2026 Universal Charitable Fund grant round 1

Australian Communities Foundation

Eligibility

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You MUST be able to answer YES to all the following questions to apply:

- Your organisation is an Australian charity
- Your organisation is registered with ACNC
- Your organisation is endorsed as Tax Concession Charity (TCC)
- Your organisations has Deductible Gift Recipient 1 status (DGR1)

Choices

Yes
No

Ineligible

Unfortunately you are not eligible to receive funding from Universal Charitable Fund at this time.

Organisation details

Organisation phone*

Character Limit: 250

Organisation Website

Character Limit: 2000

Organisation ABN*

Character Limit: 250

Does your organisation have Deductible Gift Recipient (DGR1) status?*

Choices

Yes
No

Does your organisation have Income Tax Exempt charity (ITEC) status?*

Choices

Yes
No

ACNC Registration*

Please provide a link to your ACNC registration. See here to search your organisation on ACNC.

Character Limit: 2000

Entity Status*

Choices

Incorporated Association
Unincorporated
Registered Company
Other

If other, what is your organisation's entity status?

Character Limit: 250

Is your organisation governed by a Board or Management Committee?

Choices

Yes
No

Does your organisation receive government funding?*

Choices

Yes
No

Total income p.a. $*

Character Limit: 250

Number of programs*

Character Limit: 5

Number of paid staff*

Character Limit: 250

Number of volunteers*

Character Limit: 250

Annual amount of wages/salaries $*

Character Limit: 250

Organisation summary*

Provide a brief description of your organisation, including when and where it was formed, the purpose of its existence and its experience.

Character Limit: 1500

Project details

Project Name*

Character Limit: 250

Project area*

UCF's priority is to fund smaller Australian organisations (less than $1 million income) whose application should fit into one (or more) of the following areas:

Choices

Education
Health
Building self-sufficient communities (sustainable)
Children and youth

Provide a short summary of the project to which this application relates.*

Aim, objectives and name of the project?

Character Limit: 1500

How would the grant funds sought be used to assist in meeting the objectives of the project?*

UCF grant funds can only be used for direct project costs and cannot be used for administration

Character Limit: 1500

What are the expected outcomes from the use of the grant funds for this purpose?*

Please use measurable outcomes – eg volunteer and paid tutors will provide 20 students with special needs 10 hours of study support each. Directors pay particular attention to this section.

Character Limit: 1500

When do you expect the project to be completed?*

Character Limit: 250

Budget

Total project cost*

Character Limit: 20

Funding secured so far (optional)

Existing funding is not a requirement.

Character Limit: 20

Amount sought from UCF?*

UCF grants typically range from $500 - $3000 AUD

Character Limit: 20

Project expenses:

(itemise broadly)

	Expense Description	Amount ($)
Expense 1		
Expense 2		
Expense 3		
Expense 4		
Expense 5		
Total project cost		

Project income:

	Income description	Income ($)

UCF Grant request		
Income 2		
Income 3		
Income 4		
Income 5		
Total Income		

Additional information and certification

How did you hear about UCF?

Character Limit: 1000

Additional Information

Please provide below any other information that you would like considered

Character Limit: 1500

Certification and Acknowledgement*

- I certify that to the best of my knowledge the statements made within this application are true and correct, and I understand that if the applicant organisation is approved for this grant, it will be required to accept the terms and conditions of the grant as outlined in the grant agreement.

Choices

Yes
No

Feedback on this grant application

To ensure we provide a good experience to all our applicants, we would appreciate your feedback on the form process.

Please note your responses here will not affect the outcome of the grant decision and these answers will not be forwarded to the selection committee as part of your application.

Please select the option that best describes how you found the online application process

1 = Very easy 2 = Easy 3 = Neutral 4 = Difficult 5 = Very difficult

Scoring Options: 1 - 5

How many minutes did it take you to prepare and submit your application?

Character Limit: 4

Other comments

Please provide us with your suggestions about any improvements and/or additions to the application process/form.

Character Limit: 750