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The State Government is committed to crime prevention and assisting the community to implement locally-based projects.

1. Introduction

Does your community have a plan to improve community safety in your area?

Do people and organisations in your community work together to find solutions to prevent offending and to address the factors that contribute to offending?

‘Place-based’ grants funding is available for projects of up to 12 months duration:

- Maximum funding available for any single project is $100,000 (GST Exclusive)
- Minimum funding for any single project is $10,000 (GST Exclusive).

Many of the risk factors that need to be addressed to prevent crime are beyond the ability of the criminal justice system alone to address and local problems often require local solutions and partnerships.

Initiatives therefore that are ‘place based’ with a strong focus on engaging local communities and government agencies to work together to prevent crime and address underlying factors are particularly encouraged. Alignment with other ‘place based’ activity to achieve the best possible outcomes for the community is also encouraged.

Successful projects will have a strong focus on achieving results and an evidence based approach to evaluation. Priority will be given to areas experiencing high levels of crime and disadvantage.

Applications must be completed online and close on Friday 5 May 2017 at 5.00pm.

2. Program objectives and key principles

The objectives of the Crime Prevention and Community Safety Grants program are to:

- reduce and prevent crime;
- make neighbourhoods safer;
- improve community capacity to reduce crime and increase community safety;
- increase collaboration and community participation in local crime prevention initiatives; and
- reduce the fear of crime.

The program is underpinned by the following principles:

- projects are informed by a local ‘place-based’ approach and link with a range of local people and services in addressing crime prevention and community safety;
- projects address specific crime prevention and community safety issues in a particular community;
- projects target geographical areas or populations experiencing disproportionately high crime and community safety issues;
- the issues to be addressed in partnership with the community are selected using data as evidence;
- solutions are evidence-based and directly address the issues raised;
- projects demonstrate tangible outcomes for the community through planned monitoring and evaluation.
3. Eligibility

To be eligible to receive funding, applicants must be an organisation with an ABN, which is either:

- an incorporated, not-for-profit\(^1\), community body;
- a local government council; or
- an organisation sponsoring an unincorporated, not-for-profit, community body.

Evidence of incorporation and not-for-profit status must be included in the application.

3.1 What types of projects will be funded?

‘Place-based’ initiatives to bring residents, local government, business, services and other bodies together to achieve local change to local crime issues are strongly encouraged. Place-based approaches can identify and draw on the assets and strengths within communities, and the abilities and insights of local stakeholders become resources for addressing local challenges.

‘Place-based’ strategies seek to address underlying factors that influence, and prevent criminal behaviour. ‘Place-based’ strategies are typically focussed on addressing multiple factors of disadvantage, in partnership with local community in a specific geographical area.

The ‘place-based’ approach supports the South Australian Government’s vision for a thriving South Australia, where all South Australians can actively contribute to building the social and economic wellbeing of their communities.

In accordance with the above approach, grant applicants will need to identify and address a specific community safety or crime prevention issue within their own organisation’s area of operation, or their community or locality.

They should demonstrate why the project is important in the particular community and how it could specifically address the identified community safety or crime prevention issue.

Priority will be given to projects targeting areas and locations experiencing disproportionately high crime and community safety issues.

Projects could address one or more of the following crime/safety issues\(^2\):

- domestic and family violence;
- reduction in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander crime and victimisation
- prevention of crime against people with disability;
- property crime such as robbery, domestic burglary, and motor vehicle theft;
- early intervention projects with families, children and schools;
- alcohol-fuelled violence;
- drug related crime;
- reducing fear of crime or promoting community safety;
- anti-social behaviour including hoon and dangerous driving;
- crime prevention through environmental design; and
- victimisation.

\(^1\) For the purposes of this program, a not-for-profit organisation is an organisation which is not operated for profit or for the individual gain of its members or promoters.

\(^2\) Refer to the booklet ‘Helpful Crime Prevention Facts’ to learn more about some of the above crime/safety issues. Available at http://www.agd.sa.gov.au/crimepreventiongrants
Separate additional funding is available for graffiti prevention projects. To be considered for this funding, organisations must complete the online Graffiti Prevention application form.

In demonstrating how projects address the identified issue, an important factor will also be whether projects are based on good project design principles.

**Project Design Principles**

- a clearly defined scope, including location and target audience;
- clear objectives that relate to the crime prevention issue being addressed;
- list of tasks required to deliver the project;
- time-frames for each task;
- consideration of the resources including equipment and people available for each task;
- a plan to evaluate the project progress and outcomes.

Grant applicants are asked to identify three outcomes the project is intending to achieve and how these will be measured.

The Office of Crime Statistics and Research can provide advice on the evaluation component of your application on phone (08) 8207 1954. Outcome measures that do not comply with the SMART (specific, measurable, attainable, relevant, time-bound) criteria will need to be revised prior to entering into a Funding Agreement. Note that the three outcomes will need to be reported against in the Final Report following the completion of the project.

If your application is successful, this plan and the outcome measures will inform the funding agreement you are offered and the final report you will be required to submit.

### 3.2 Projects that will not be funded

Projects that are not eligible for funding include those that do not address these Guidelines.

