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Ann Leahy's August 2019 Funding Update

QCWA Public Rural Crisis Fund (PRCF)

The QCWA are currently assisting farmers and their families with household support in flood and drought affected areas, in every part of Queensland. Support is given in the form of grocery vouchers, store credit or being able to pay some overdue accounts such as utility bills. For more information, Ph 07 3026 1220 email: secretary@qcwa.org.au; Ann Leahy's Electorate Office Ph 1800 625 430 or visit:

<http://www.qcwa.org.au/what-we-do/public-rural-crisis-fund/>

Rural Economic Development Grants - Expressions of Interest

Expressions of Interest for Round 2 close Friday, 6th September 2019 for grants to fund projects which provide unique opportunities to generate economic and employment opportunities related to primary production across rural and remote Queensland. Grants are available up to a maximum of \$250,000 with a 50 percent cash contribution requirement from applicants. Example projects eligible under the scheme could include the development of new products or markets, or improved business processes where such investment creates employment. QRIDA is leading a competitive selection process for the grants.

Successful Expression of Interest applicants will be invited to submit a full application. It is essential that applicants read the guidelines prior to applying for information relating to eligibility, application and assessment processes, timeframes and obligations as an applicant. For more information on the Rural Economic Development Grants Scheme: Ph 1800 623 946 or email redgrants@qrda.qld.gov.au; Ann Leahy's Electorate Office Ph 1800 625 430 or visit: <http://www.qrida.qld.gov.au/current-programs/redgrants>

Gambling Community Benefit Fund (GCBF)

The Gambling Community Benefit Fund (GCBF) Round 102 closes on 31st August 2019. Grants from \$500 and up to the value of \$35,000 are available to eligible not-for-profit community groups. New applicants are encouraged to watch the tutorials on the website. Further assistance with registering or applying for a grant is available on Monday to Friday, from 8.30am to 5.00pm (excluding public holidays) via Ph 3247 4284 or 1800 633 619, email cbf@justice.qld.gov.au; Ann Leahy's Electorate Office Ph 1800 625 430 or visit: <http://www.justice.qld.gov.au/corporate/sponsorships-and-grants/grants/community-benefit-funding-programs>. Applicants are encouraged to submit their applications to each round as unsuccessful applications from previous rounds do not roll over.

Saluting Their Service Commemorations Program

Applications are assessed in batches, the next cut-off date is 6th November 2019 with the final closing date 31st March 2020. There are grants available in two categories; Community Commemorative Grants up to a maximum of \$4,000 and Major Commemorative Grants that are significant from a national or state/territory perspective. The program is designed to preserve Australia's wartime heritage and to involve people throughout the nation in a wide range of projects and activities that highlight the service and sacrifice of Australia's service personnel in wars, conflicts and peace operations, and promote appreciation and understanding of the role that those who served have played in shaping the nation. For more information and assistance Ph 1800 020 283 email support@communitygrants.gov.au; contact Ann



Leahy's Electorate Office Ph 1800 625 430 or visit:

<https://www.communitygrants.gov.au/grants/saluting-their-service-commemorations-program>

The Queensland Veterans' Memorial Grants Program

Applications close on 20th October 2019 for funding to restore, conserve and create monuments, memorials and public memorial sites acknowledging Queensland veterans' contributions. Queensland veterans' groups and other eligible organisations such as local councils, incorporated associations or bodies, corporations operating on a not-for-profit basis and site or memorial custodians who are not ineligible entities are encouraged to check guidelines at:

<https://anzac100.initiatives.qld.gov.au/grants/veterans-memorial/assets/QVMGP-guidelines-2019.pdf>

For more information Ph: (07) 3003 9173, email: memorialgrants@premiers.qld.gov.au; Ann Leahy's Electorate Office Ph 1800 625 430 or visit: <https://anzac100.initiatives.qld.gov.au/grants/veterans-memorial/index.aspx>

