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Each month, we share a curated update of the latest grant opportunities available to businesses, community groups, and local government organisations across the Barossa, Gawler, Light and Adelaide Plains region. Our goal is to help connect you with funding opportunities that support your projects and drive local growth.

Need extra support?

Explore our [Grant Tips page](#) for practical guidance or join our [B2B Support Program](#) to connect with professional grant writers.

Depending on your project and grant application, you might be eligible for economic modelling support. If this is something you are interested in, please complete the [Economic Modelling Form](#) and someone from RDA will be in touch.

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RDA Barossa Gawler Light Adelaide Plains

B2B Support Program

Organisation: Regional Development Barossa Gawler Light Adelaide Plains

Closing: Ongoing

Purpose: Connects small businesses in the Barossa, Gawler, Light & Adelaide Plains region with local expert service providers at subsidised rates for tailored support in key business areas (marketing, finance, IT, HR, tourism-hospitality).

Eligibility: Small businesses at any stage (start-up, scaling up or tackling challenges) located in the Barossa, Gawler, Light & Adelaide Plains region.

Funding available: Subsidised service rates starting from approximately \$55 for an initial 2-3 hour consultation; tailored service cost arrangements thereafter.

[More information](#)

Business Fundamentals Program

Organisation: Regional Development Barossa Gawler Light Adelaide Plains

Closing: October 2026.

Purpose: Provide targeted and intensive advisory support to businesses in the Barossa, Gawler, Light & Adelaide Plains region affected by drought to help them improve operations, plan strategically and become more resilient.

Eligibility: Businesses in the Barossa, Gawler, Light & Adelaide Plains region across all industries; priority given to primary producers and those impacted by production-linked drought conditions.

Funding available: Two support streams:

- **Stream 1 – Business Fundamentals:** Minimum 8 hours one-on-one coaching; co-payment of \$200+GST from participant.
- **Stream 2 – Business Bounceback:** 2-3 hour consultation; co-payment of \$50+GST from participant.

[More information](#)

Agriculture

Philip Laffer Royal Adelaide Wine Show Bursary **CLOSING SOON**

Organisation: Royal Adelaide Show Society Foundation

Closing: 27 March 2026

Purpose: To provide a Bursary program to support the South Australian Wine industry to continue to grow and prosper. The purpose of the funding is to support study pathways by providing a Bursary to a student undertaking either undergraduate or post graduate studies in the field of viticulture or oenology at an Australian university.

Eligibility: Applicants must be an Australian citizen residing in South Australia and over 18 years of age. Additional eligibility criteria also apply.

Funding available: \$5,000 bursary for 1 year.

[More information](#)

Arts

Arts and Screen Employment Pathways Pilot Program

NEW

Organisation: Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communications, Sport and the Arts

Closing: 19 April 2026

Purpose: To deliver temporary employment placements, matching early to mid-career d/Deaf and disabled artists and arts workers with arts, cultural, screen and digital games organisations for temporary paid job placements of up to 12 months, for any art form and any position level across Australia.

Eligibility: A wide range of criteria including: Australian Business Number (ABN), where required by law, be registered for the purposes of GST, be a permanent resident of Australia, have an account with an Australian financial institution, be a legal entity with the capacity to enter into a legally binding agreement or contract, comply with all regulatory, industry and legal requirements in relation to copyright, licensing, employment, planning and environmental protection. Further criteria apply: see program page for details.

Funding available: Pool of \$2.2 million.

[More information](#)

Festival Australia Grants – Round 22

Organisation: Festival Australia

Closing: 1 July 2026

Purpose: For arts and cultural projects that encourage community participation and audience engagement from people living in regional and remote communities in a festival or significant one-off community celebration.

Eligibility: Regional artists, arts workers, and organisations.

Funding available: Pool of \$1.4 million. Supported activities must not last longer than two years from the proposed start date.

[More information](#)

Business

Research and Innovation Fund – Streams 1,2 and 3

Organisation: SA Government – Dept of State Development

Closing: Ongoing

Purpose: The Research and Innovation Fund (RIF) is a strategic fund that invests in the entire South Australian research and innovation value chain, aligned to the state's priority industry sectors. It aims to: develop a high performing research and innovation system; support greater research and industry collaboration; support the development and adoption by business of critical technologies that drive productivity and competitiveness; support the growth of innovative early-stage business addressing national and international markets. The RIF has three streams which targets the fundamental components of the research and innovation value chain.

