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**RESILIENCE** 



### Funding guideline











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### How to apply for Community Resilience funding

- 1. Read this guideline to understand the process for allocation of funding to Community Organisations.
- 2. Complete the Community Resilience Funding Application Form.
- 3. Provide all information as requested.
- 4. Submit your application by the closing date.

The Community Resilience initiative is funded through the Foundation for Rural and Regional Renewal (FRRR). Gulf Savannah NRM has been nominated Lead organization to facilitate this initiative within the Mareeba, Etheridge and Croydon Shires.

The Community Resilience initiative aims to strengthen and improve the ability of communities to adapt or transform in response to drought, for improved economic, environmental and social wellbeing.

### Who can apply for funding?

Any community group/organisation that provides services within the Mareeba, Etheridge and Croydon Shires can access funding for activities that contribute to social wellbeing and community resilience in times of drought.

To receive funding the organisation must:

- o Be a not-for-profit organization
- Hold a bank account with an Australian financial institution
- Have an ABN or ACN











### Funding available

Funding will support activities that improved economic, environmental and social wellbeing of the community. Community groups/organisations can apply for funds up to **\$2000**.

### What can funds be used for?

Example of possible activity	Potential expense covered by funding
Local community social event to improve connection and awareness	Cost of fridge to provide refreshments
Subject matter expert support (Health professional)	Expenses (travel/accommodation)
Community organisation becoming a legal entity	Accountant fees for legal structure
Course/workshop to increase capability within the community	Travel, course/workshop expenses

### **Activities that will NOT be funded**

Activities that do not contribute to drought resilience or community wellbeing.

Activities that are not located within the Mareeba, Etheridge or Croydon Shires

Business or for-profit activities











### **Application assessment**

On receipt of your completed application, Gulf Savannah NRM will review the application to ensure it meets the requirements of the funding guideline. At this point, you may be contacted if further clarification or additional information is required.

The total funding pool is limited, so applications will be assessed for eligibility and prioritised. This will be based on community benefit.

An assessment panel will be appointed to assess and impartially rank all applications. The panel will abide by good governance principles and ensure any 'conflict of interest' matters are identified and managed appropriately.

You will be notified in writing of the success or otherwise of your application.

#### Questions

If you have any questions during the application period, please contact Gulf Savannah NRM via the contact details at the end of this document.

#### Feedback on your application

If you are unsuccessful, you may seek feedback from Gulf Savannah NRM within three months of being advised of the outcome. If you are unsuccessful, you can modify your application and apply in future funding rounds.

### Successful applications

Successful applicants will be notified via email or phone by **31 January 2024**.

Arrangement for grant payment will be made within 30 working days of approval.













### **Acquittal/Reporting**

Successful grant applicants are required to complete an acquittal report by **2nd December 2024.** 

Proof of expenditure (eg. invoice/receipts) must be provided with the acquittal report

### **Evaluation**

Gulf Savannah NRM may use information from your application and project report for evaluation purposes. Gulf Savannah NRM may also contact you and ask for more information to help us understand how the funding benefited your community.

### **Privacy**

We collect your personal information in regards to the Community Resilience funding program. This information will be treated with confidentiality by Gulf Savannah NRM and will not be used for any other purposes.

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