



Grants Program

Responsible Gambling Fund Funding Submission Guide

The NSW Government's Responsible Gambling Fund (RGF) supports initiatives and programs that enable people to make informed decisions about participating in gambling, minimise harm and aim to reduce the incidence and prevalence of problem gambling. These include:

- delivering education and awareness programs to support resilient communities
- undertaking research to strengthen our understanding of the impact of gambling and explore opportunities to enhance the responsible gaming environment
- providing treatment support through partnerships and online, phone and face to face counselling.

The Office of Responsible Gambling recognises opportunities for innovation and advancement can be led by a broad range of organisations. A percentage of the annual RGF revenue is therefore available to support innovation, pilot projects, encourage partnerships and advancement in the core priority areas of research, education and awareness, harm minimisation, prevention and treatment.



Support is offered for one-off projects that address one or more of the strategic priorities of the Office of Responsible Gambling:

- **Research** that contributes to the evidence base for responsible gambling interventions and programs
- **Partnerships** that support prevention and reduce gambling related harm
- **Education and awareness** of responsible gambling and gambling related harm, to encourage resilient communities
- Effective **support services** for those seeking help
- Prevent and reduce harm by leveraging **technology** and **innovation**.

Types of funding

Funding is available for one-off projects. The fund is open to supporting a wide range of projects. For example, projects could be:

- Research and evaluation studies
- Prototype development or roll out of new technologies to support responsible gambling
- Pilot projects to explore new developments in treatment
- Awareness projects to promote responsible gambling to a targeted group
- Projects that foster new partnerships to deliver harm minimisation, prevention or responsible gambling outcomes.

Submission Dates

The submission round:

Opens

Monday, 23 July 2018

Closes

Monday, 13 August 2018



Eligibility

To be considered for funding a proposal needs to:

- be submitted by an organisation with an ABN
- have outcomes for people throughout NSW or to a targeted region/community in NSW
- address one of the core RGF areas: research, education and awareness, harm minimisation, technology and innovation or treatment
- be for a project with a fixed timeline and not for recurring costs, capital expenditure, or for operational costs including permanent staffing.

How to apply

All proposals are to be submitted via the Office of Responsible Gambling Grant portal. The submission includes a standard summary form and the opportunity for you to attach a full proposal in your own format (up to five pages).

Funding limit

There is no fixed funding limit for proposals. However, you should note there is competitive demand for RGF support. The funding pool is therefore limited and in some instances projects may be granted a lower amount than

requested. When preparing a funding proposal you are encouraged to consider the budget assessment criteria to inform your request.

Out of round proposals

In exceptional circumstances, proposals may be given approval to submit after the round has closed if there is a timing or business imperative that warrants consideration.

To be granted an exemption from the round deadline and gain access to the submission portal, any out of round proposals are required to discuss the timing imperatives of the submission with Office of Responsible Gambling.

For a submission to be accepted and considered for funding 'out of round', the proposal also needs to address the following criteria (in addition to the standard eligibility criteria):

- evidence of a new opportunity the project will capitalise on or the timeliness of an issue the project aims to address.
- the impact of opportunity loss and increased risks to success if the proposal was delayed to the next available funding round.
- the project is unique and based on genuinely innovative ideas that are unlikely to be replicated elsewhere.

Assessment criteria

All proposals will be considered against the following criteria. It is recommended proposals articulate how the criteria will be addressed by the project.

Merit

The extent to which the proposal:

- addresses one or more of the strategic priorities of research, partnerships, education and awareness, technology and innovation, and support services.
- offers a unique approach or an innovation in the delivery of harm minimisation or promotion and understanding of responsible gambling.
- will result in future practical applications to benefit the people of NSW.

Viability

The extent to which the proposal:

- has an achievable project scope/research methodology and timeline
- brings together a project team with the appropriate skills to ensure success
- will be managed by an organisation with a sound track record in delivering similar projects.

Learnings

The extent to which the proposal:

- has an evidenced understanding of the current opportunity or issue the project intends to address
- incorporates evaluation to present a final report with analysis of project learnings.

Budget

The extent to which the proposal:

- offers value for money and appropriate use of government funds
- includes direct or in-kind contributions from the applicant
- is based on realistic estimated costs.

Priority focus

Based on funding demand, priority will be given to projects that include a focus on:

- youth
- vulnerable, disadvantaged or specific communities such as Aboriginal or CALD
- embracing or developing new technologies
- innovative or unique proposals
- projects that address prevention or minimisation of gambling harm.

Funding conditions

If you are approved for funding you will be required to:

- sign a letter of agreement
- publicise the funding from the Office of Responsible Gambling in relevant publications, media or other material
- acquit the grant by providing a report on the project within 6 weeks of the project being completed.

Contact us

Contact the Office of Responsible Gambling Grants team for assistance:

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