Eligibility: In general: be based in South Australia; be a company incorporated in Australia with an active Australian Business Number (ABN); be a non-tax-exempt business; be registered for Goods and Services Tax (GST); have a combined annual turnover of less than \$1 million for each of the three financial years prior to the lodgement of the application.

Funding available: Varies depending on Stream. Check specific Stream guidelines.

[More information](#)

Export Diversification Program

Organisation: SA Government – Dept of State Development

Closing: Ongoing

Purpose: To support South Australian export businesses to overcome market challenges, in particular, businesses that have made significant investment in trade-disrupted markets.

Eligibility: South Australian export businesses that have been affected by global disruptions in trade. Priority will be for businesses from the manufacturing, automotive/automotive parts and machinery sectors, and businesses with products embedded in global supply chains that are now facing reduced competitiveness in an identified market.

Funding available: Up to \$50,000.

[More information](#)

Cheaper Home Batteries Program (Residential and Non-Residential)

Organisation: CSIRO

Closing: 30 December 2030

Purpose: Provides a discount on the upfront cost of installing small-scale solar batteries on residential and non-residential property.

Eligibility: Residential and non-residential property.

Funding available: Discounts of up to 30% on the upfront cost of installing small-scale battery systems.

[More information](#)

CSIRO Kick-Start Program

Organisation: CSIRO

Closing: Applications accepted at any time (ongoing intake)

Purpose: CSIRO Kick-Start provides matched funding to help innovative small businesses access CSIRO research expertise and On-Farm capabilities to accelerate the development of new ideas, products, processes or testing activities.

Eligibility: Australian start-ups and small to medium enterprises (SMEs).

Funding available: Matched funding vouchers between \$10,000 and \$50,000 for projects up to 12 months in duration. Businesses may be eligible to apply for a second voucher after completion of the first.

[More information](#)

DRIVEN Charger Rebate Scheme (2026 to 2028)

Organisation: DRIVEN PROGRAM, Australian Government

Closing: 30 April 2026

Purpose: Support automotive businesses selling passenger and light commercial vehicles and their role in decarbonising by selling, repairing and improving awareness of electric vehicles (EVs).

Eligibility: Automotive dealerships and EV repairers throughout Australia.

Funding available: Up to \$3,000 per eligible fixed smart EV charging plug(s) or portable DC EV charger(s) at your site. Portable units must cost at least \$2,500 to qualify. The maximum rebate amount for multiple chargers per eligible site is up to \$21,000.

[More information](#)

Family Day Care – Rural and Remote Funding Support

Organisation: Department for Education (South Australia)

Closing: 30 May 2026 (or until funds are exhausted)

Purpose: Funding is available to support qualified educators to establish home-based Family Day Care (FDC) services in regional, rural and remote communities. The program aims to increase access to flexible early childhood education while supporting educators to earn an income from home with ongoing assistance from the Department for Education's FDC team.

Eligibility: Qualified early childhood educators in rural or remote South Australia establishing a Family Day Care service in eligible Commonwealth-designated areas.

Funding available:

- Registration support – up to \$2,000 (e.g. Working with Children Checks, police clearances, first aid, mandatory training).
- Establishment funding – up to \$5,000 or \$7,000 depending on needs (e.g. safety modifications, play equipment, cots, ICT, insurance).
- Sustainability funding – from \$1,500 for educators operating 6–12 months (e.g. insurance, subscriptions, accounting).

[More information](#)

NewAccess for Small Business Owners

Organisation: Beyond Blue

Closing: 30 June 2026

Purpose: NewAccess for Small Business Owners is a free and confidential mental health coaching program designed specifically for small business owners.

Eligibility: Small business owners and sole traders aged 18+ who are *not* currently seeing a psychologist or psychiatrist and who are not experiencing severe or complex mental health issues.

The program is accessible to small business owners across all industries and offers timely support without the need for a referral.