Netball - You Grow Girl Grants

Entries are open to any Australian netball club or association. Clubs or associations should have a specific project in mind for how the grant will be used to benefit their local community. Grants will be awarded throughout the following period 28th June 2019 – 30th September 2019. Judges will select grant recipients weekly and all winning applicants will be notified within 2 business days. All grants will consist of the same elements, to ensure fairness and transparency. There are 2 types of grants available: 50 x \$2,000 grants and 5 x \$20,000 grants. For more information email yougrowgirl@tlaworldwide.com; Ann Leahy's Electorate Office Ph 1800 625 430 or visit: <https://yougrowgirl.netball.com.au/grants/>

Connellan Airways Trust - Individual General Grants

Applications close on Thursday, 15th August 2019 for small grants to assist people of all ages living in outback Australia for educational, health, communication and transport needs. To view eligibility guidelines and the application process, please visit: <http://www.connellanairwaystrust.org.au/guidelines-for-an-individual-application-for-general-grant>. For more information contact Connellan Airways Trust Executive Officer, Ph 1800 733 810 or 0439 049 646, email: info@connellanairwaystrust.org.au; or Ann Leahy's Electorate Office Ph 1800 625 430.

Queensland Day 2020

Applications close on Monday, 9th September 2019 for sponsorship of up to \$15,000 (exclusive of GST) for events being held to celebrate Queensland Day in 2020. Initiatives are encouraged to be held on Queensland Day, 6th June, however may be held between 30th May and 7th June 2020. Initiatives will need to: raise community awareness of Queensland Day and Queensland themes; encourage community participation and engagement; contribute to a state-wide program of diverse, inclusive and innovative community events, celebrations, initiatives and promotions; promote social, cultural and economic benefit to the community; showcase local or Queensland entertainers, produce or icons. For more information Ph 07 3003 9200 email: qlddaysponsorship@premiers.qld.gov.au; Ann Leahy's Electorate Office Ph 1800 625 430 or visit: <https://qgsponsorship.smartygrants.com.au/QDSP2020>



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Youngcare At Home Care Grants (AHCG)

Grants of up to \$10,000 to provide essential equipment, home modifications or services such as respite or in-home care, to prevent new admissions into aged care and enhance the quality of life for young people (aged 18-65 years) with high care needs living at home who are at risk of entering inappropriate housing. Applications must be submitted by Wednesday, 11th September 2019 and the online application form and information booklet can be accessed from <https://www.youngcare.com.au/wp-content/uploads/AHCG-Information-Booklet-2019-1.pdf> or further information please contact Youngcare Connect Team Ph 1800 844 727, email: ahcg@youngcare.com.au; Ann Leahy's Electorate Office Ph 1800 625 430 or visit <https://www.youngcare.com.au/what-we-do/grants/>

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RACQ Local Sponsorships

Closing on 15th November 2019, Sponsorships of up to \$3000 are available with applications invited for events, programs or activities that align with one or more of RACQ's corporate responsibility categories which include: motoring heritage, Queensland lifestyle, community wellbeing, and education. Visit: <https://www.racq.com.au/about/community-and-sponsorships/sponsorships/sponsorship-applications> For more information: Ph 3872 8674, email: local.sponsorships@racq.com.au; or contact Ann Leahy's Electorate Office Ph 1800 625 430.

Tackling Tough Times Together (TTTT)

