsorships@santos.com; contact Ann Leahy's Electorate Office Ph 1800 625 430 or visit: https://www.santos.com/sustainability/community-and-supply-chain/sponsorships/

The Rural Financial Counselling Service Southern Queensland (RFCS-SQ)

Rural Financial Counselling Service Southern Queensland provides free, impartial, confidential, and responsive rural financial counselling services, supporting and assisting primary producers, and small and medium businesses experiencing financial hardship. For more information, Small and Medium Business call 1300 732 777, Primary Producers 07 4622 5500 or visit: https://www.rfcssq.org.au/. If you do not have internet access, please contact Ann Leahy's Electorate Office Ph 1800 625 430 for assistance.

OCWA Public Rural Crisis Fund (PRCF)

The QCWA are currently assisting farmers and their families in general financial hardship with household support as well as those in flood and drought affected areas, in every part of Queensland. Assistance is limited to one successful application per calendar year. Support is given in the form of grocery vouchers, store credit or being able to pay some overdue accounts such as utility bills. For more information, Ph 07 3236 6419 email: prcf@qcwa.org.au; Ann Leahy's Electorate Office Ph 1800 625 430 or visit: https://qcwa.org.au/Public-Rural-Crisis-Fund

Regional Development Australia Darling Downs and South West Queensland

Regional development Australia Darling Downs and South West QLD is providing information on available grants from the government, corporate and private sectors. For more information visit https://www.rda-ddsw.org.au/current-grants/



Other Grants and Assistance available to Businesses and Employers, Individuals and Households:

To find information and stay up-to-date on the Australian Government's latest support for businesses and employers, individuals and households visit: https://treasury.gov.au/ or call 13 28 46. For Queensland Government business grants and assistance visit: https://www.business.qld.gov.au/ or Ph 1300 654 687.

Cost of living support

Families and individuals are encouraged to check their eligibility for concessions and other support, by visiting: https://www.qld.gov.au/community/cost-of-living-support/concessions and https://www.servicesaustralia.gov.au/

If you do not have internet access or require assistance, please contact Ann Leahy's Electorate Office Ph 1800 625 430 or warrego@parliament.qld.gov.au; for further information regarding any of these grant programs.