Funding available: Participants receive up to 8 one-on-one coaching sessions with a trained coach who has experience in small business. The program provides practical tools to manage stress, build resilience, and navigate personal and professional challenges.

[More information](#)

Small Business Skills & Training Boost

NEW

Organisation: Australian Taxation Office

Closing: 30 June 2026

Purpose: To assist small businesses with updating their workforce skills.

Eligibility: Small businesses with an aggregated annual turnover of less than \$50 million.

Funding available: 20% tax deduction for external training courses delivered to employees by registered training providers. The boost applies to eligible expenditure incurred from 7:30 pm AEDT on 29 March 2022 until 30 June 2024.

[More information](#)

Women in Business Foundations Program (SA)

Organisation: Government of South Australia (delivered by Adelaide Business Hub)

Closing: 30 June 2026

Purpose: The Program provides tailored mentoring and advisory support to help women-led small businesses grow, strengthen capability and improve long-term sustainability.

Eligibility: SA women who own a small business with turnover under \$1 million, are GST-registered, employ fewer than 20 FTE staff, and can commit to completing the mentoring program.

Funding available: Participants receive up to 6 mentoring sessions, beginning with a detailed action plan and followed by specialist support based on individual business needs.

Support may include: Financial and accounting literacy, HR, legal, tax and insurance guidance, Business planning and growth strategies, Digital marketing strategies, Cyber security preparation, Securing finance for startup or expansion.

The program aims to support 600 SA women-led businesses between October 2024 and June 2026.

[More information](#)

Prosperity Path Business Grant (Prosperity Path Program)

Organisation: Adelaide Plains Council

Closing: June 2026 or until the \$10,000 has been allocated.

Purpose: Supports Adelaide Plains Council businesses to grow and thrive, with funding and practical support to help businesses take the next step, establish (new), or expand and create local jobs.

Eligibility: Business is based in Adelaide Plains Council.

Funding available: Capped per application:

- Get Going: up to \$1,000
- New Business: up to \$1,500
- Growth: up to \$2,000

[More information](#)

Community

Grassroots Grants 2026 - EOI

NEW – CLOSING SOON

Organisation: Landscape SA – Northern & Yorke Region

Closing: 10 April 2026 (for EOIs)

Purpose: Grassroots Grants support local communities to take practical action to care for land, water, and nature. The program funds small, community-led projects that strengthen local stewardship, build skills and knowledge, and deliver positive environmental outcomes at a local scale.

Eligibility: Community groups, not-for-profit organisations, volunteers, and other local groups with strong community connections. Projects must be community-driven and align with regional landscape priorities. Applicants do not need to be incorporated but must have an incorporated sponsor and demonstrate community benefit and local support.

Funding available: \$2,000 to \$10,000 are available for one-year projects, with successful applicants announced in July.

[More information](#)

eSafety Commissioner - Preventing Tech-based Abuse of Women Grants Program - Round 3

CLOSING NOW

Organisation: Australian Communications and Media Authority

Closing: 20 March 2026

Purpose: To fund projects that are focused on the prevention of online harms and enhanced safety for women and children. This may include projects that, for example, aim to change community attitudes and behaviours, focus on people who perpetrate technology-facilitated abuse, or that seek to protect and support women and children.

Eligibility: Be a non-government organisation, not-for-profit or charitable organisation registered with the Australian Charities and Not-for-Profit Commission.

Funding available: \$40,000 - \$80,000.

[More information](#)

First Nations Clean Energy Advice Grants - Round 1

NEW

Organisation: Australian Government - Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water

Closing: 3 September 2026

Purpose: To support First Nations communities to participate in clean energy development, by building skills and knowledge, providing access to support, helping communities to make informed decisions.

Eligibility: First Nations organisation or group, have an Australian Business Number (ABN), and are an eligible entity (see website for further eligibility criteria).

Funding available: \$5,000 - \$80,000.

[More information](#)

Veterans Commemorative Services Grant Fund

NEW

Organisation: Veterans SA

Closing: 15 May 2026

Purpose: To support eligible organisations in hosting commemorative events in South Australia.

