

Emergency investment

Process for applying for emergency investment

BACKGROUND

The Queensland Government invests in responses to urgent and unexpected community legal needs that arise from emergencies such as natural disasters. Responses are targeted and have no on-going costs. Emergency investment is not used to fund foreseen operational expenses (i.e. relocation costs) or core activities provided for under service delivery funding.

In 2014-17, approximately \$500,000 per annum has been set aside to allow the Attorney-General to attend to urgent and unexpected community legal needs.

PROCESS

To be eligible to apply for emergency investment, the applicant must currently receive funding from the Queensland Government to deliver legal assistance or justice services in Queensland.

Applications should be emailed to: LPITAF@justice.qld.gov.au.

The Legal Practitioner Interest on Trust Accounts Fund (LPITAF) Committee:

- will consider applications for emergency investment;
- may seek feedback from the Queensland Legal Assistance Forum in relation to the emergency, identified community legal need and proposed response (if required); and
- will provide feedback to the Attorney-General to inform his final decision on emergency investment.

