

CQ Bushfires- Category C Flexible Funding Grants Program 2018-19 – Fact Sheet (v 2.0)

The CQ Bushfires – Category C Flexible Funding Grant has been jointly-funded by the Australian and Queensland Governments to provide non-government organisations, community groups and Local Governments with flexible funds to implement projects aimed at driving recovery, building awareness and resilience within the eight disaster affected Local Government areas.

The Grant will support community-led engagement activities and the development of local recovery initiatives as well as partnerships and collaboration.

Grants are intended to reduce future risks and minimise community dependence on government assistance.

Projects must be aligned with national disaster recovery outcomes (not limited to human and social recovery) and the [National Disaster Recovery Principles](#) as outlined in the [Community Recovery Handbook](#) and [Queensland State Recovery Plan](#) to:

- understand the context
- recognise *complexity*
- use local, *community-led* approaches
- ensure *coordination* of all activities
- employ effective *communication*
- acknowledge and build local *capacity*
- identify lessons and build resilience

How much can projects receive?

Non-recurrent (one-off) grant funding between:

- \$2,500 - \$20,000 (small grant)
- \$20,000 - \$100,000 (large grant)

is available (excluding GST).

Funding for eligible projects is determined by an assessment panel and will vary according to each project budget.

What can be funded in 2018-19?

Successful applicants will implement projects aimed at driving recovery, building awareness and resilience. Projects should preferably involve partnerships with local government, and other organisations and/or groups.

Funded projects will need to contribute to one or more of the following Disaster Recovery Outcomes.

- The needs of vulnerable groups are addressed in disaster recovery.
- The community is aware of the disaster recovery processes.
- The community can express its changing disaster recovery needs.
- Community members are aware of the risks of future disasters.
- The community has improved capacity and capability to respond to future disasters.

- Business and not-for-profit organisations have in place adequate mitigation practices for risks and threats.
- Government, private sector, civil society and organisations are engaged in plans for mitigation and management of the recovery.

Who is eligible to apply?

Non-government organisations, community groups and Local Governments in the disaster affected areas local government areas of:

- Banana
- Bundaberg
- Central Highlands
- Gladstone
- Isaac
- Livingstone
- Mackay
- Rockhampton

How do I apply?

Funding submissions under the 2018-19 grants round must be made on an online SmartyGrants application form found at:

<https://communities.smartygrants.com.au/CQ/Busfiressmallgrantsround1> (small grants)

<https://communities.smartygrants.com.au/cq/bccffglargeround1> (large grants)

If you are new to SmartyGrants, you will need to register before you can apply. Refer to the [SmartyGrants—Help Guide for Applicants](#) for information on registering and completing your application form.

When do applications close?

Applications for the 2018-19 funding round must be received by **2pm on Monday 29 April 2019**. Late applications may be

considered at the discretion of the grant evaluation panel.

Where can I find more information?

Please refer to our website for more grant information, including access to the funding information paper:

<https://www.communities.qld.gov.au/industry-partners/funding-grants/funding-available>

Information and resources about community recovery are available at:

<https://www.communities.qld.gov.au/community/community-recovery>

If you have specific queries regarding the grant, please direct them by email to:

Grantqueries@communities.qld.gov.au

Important dates

- **1 April 2019** - Stage 1 Grant applications open
- **29 April 2019** - Closing date for Stage 1 grant applications
- **Mid-Late May 2019** - Successful Stage 1 applicants announced
- **1 October 2019** – Stage 2 Grant applications open
- **15 October 2019** – Closing date for Stage 2 grant applications
- **Early-Mid December 2019** – Successful Stage 2 applicants announced