Eligibility: Non-government, not-for-profit and: incorporated under the Associations Incorporation Act 1985; or a Statutory Authority established through an Act; or registered with the Australian Charities and Not-for-Profit Commission. Further criteria apply.

Funding available: Up to \$2,000, from a pool of \$20,000.

[More information](#)

Veterans Capacity Building Grant Fund

NEW

Organisation: Veterans SA

Closing: 15 May 2026

Purpose: To support to eligible organisations to improve governance, strengthen capacity building skills and enhance their ability to lead, support and advocate for veteran communities across South Australia.

Eligibility: Non-government, not-for-profit and: incorporated under the Associations Incorporation Act 1985; or a Statutory Authority established through an Act; or registered with the Australian Charities and Not-for-Profit Commission. Further criteria apply.

Funding available: Up to \$7,000, from a pool of \$50,000.

[More information](#)

SA Water Community Partnerships Program

NEW

Organisation: SA Water

Closing: 3 April 2026

Purpose: To partner with organisations who foster an inclusive culture where diversity of thought, background and experience are embraced and celebrated.

Eligibility: Not-for-profit organisation delivering valued services to the South Australian community.

Funding available: Funding limit of \$10,000 per partnership.

[More information](#)

Business Excellence in Support & Training (BEST) Program 2026-27

NEW

Organisation: SA Government – Dept of Veterans' Affairs

Closing: 15 April 2026

Purpose: To support the role of ex-service organisation (ESO) compensation and wellbeing advocates, who provide advice and assistance to the veteran and defence communities.

Eligibility: Must be an Ex-Service Organisation and one of: Company, Cooperative, Corporate State or Territory Entity, Incorporated Association, Indigenous Corporation, Statutory Entity.

Funding available: \$58.6 million pool over 3 years.

[More information](#)

Telstra's Connected Communities Grant Program - Round 4

NEW

Organisation: Foundation for Rural Regional Renewal (FRRR)

Closing: 26 March 2026

Purpose: To support communities across remote, rural and regional Australia to enhance liveability with digital solutions that harness the power of connection. The program will support community-led efforts that embrace new technology and improve digital literacy or digital capability.

Eligibility: Not-for-profit organisation with either an Incorporation Certificate and/or an ABN.

Funding available: A total of \$200,000 is available to fund grant applications up to the value of \$10,000 to support remote, rural and regional communities to embrace new technologies and digital solutions

[More information](#)

Gawler 2025-26 Community Grants

NEW

Organisation: Town of Gawler

Closing: 27 March 2026.

Purpose: To enhance community development, create opportunities for participation, strengthen community connectedness, and add vibrancy to the Town.

Eligibility: Incorporated bodies, not for profit community groups, non-government organisations and individuals within the Town of Gawler, that satisfy the guidelines, are eligible to apply.

Funding available: Up to \$1,500. Applicants will need to meet at least 50% of the project or activity cost.

[More information](#)

Barossa Co-op Community Choice Grants

Organisation: Barossa Co-op

Closing: Ongoing.

Purpose: Each month, three organisations will be selected to participate. Community members will vote in-store for their preferred group. At month's end, each organisation will receive support based on votes.

Eligibility: Smaller groups, clubs or fundraising initiatives that meaningful difference in the community. Registered charity, club or organisation that is non-for-profit and dedicated to enhancing the quality of life in the Barossa Valley. Your organisation MUST hold an active Barossa Co-op membership.

Funding available: 1st Place – \$1,000; 2nd Place – \$700; 3rd Place – \$300. Monthly.

[More information](#)

Youth Incentive Program

Organisation: Light Regional Council

Closing: Ongoing – applications accepted throughout the year

Purpose: The Youth Incentive Scheme provides financial assistance to help young people pursue opportunities in education, sport, arts, culture, and community leadership. Grants are designed to support participation in programs, competitions, events or projects that foster personal development and contribute to the local community.

Eligibility: Be aged between 12 and 25 years; Reside, work, or study within the Light Regional Council area; Demonstrate how the opportunity will benefit both themselves and the community

Funding available: Up to \$300 per individual or \$600 for group applications.

[More information](#)

Barossa Co-op Sponsorship Program

Organisation: Barossa Co-op

Closing: Ongoing.

