

MAKE A DIFFERENCE

Create safer communities
with a Community-based Crime
Action grant.



Community-based Crime Action

Digital Factsheet

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Background

The Queensland Government is committed to reducing youth offending and improving community safety across Queensland. The [Youth Justice Strategy 2019–2023: Working Together Changing the Story](#), guides the government's approach to the Youth Justice Crime Prevention Grants (CPG). These grants support short-term or one-off projects that address specific local youth crime issues, allowing communities to implement their own solutions.

What are the Community-based Crime Action grants?

The Community-based Crime Action (CBCA) grants, are intended to engage local communities, businesses and organisations in the design and delivery of new ideas to deliver short-term programs/projects that address local youth crime issues and respond to young people at-risk of offending or involved in the youth justice system.

Building on or complementing existing local responses and knowledge, CBCA grants will support innovative solutions that build community confidence and feelings of safety and affect lasting, meaningful changes and connections for young people.

Projects will meet the needs of the young people, their families, and the broader community.

It is about building community confidence and safety by:

- building on strengths within a community
- creating community networks and connections
- delivering locally driven responses to support young people to realise goals
- investing in things that will make communities safe now and in the future.

For young people, it is about making a difference to their lives by:

- healing their connections
- reconnecting them
- strengthening their connections
- keeping them connected.

All community members—family and kin, Elders, mentors, local businesses, not-for-profit organisations and social enterprises—can be involved in supporting young people and influencing positive and long-lasting change to reduce offending behaviour.

What funds are available?

The 2023-24 CBCA grants will provide up to \$5 million in funds for short term or one-off local projects in communities across Queensland, with funding of between \$5,000 and \$75,000 per project available.



What projects will be considered?

A project will be considered if it:

- focuses on responses that are prosocial, activity-based and targets young people at-risk of offending or involved in the youth justice system
- has clear goals that address the identified areas of emerging need in response to youth crime and local community concerns
- is culturally appropriate and includes evidence of community support and partnerships with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander and/or Culturally and Linguistically Diverse peoples and communities
- targeted at prevention and early intervention responses aimed at keeping the community safe and supporting victims
- is sufficient in length and intensity to affect behavioural change in young people and create greater feelings of safety within the community.

Engaging with your community

Applicants are encouraged to consult with their community and engage local stakeholders to develop proposals. As part of your application, you will need to:

- explain who you met with and how you engaged with your community to understand what they feel needs to happen to respond to youth crime issues
- tell us what the localised concerns are as a result of your community engagement
- tell us how your proposal will address the concerns identified by the community
- outline who will be involved in the delivery of your response and provide evidence of their commitment
- demonstrate culturally safe and localised partnerships with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and communities.

More information

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