# Keeping Women Safe from Violence Grants Program

### Frequently asked questions to assist grant applicants

Information will be added to this page during the application period to assist all applicants to complete their grant application. If your question is not covered here, please email <a href="mailto:partnerships@justice.qld.gov.au">partnerships@justice.qld.gov.au</a> or call 1800 177 577 for assistance. Unfortunately, we cannot provide advice or feedback on specific initiatives or ideas.

#### Documents mentioned below include:

- Keeping Women Safe from Violence Funding Guidelines (the Guidelines)
- National Plan to End Violence against Women and Children 2022-32 (the Plan)
- <u>Family, Domestic and Sexual Violence Responses 2021-23 National Partnership Agreement</u> (the Agreement).

### To be eligible, do I have to meet the requirements of both *Service types in scope* (p.3) <u>and</u> *Eligibility* (p.6) in the Guidelines?

You are encouraged to carefully review the Guidelines to determine if your organisation and your proposed initiative are eligible, with particular noting of:

- Services in scope for funding (page 3) AND
- Eligibility (page 6).

If you determine you are eligible under **both** sections, we encourage you to apply. If you are **not** eligible under both sections, you may like to consider an auspicing arrangement or a partnership with an eligible entity. There is more information on auspicing in the Guidelines and the Application Form.

## Is a for-profit entity or sole trader eligible to apply if they provide services to victims-survivors or perpetrators (i.e. legal services, counselling, finance industry)?

Applicants must comply with the *Eligibility* requirements on page 6 of the Guidelines. There are options for sole traders and for-profit organisations etc. to enter an auspice arrangement, or partner with an eligible organisation. More information on auspicing is included in the Guidelines and the Application Form.

#### Can I put one application under each funding category?

No. Only one application can be made per organisation (or ABN).

#### Will there be additional funding available (after the contract period) to continue a new program or initiative?

This is one-off funding only. No additional funds will be available under this program for repeat or expanded programs.

#### Will there be another funding program after this to support new initiatives?

All new procurement (recurrent funding or grant funding) processes will be advertised via our DJAG webpage, our @qldwomen Facebook page and/or via our mailing lists. Recurrent funding opportunities are always advertised on QTenders. You can also subscribe for QTenders alerts.

#### Can a consortium or group of organisations apply?

Applications must be made under one organisation or association name, but the initiative may include several partners. The organisation that makes the application will be responsible for the funding and reporting requirements.

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### Would I be an eligible service type if domestic and family violence services/objectives are not covered in our Constitution?

You should self-assess whether your organisation fits the criteria. Your Constitution is one way of verifying this assessment. However, there would be other forms of evidence, including your website, a copy of your service description from the Australian Charities and Not-for-profit Commission website, an Annual Report or evidence of other funded initiatives. On the Application Form, you can upload supporting material if you feel this is required or may assist.

#### Is it good to have partners in the application?

Collaboration and partnerships are always favourably considered, however, partnerships are not compulsory.

#### What do I select if I fit under more than one service type?

Please select the main service type. We recognise that applicants may align with more than one, but please select the main type of service for your organisation.

#### Is there a certain allocation of grants for both funding categories?

No. This will be at the panel's discretion to ensure the best outcomes and value-for-money.

#### How many grants will be awarded?

There is a total budget of \$3 million that will be distributed according to the panel's assessment of the applications that are submitted. There is no pre-determined number of grants or percentage of grants under each category.

#### What is expected in small and large scale projects, especially in relation to project evaluations?

Larger scale initiatives require wider scope and more depth in its evaluation. This includes projects that engage a broader cohort with potentially various demographics.

Smaller scale initiatives may be more targeted with engagement with a specific cohort or two. It is always good to include an evaluation component for any initiative, regardless of size. More information is included in the Guidelines.

#### Can you explain what response is expected in Criteria 3 to the question:

What are the expected outcomes and change from your initiative? Tell us how your initiative will reduce gender-based violence against women and children in Queensland.

The panel requires a clear understanding of what outcomes you expect from your initiative, including how they link to the objectives, domains, purpose and expected outcomes in the Plan and the Agreement. As the Plan's vision is to end violence against women and children in a generation, the second component of the question is asking you to link the outcomes to that high level vision. It is intended to be a broad question to enable you to align your project with any elements of the Plan and Agreement.

#### Are networks, like primary health networks, or peak bodies eligible to apply?

You are eligible to apply if your organisation or network meets the eligibility criteria and service types in the Guidelines, with particular reference to the information on pages 3 and 6.

#### Can I include grant writer fees in my expenditure budget?

You cannot include retrospective costs. The grant writer would be required prior to your application lodgement and would, therefore, most likely be deemed ineligible.

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#### If I have more than one idea, can I ring the contact number for advice on the best initiative to submit?

We cannot provide advice on individual initiatives we can only advise on the Guidelines and the application process. We would recommend seeking advice from a sector colleague, a critical friend or peak body.

#### Can I include a phone or computer in the budget?

Assets are ineligible in this grant program. There is a definition of assets in the back section of the Guidelines.

#### Should I include every single item for an event in the budget?

More detail is better than not enough to help the panel understand where the funds are being attributed and whether they represent value-for-money. You can add as many lines as you like to the budget to make it clear.

#### Can I include costs for a third-party service in the expenditure summary?

Your budget can include costs associated with consultants, web experts, speakers etc. If a third party or partner is providing items/services at a reduced price or at no cost, please include their support in the summary of in-kind support.

#### Why is the application timeframe short for this grant program?

We are bound by the conditions of the Agreement funding. Extensions cannot be provided for applications to ensure fairness to all applicants. The grant program has been open since 30 January 2023 and will close 5pm Friday 24 February 2023, this provides four weeks for preparing an application. Further, a forward notice was provided in mid-December 2022 to encourage organisations to prepare for this grant program.