Purpose: With the aim of building partnerships, profiling businesses as Barossa Co-op partners, supporting and giving back to the Barossa community.

Eligibility: Registered charity, club, or organisation that is non-for-profit and dedicated to enhancing the quality of life in the Barossa Valley. An organisation MUST hold an active Barossa Co-op membership.

Funding available: \$2,000 - \$5,000 store credit or gift cards for a 1-3 year period.

[More information](#)

Saluting their Service Commemorative Grants Program 2026-2027

Organisation: Australian Government – Department of Veterans' Affairs

Closing: Batch 1 - closes 9:00 PM AEST 29 July 2026. Batch 2 - closes 9:00 PM AEDT 21 January 2027.

Purpose: To commemorate the service and sacrifice of Australia's service personnel, including National Service personnel, and their families through funding for projects and activities that promote appreciation and understanding of the experiences of service, and the role of service personnel; and preserve or enrich information about Australia's wartime heritage.

Eligibility: Company, Cooperative, Corporate State or Territory Entity, Incorporated Association, Indigenous Corporation, Local Government, Non-corporate State or Territory Entity, Non-corporate State or Territory Statutory Authority, Partnerships, Person, Sole Trader, Statutory Entity, Unincorporated Association (only for Community Grants).

Funding available: Community grants up to \$10,000. Major grants up to \$150,000.

[More information](#)

Adelaide Plains Community Grants

Organisation: Adelaide Plains Council

Closing: June 2026

Purpose: To provide financial assistance to community and sporting groups within our council region for community projects and/or resources to support the delivery of services or programs. This program aims to encourage and support locally based projects or activities that positively contribute to our community.

Eligibility: Community groups/organisations that have not-for-profit objectives; non-government, incorporated community groups/organisations; Non-incorporated community groups/organisations endorsed with Deductible Gift Recipient (DGR) status.

Funding available: Pool of \$100,000.

[More information](#)

Strengthening Rural Communities - Prepare and Recover Round 28

Organisation: Foundation for Rural Regional Renewal

Closing: 24 March 2026

Purpose: To support communities in remote, rural and regional communities across Australia to implement initiatives that prevent and prepare for future climate related impacts, or recover from existing disasters in the medium to long-term timeframe, generally one to ten years after the disaster.

Eligibility: Applicant organisations must be a not-for-profit organisation with either an Incorporation Certificate and/or an ABN.

Funding available: Up to \$25,000.

[More information](#)

Environment, Sustainability, Drought

Future Made in Australia (FMA) Innovation Fund

Organisation: Australian Renewable Energy Agency (ARENA)

Closing: Open on a rolling basis until funding is fully allocated (no fixed closing date).

Purpose: To support projects that accelerate decarbonisation of industry in Regional Australia. The Industrial Transformation Stream (ITS) is open for applications supporting a range of industrial decarbonisation solutions, including electrification, energy efficiency, low emissions processing and fuel switching. Enabling technologies such as energy storage, demand management and critical infrastructure supporting onsite decarbonisation may also be considered.

Eligibility: Applicants must hold an ABN and be an Australian entity incorporated under the Corporations Act 2001 (Cth); or an Australian State or Territory owned corporation, or a subsidiary of an Australian state or territory owned corporation; or an Australian local government or council or an Australian organisation that is purposed with representing and supporting local governments or councils.

Funding available: Part of a total \$400 million funding pool.

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Powering The Regions Fund: Industrial Transformation Stream (Round 3)

Organisation: Australian Renewable Energy Agency (ARENA) – *Industrial Transformation Stream* (Powering the Regions Fund)

Closing: Open on a rolling basis until funding is fully allocated (no fixed closing date)

Purpose: To support industrial decarbonisation projects in regional Australia that reduce greenhouse gas emissions and improve energy efficiency through solutions such as electrification, fuel switching, low-emissions processing, and deployment of clean technologies. The program aims to accelerate emissions reduction and commercial readiness of decarbonisation technologies and broaden adoption across industrial sectors.

Eligibility: Australian entities with an ABN proposing eligible projects at industrial facilities in regional Australia. Applicants may include companies, incorporated organisations, state/territory bodies and local governments. Projects must demonstrate emissions reduction outcomes and align with program focus areas; co-funding (typically matched at a minimum 1:1) is expected.