Tackling Tough Times Together is a rolling grants program with applications accepted at any time and assessed quarterly. The program's aim is to help communities access the resources they need to support one another through the ongoing effects of the drought. Grants are available for a broad range of grassroots, community-led initiatives that directly and clearly benefit local communities. Three tiers of grants are available: Up to \$20,000 – projects to be finalised within 18 months of approval; Up to \$60,000 – projects to be finalised within 18 months of approval; Up to \$150,000 – applications for this tier are by Expression of Interest, and multi-year projects (up to three years) are welcomed. Applicants must speak with the TTTT team to discuss their project before applying. NOTE: Expressions of Interest close approximately 3 weeks before the quarterly due date for applications. Projects in all tiers must clearly demonstrate a focus on one activity from the following seven areas, with a further breakdown of what can be funded on the website. 1. Building community resilience; 2. Developing organisational resilience and capacity; 3. Enhancing environmental sustainability; 4. Fostering cultural vibrancy; 5. Lifelong learning and education; 6. Economic strength; 7. Improving community health and social



wellbeing. For more information Ph 1800 170 020, email toughtimes@frrr.org.au; Ann Leahy's Electorate Office Ph 1800 625 430 or visit: https://www.frrr.org.au/grants/tackling_tough_times_together.php

FRRR - Strengthening Rural Communities (SRC) - Small & Vital

Small & Vital grants can be used for a wide range of purposes including: Delivering activities, programs and services; Purchasing or hiring equipment and materials; Community infrastructure projects; and Operational and administrative costs associated with a project will be considered. This could include wages, paying a skilled contractor, or paying for overhead costs incurred in the project's delivery. Applications must clearly demonstrate a focus on one activity from the following seven activity areas. 1. Building community resilience; 2. Developing organisational resilience and capacity; 3. Enhancing environmental sustainability; 4. Fostering cultural vibrancy; 5. Lifelong learning and education; 6. Economic strength; and 7. Improving community health and social wellbeing. Further detailed information of activities that will be considered for funding can be found on the website. www.frrr.org.au; Applications close on 24th September 2019, however SRC –Small & Vital is a rolling grants program with applications accepted at any time. The cut-off for submissions and outcome advisory dates of successful applicants are listed on the website. If you have any queries or wish to discuss your project please contact FRRR on 1800 170 020, email: info@frrr.org.au; Ann Leahy's Electorate Office Ph 1800 625 430 or visit: https://www.frrr.org.au/SRC_Small_Vital.php.

Deafness Foundation 2020 National Encouragement Awards

Applications close on Thursday, 31st October for projects that support the deaf and hard of hearing which address the Deafness Foundation's Strategic Priorities. To assist in determining eligibility of your project visit: <http://deafness.org.au/grants-awards/financial-grants-program/> to view guidelines and download application form. For further enquiries, email: management@deafness.org.au; Ph (03) 9738 2909 or contact Ann Leahy's Electorate Office Ph 1800 625 430.

Emerging Athlete Pathways (replaces the Young Athletes Travel Subsidy).

Eligibility and application process remains the same for now. Emerging Athlete Pathways aims to foster the development of young athletes and support elite athlete pathways by providing financial assistance to help alleviate the costs associated with attending championship events. The subsidy provides financial assistance through three event tiers and supports attendance at specific state, national and international events. Officials (such as coaches, referees and scorers) officiating at eligible events can also apply for assistance if they meet the eligibility criteria. For more information on eligibility requirements and the application process Ph 1300 656 191, email: srswsportrec@nprsr.qld.gov.au; Danny Nearhos Ph 4531 8526 (Maranoa, Balonne and Western Downs) or Penny Pike Ph 4596 1006 (Bulloo, Quilpie, Murweh and Paroo), Ann Leahy's Electorate Office Ph 1800 625 430 or visit: <https://www.qld.gov.au/recreation/sports/funding/athletes/emerging-athlete-pathways/eligibility>

FairPlay Voucher (replaces Get Started Vouchers program).

Parents, carers or guardians can apply for a voucher valued up to \$150 for their child/young person. Vouchers can be used towards the cost of membership, registration and/or participation fees for eligible activities with registered physical activity providers. Round 1 of FairPlay is now open for applications and will close on 9th October 2019. Support will also be available for families who struggle with the cost



of regular participation, but have not previously met the eligibility criteria for a voucher. As part of a limited trial, families with a combined household annual income of less than \$55,000, who do not hold a Health Care Card or Pensioner Concession Card, can register an expression of interest for a FairPlay voucher. For more information visit:

<https://www.qld.gov.au/recreation/sports/funding/fairplay/apply> Ph 137 468, email: fairplayvouchers@npsr.qld.gov.au; or contact Ann Leahy's Electorate Office Ph 1800 625 430.