In most cases, funding will not be provided for the following:

- capital equipment and capital works, including the purchase or lease of land and/or purchase, construction or maintenance of buildings;
- funding for Closed Circuit Television (CCTV) systems, which is the subject of a separate funding stream for local government councils (refer to the CCTV Grants Program);
- development costs associated with an expression of interest or full application (e.g. the cost of a survey to establish the need for a project);
- core operational funding, travel to conferences, fund raising or sponsorship activities;
- projects that duplicate existing programs in the same community which are accessible to, and adequate for the target group;
- retrospective or deficit funding (i.e. reimbursement of expenses incurred by an organisation prior to grant funds being approved, or meeting existing debts);
- where there is a more appropriate source of funding for the project;
- an applicant organisation’s ongoing administration or running costs.

### 3.3 Submissions not accepted

Submissions will not be accepted from:

- individuals;
- political organisations;
- unincorporated organisations;
- Australian Government and State and Territory Government agencies;
- academic institutions or related representative bodies (including schools, universities and for profit childcare centres);
- commercial/for-profit organisations;
- organisations which have not fulfilled previous grant requirements including acquittal reports and evaluations, or organisations or projects that previously have had their funding revoked by State/Territory or Australian Government agencies due to performance and/or integrity reasons.

### 3.4 Funding for salaries and wages

Funding for a salaries and/or wages **component** may be provided.

#### Unincorporated organisations

If your organisation is not incorporated, you should either seek incorporation, or approach an incorporated community-based organisation to sponsor the project under its name.

This means that the sponsoring organisation will take full responsibility for the legal and financial accountability of the proposed project, i.e. sign the funding agreement with the Attorney-General.

#### Managing grants on behalf of another organisation

If your organisation is managing a grant on behalf of another organisation, the funding agreement is signed between your organisation and the Attorney-General.

Your organisation is legally responsible for the management and implementation of the funding agreement.

The different roles and responsibilities of your organisation and the sponsored organisation in implementing the project should be set out in a letter of agreement, which will be included with the work plan. If these roles and arrangements change in any way that affects the delivery of the project, you must notify the Attorney-General’s Department and request approval for any changes before they are implemented.

*It is the applicant’s responsibility to negotiate a sponsoring body.*

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3 Australian and State and Territory Government agencies can participate in the projects as advisers or partners but not as grant holders.
4. Assessment criteria

Grants are competitive and in any one round there are many more applicants than funding available.

In recommending projects for funding, the assessment panel will consider the diversity of crime and safety issues being addressed and the project locations to ensure a balance between target groups and regional and metropolitan areas.

Eligible applications will be assessed using the criteria outlined below.

1. Why is this project needed?
   - There is cited evidence that the target area experiences high rates of crime or safety issues.
   - The issue is clearly defined within a defined target area.
   - Solutions are evidence based and they directly address the issues raised.

2. What will it achieve?
   - The project will improve community capacity to reduce crime and improve safety.
   - The project will have a significant impact on the community.
   - The project will be highly visible in the community.
   - This project will make a significant contribution to the body of knowledge about crime prevention.
   - The project will promote greater community participation and agency collaboration working in crime prevention/safety.

3. How will it be successfully delivered?
   - The project has a sound Project Plan.
   - The project is designed to bring about a positive change in the defined issue.
   - The budget is aligned with the project objectives and goals.
   - The project provides value for money.
   - The project is achievable within the available resources.
   - The project has a ‘place based’ approach and links with local people and services to achieve change.
   - There is a method that will ensure that the project selects the appropriate groups / individuals who are impacting on the defined crime / safety issue.

4. Who is involved?
   - The project develops strategic partnerships.
   - The project team has the knowledge and skills to implement the project.
   - The organisation is experienced in working with the client group.
   - The project involves local people and a range of local services.

5. Does the project demonstrate outcomes through planned monitoring and evaluation?
   - There is evidence to show that the outcomes will impact on the issue being addressed.
   - The proposed outcomes are SMART (Specific, Measurable, Attainable, Relevant, Timely).
   - For each proposed outcome, there is an appropriate and achievable strategy to measure for change.
   - The outcomes relate to the project objectives.
5. Application process

Applicants are required to submit their application online at www.agd.sa.gov.au

If you require technical assistance with the online submission of your application, please call the grants officer on Ph 08 8204 9849.

Applications close on Friday 5 May 2017 at 5.00 pm.

If projects are approved for funding, applicants will be offered a Funding Agreement with standard terms and conditions that include the project deliverables and set out the reporting requirements.

The applications will be assessed by an assessment panel.

The assessment panel will take into account the project’s merits against the Assessment Criteria (Section 4) when making its recommendations. Graffiti prevention projects will be assessed separately from all other projects for allocation within the additional dedicated funding for such projects.

The assessment panel will present a recommended list of projects to be funded to the Attorney-General for his consideration.

The Attorney-General’s decision is final with funding being released to successful applicants by the end of the 2016–17 financial year.

Successful applicants will be advised by the Attorney-General. Unsuccessful applicants will be notified in writing. Feedback will be provided on unsuccessful applications, where requested.

6. Submission requirements

The Attorney-General’s Department is not able to assist organisations with the cost of applying for grants. Applicants are responsible for all the costs of preparing and lodging their applications and for the costs of answering the Department’s requests for additional information or clarification.

Information on the Crime Prevention and Community Safety Grants can be downloaded from www.agd.sa.gov.au. Alternatively, you can call (08) 8204 9849 or e-mail AGDPolicy@sa.gov.au

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Applications submitted after the closing date will be considered ineligible.
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