Funding available: Part of a total \$400 million funding pool under the Industrial Transformation Stream, with approximately \$180 million available for the current (Round 3) funding focus. Individual grant amounts vary based on project size and scope, with minimum grants start at \$500,000.

[More information](#)

Small Business Sustainability Support Program

Organisation: Government of South Australia – Office for Small and Family Business

Closing: Ongoing

Purpose: To help small businesses build capability and confidence to adopt more sustainable practices, learn how to reduce costs, improve efficiency, and implement environmentally responsible strategies that benefit both business and community.

Eligibility: South Australian small and family businesses

Workshops are delivered across metropolitan and regional South Australia and cover topics such as energy efficiency, waste reduction, and sustainable business operations.

Funding available: Not applicable – free program participation.

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Healthcare and Wellbeing

LGBTIQA+ Safe Spaces: LGBTIQA+ inclusive primary care workforce training and accreditation

NEW – CLOSING SOON

Organisation: Department of Health, Disability and Ageing

Closing: 30 March 2026

Purpose: To deliver health workforce training to ensure inclusive, culturally safe healthcare for LGBTIQA+ people in Australia, and a network of accredited primary care providers.

Eligibility: Company, Cooperative, Indigenous Corporation (registered under the Corporations (Aboriginal and /or Torres Strait Islander) Act 2006), Incorporated Association, Corporate State or Territory Entity, Partnership, Statutory Entity. You can also apply for this grant opportunity if you are a university that has an entity type listed above.

Funding available: \$10,000,000

[More information](#)

Aged Care Nursing Scholarship Program

Organisation: Australian College of Nurse Practitioners

Closing: Ongoing to 2028.

Purpose: To support aged care career pathways through worker education, training and development; ensure the availability of high-quality aged care that puts the needs and preferences of older people first; and promote an increase in the capacity of the First Nations aged care workforce and the broader aged care workforce to address the needs of First Nations peoples.

Eligibility: Nurses and personal care workers currently working in aged care across Australia, including in residential care, home care and Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Services. Applicants must be an Australian citizen or permanent resident.

Scholarships and funding available: A total of 1,050 scholarships will be awarded over three years. The scholarship program is a national program and will be available across all jurisdictions. Funding from \$6,000 to \$30,000, depending on course, duration and expected completion date.

[More information](#)

Heritage

Local Heritage and Historic Wall Grants

Organisation: Town of Gawler

Closing: Ongoing.

Purpose: To support the conservation, protection and celebration of South Australia's built and cultural heritage through a range of grant opportunities. Funding assists heritage conservation projects, research, interpretation, and community heritage activities that preserve significant places, stories and cultural values across the state.

Eligibility: All places identified as State or Local Heritage Places, and properties located in the Gawler Church Hill State Heritage Area; or all walls identified as being of heritage importance in the Historic Walls in the Public Environment, Gawler, SA Conservation Strategy Audit (September 2007) (available on Council's website under Publications) regardless of classification.

Funding available: Local heritage grants: up to \$3,000 per application; Historic wall grants: dollar-for-dollar basis (Council pays 50% of the cost of the work).

[More information](#)

Heritage Agreement Incentive Grants 2024-2026

Organisation: Government of South Australia – Department for Environment and Water

Closing: 29 June 2026. Varies by individual grant category (check program details for specific closing dates)

Purpose: To support the conservation, protection and celebration of South Australia's built and cultural heritage through a range of grant opportunities. Funding assists heritage conservation projects, research, interpretation, and community heritage activities that preserve significant places, stories and cultural values across the state.

Eligibility: Owners, custodians, community groups, not-for-profit organisations, and local government authorities involved in heritage conservation or promotion. Eligibility varies by specific grant category and project type.

Funding available: Multiple heritage grant streams with varying funding amounts to support conservation, maintenance, interpretation and community engagement projects. Specific funding levels depend on the grant category and project scope.