Ian Potter Cultural Trust - Round 3

Applications close Tuesday 10th September 2019 for grants up to \$10,000 to assist emerging and early career artists of exceptional talent to take up professional development opportunities, usually overseas. The Trust primarily provides support for structured professional development and networking opportunities usually overseas such as: Residencies or study tours which have a clear skills development focus, mentoring or private lessons, internships, workshops and conferences, postgraduate study with a focus on professional development and artistic practice. The Trust may also consider supporting: the purchase of non-standard musical instruments or equipment, costs of film-making for final year or post-grad film students or the professional development opportunities within Australia where no equivalent opportunities exist overseas. For more information: Ph 03 9650 3188, visit: <http://www.ianpotterculturaltrust.org.au/how-to-apply-for-a-grant> or contact Ann Leahy's Electorate Office Ph 1800 625 430.

Aussie Cotton Farmers Grow Communities

This program aims to help support local communities in cotton growing regions. Cotton Farmers can nominate a community group or not-for-profit organisation to receive one of thirty \$5,000 grants. This is a great opportunity for groups or initiatives that are important to the community to get a funding boost. Applications will be accepted online or by mail up until 5pm on Friday, 30th August, 2019. For further information Ph 1800 170 020 email: info@frrr.org.au; contact Ann Leahy's Electorate Office Ph 1800 625 430 or visit: <https://www.frrr.org.au/grants/Cotton-Farmers-Grow-Communities> and <http://au.smarterfarming.info/monsanto-grants/acfgc-about-the-program>

Arrow Energy Brighter Futures Program – Round 3 2019

Closes on 6th September 2019 Preference is given to applications that address an identified area of need in the community, build skills or capacity in the local community and provide opportunities for community involvement. Projects and initiatives which encourage sustainability and community empowerment are also prioritised. Applicants need to demonstrate in their submission, how their project or initiative aligns with at least one of the three focus areas - health and safety, education or environment. Priority is given to applications from communities within Arrow Energy's areas of operation. For more information Ph 1800 038 856, email: brighterfutures@arrowenergy.com.au; contact Ann Leahy's Electorate Office Ph 1800 625 430 or visit: <https://www.arrowenergy.com.au/community/brighter-futures>

Other Grants and Assistance available to Businesses

Australian Government business grants and assistance: <https://business.gov.au/assistance> for Queensland Government business grants and assistance: <https://business.qld.gov.au>; or contact Ann Leahy's Electorate Office Ph 1800 625 430.



Australian Government Support and National Services

Individuals, families, farms, and rural and regional communities can access a range of services and support to help them manage during times of hardship, including drought, and prepare for future conditions.

It is important that those in need of support do not self-assess their eligibility for assistance and instead seek advice from an expert, like a rural financial counsellor. For more information on services available, please access the link (below).

<http://www.agriculture.gov.au/SiteCollectionDocuments/ag-food/drought/drought-assistance-information-pack.pdf>

Please note: Although still listed in the document above - the Drought Community Support Initiative is currently closed.

The Rural Financial Counselling Service (RFCS)

Provides free financial counselling to farmers, fishers, forest growers and harvesters and small related businesses who are suffering financial hardship. It's a confidential, independent, mobile service available in all states and territories. The service offers personalised agri-business expertise to deal with hardship, help clients identify options and maximise the value of their assets. For more information call 1800 686 175 or visit www.agriculture.gov.au/rfcs. If you do not have internet access please contact Ann Leahy's Electorate Office Ph 1800 625 430 or warrego@parliament.qld.gov.au for assistance.

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