[More information](#)

Manufacturing

Spirits Expansion Program

Organisation: Government of South Australia – Department for Trade and Investment

Closing: Ongoing (open until funds are fully allocated)

Purpose: The Spirits Expansion Program provides financial support to assist South Australian spirits producers to expand production capacity, improve efficiency, and access new domestic and international markets. The program aims to grow the state's premium spirits industry and strengthen South Australia's reputation for world-class craft beverages.

Eligibility: South Australian distilleries and spirit producers

Eligible projects may include investment in new equipment, technology upgrades, facility expansion, product innovation, and export readiness initiatives.

Funding available: Co-contribution grants of up to \$75,000 per business.

[More information](#)

Powering the Regions Industrial Transformation Stream

Organisation: Australian Renewable Energy Agency

Closing: Ongoing

Purpose: Grant funding to support pre-commercial innovation, demonstration and deployment of renewable energy and low emission technologies (Technologies), to support Australia's transition to a net zero economy. Successful projects are expected to achieve one or more of the following Program Outcomes:

- increase uptake of the Technologies through innovation and commercialisation activities.
- improve Australia's capability and capacity to produce or manufacture the Technologies.
- support and/or contribute to stronger supply chains to enable increased use of the Technologies.
- improve knowledge, skills and/or workforce participation associated with the Technologies.

Eligibility: Applicants should contact ARENA to discuss their proposal and to seek endorsement to apply.

[More information](#)

Land Management

SA Soils Bursary Program

Organisation: Soils Collaboration Centre (SCC) (administered via PIRSA)

Closing: 15 May 2026

Purpose: Financial assistance for South Australians working with soils to participate in soil-focused training, events and learning activities that build knowledge, skills and professional networks, aligned with the National Soil Strategy.

Eligibility: Open to South Australians developing, pursuing or actively engaged in soil science, soil and land management, agricultural sustainability or similar fields

Funding available:

- Individual training – up to \$2,000
- Group knowledge exchange – up to \$5,000

[More information](#)

Bite-sized Grants – Land Management

Organisation: Northern and Yorke Landscape Board

Closing: 29 May 2026

Purpose: Deliver positive environmental and landscape management outcomes, such as weed control, revegetation projects and pest animal management.

Eligibility: community groups and not-for-profit organisation

Funding available: \$200-\$2,000

[More information](#)

Primary Production

Rural Support Grant SA

Organisation: Government of South Australia - Department of Primary Industries and Regions (PIRSA)

Closing: Ongoing Eligibility – SA primary producers and rural small businesses experiencing significant financial hardship.

Purpose: These grants offer targeted, practical relief to help alleviate the financial pressures of essential household and business expenses while clients take steps toward recovery. The goal is to provide support during difficult times and help you regain stability.

Funding available: Funding of up to \$1,500 available in conjunction with financial counselling through Rural Business Support (RBS). The grant helps cover essential costs such as utilities, council rates, groceries, medical bills, or other items identified by the financial counsellor and the individual as part of their recovery planning.

Priority is given to those impacted by drought, market disruptions (such as in the wine grape industry), biosecurity incursions, and family-run rural small businesses concerned about their financial future.

[More information](#)

Sheep and Goat EID Implementation – Essential Equipment Rebate (Producers SA)

Organisation: Australian Government – Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry (Sheep and Goat EID Implementation Essential Equipment Rebate — Producers SA)

Closing: 30 June 2026

Purpose: Provide rebates to eligible sheep and goat producers in South Australia to help purchase essential electronic identification (EID) equipment. To support on-farm adoption of EID technology to improve livestock traceability, biosecurity, productivity and compliance with national standards.

Eligibility: Primary producers (sheep and/or goat producers) in South Australia with an active ABN and who meet program requirements. Applicants must purchase eligible EID equipment and provide required documentation to support their claim, as specified in program guidelines.

Funding available: The rebate is limited per producer and may vary depending on the type and cost of approved equipment. Applicants can apply for:

- up to \$500 for 100 or fewer animals annually
- up to \$2,000 for 101 to 5,000 animals annually
- up to \$20,000 for more than 5,000 animals annually

[More information](#)

Sports & Leisure

Adelaide Plains Community Grants

Organisation: Adelaide Plains Council

Closing: June 2026, or until funds have been allocated.

Purpose: The Adelaide Plains Community Grants provide financial assistance to community and sporting groups within our council region for community projects and/or resources to support the delivery of services or programs.

Eligibility: Sporting and community groups within Adelaide Plains Council.

Funding: \$100,000 pool, no minimum or maximum application.

[More information](#)

2026 Active Kids Grant Round

NEW

Organisation: Australian Sports Foundation (Funded by The Dickenson Foundation)

Closing: 27 March 2026

Purpose: To improve the physical and mental health of children and young Australians by encouraging/increasing participation through the provision of equipment or uniforms.

Eligibility: Volunteer-run, non-profit community clubs and organisations with members aged 20 or younger, and a valid Australian Sports Foundation account number.

Funding available: Dependent on submission. Grant awards will be in the form of playing or training equipment, or on-field kit. (Average grant value awarded in previous rounds: between \$3,500 and \$4,500)

[More information](#)

The Roger Rasheed Sports Foundation – Applications invited

NEW

Organisation: Roger Rashid Sports Foundation

Closing: Ongoing

Purpose: To help with the provision of sports facilities and opportunities for extreme disadvantaged communities across Australia. The Foundation wants to ensure that children, regardless of background or circumstance, have the opportunity to enjoy all that sport has to offer.

Eligibility: RRSF welcomes ideas and interaction from coaches, teachers, parents or anyone who believes sport can be a life changing experience for children and have identified a specific demand.

Funding available: Dependent on submission.

[More information](#)

Tourism

First Nations Tourism Mentoring Program (FNTMP)

Organisation: Australian Government – Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communications and the Arts

Closing: Open — apply at any time

Purpose: The FNTMP provides free one-on-one mentoring and advisory support for eligible First Nations tourism businesses. Support includes a business diagnostic, personalised mentoring tailored to business needs, access to sector-specific resources, specialist advice (including from Intrepid Travel advisors), and exit support to help implement growth and development opportunities.

Eligibility: Indigenous-owned tourism businesses (at least 50% First Nations ownership) operating in the tourism sector or its supply chain, with active operations offering goods or services to domestic or international visitors.

Funding available: Free mentoring and expert advice (non-monetary support)

[More information](#)

Workforce and Training

Early Childhood Education and Care Worker Rebate Scheme

Organisation: Australian Government – Department of Education

Closing: 30 September 2026

Purpose: Supports early childhood education and care providers to access worker retention payments.

Eligibility: Early child education and care providers.

Funding available:

- a 10% wage increase for all eligible staff in the first year
- an additional 5% wage increase for all eligible staff in the second year
- a minimum of an additional 20% funding to contribute towards eligible on-costs.

[More information](#)

Reconnection, Employment and Learning (REAL) Innovation Fund

Organisation: Australian Government – Department of Employment and Workplace Relations

Closing: Consultation phase / timing to be confirmed (check [GrantConnect](#) for updated closing date)

Purpose: To support small-scale, community-led and innovative projects that contribute to Reconnection, Employment and Learning outcomes, particularly for First Nations communities and other target groups.

Eligibility: Not-for-profit organisations, community groups and other eligible entities able to deliver community-scale projects aligned with the objectives of reconnection, employment pathways and learning opportunities. Applicants must meet the eligibility criteria detailed in the grant guidelines when published.

Funding available: Grants to support project delivery; specific funding amounts and tiers will be outlined in the Grant Opportunity Guidelines once finalised.

[More information](#)

Travel and Accommodation Allowance SA

Organisation: South Australian Government

Closing: Ongoing (applications accepted year-round until funds are exhausted)

Purpose: To assist employers in rural and regional South Australia with the travel and accommodation costs incurred when apprentices or trainees must travel significant distances to attend registered training organisations to complete their vocational education and training.

Eligibility: Employers in rural or regional South Australia who employ an apprentice or trainee with a current registered training contract in SA, where the apprentice or trainee must travel more than 150 km (round trip) between their residence and the nearest training venue offering the qualification.

Funding available: Allowances to contribute toward eligible costs including:

- Intrastate: travel at a rate per kilometre for shortest practical route; accommodation at a daily rate
- Interstate: travel at a set per-trip rate where pre-approved; accommodation at a higher daily rate for pre-approved training

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