

Introduction

Impact100 WA is a collective giving group providing high-impact grants to local, Western Australian not-for-profit (NFP) organisations. Since 2012 we have granted \$2,405,000 to 42 different organisations to run transformational initiatives. We are a sub-fund of the **Australian Communities Foundation**.

Our grant strategy includes making AT LEAST ONE **Primary Grant** of \$100,000 each year. Since 2015, donated funds have allowed us to make multiple Primary Grants as well as award smaller Runner Up grants each year.

Competitive applicants will demonstrate the potential for high impact with a Primary Grant.

Key Objectives

In 2023, Impact100 WA invites applications for initiatives that aim to meet the following **objectives**:

- Make a significant and measurable difference to an under-served cause or population in WA.
- Address a specific need, for a specific duration and achieve specific measurable outcomes.

As guidance, donors of Impact100 WA have a preference for:

- Initiatives that deliver more widespread outcomes.
- Lesser-known, smaller, WA-based NFP organisations.

Focus Areas

Applications are invited for any one of the following **focus areas**:

- **Arts & Culture** - Initiatives that cultivate, develop, and enhance the cultural and artistic climate in WA.
- **Education** - Initiatives that provide learning opportunities or improve access to education for children and/or adults in WA.
- **Environment** - Initiatives that restore, preserve, revitalise or enhance the natural or recreational environment of WA.
- **Health & Wellness** - Initiatives that positively impact the mental and/or physical wellbeing of people in WA.
- **Family & Community** - Initiatives that strengthen and enhance the lives of children, families and communities in WA.

Eligibility

Impact100 WA has developed criteria and guidelines in conjunction with Australian Communities Foundation and will only consider applications which meet ALL of the following:

- Organisation has been operating for **at least 36 months**.
- Organisation has an annual **operating budget/revenue** of under \$5 million and over \$100,000. (Applications from organisations with an operating budget/revenue outside this range may be accepted at the discretion of the Impact100 WA Committee).
- Organisation has **Tax Concession Charity status** from the Australian Taxation Office (ATO).
- Organisation has **Deductible Gift Recipient (Item 1) status** from the ATO.
- Organisation is registered with **ACNC/ORIC**.
- Initiative aligns with at least one of our **focus areas** (see above).

Further,

- Proposed initiatives must utilise the **full amount** of the Primary Grant (\$100,000).
- Initiatives must be completed **within 24 months** of the grant date, and there must be significant progress to report after 12 months.

- Applications will be accepted from all States and Territories of Australia only for initiatives conducted within WA and **benefitting Western Australians**.
- Impact100 WA strongly prefers to be a **primary funding partner** for the initiative and where possible, for any other funding sources to be confirmed.
- Applications will NOT be accepted from
 - Religious organisations where the grant is intended for the principal benefit of the organisation's own members or adherents, or where the grant is intended for inherently religious activities.
 - Organisations who are a conduit to pass funding to others, rather than the entity performing the work.

Expenditure

We will not fund the following expenditure:

- General operating expenses (except for operating and administration costs related to your initiative).
- Salaries that are not related to your initiative.
- Debt reduction or operational deficits.
- Fundraising activities or events.
- Legal expenses.
- Scientific research as the basis of your initiative.
- General construction, capital expenditure or renovations (that are unrelated to your initiative).
- Travel outside Australia.
- Initiatives that should be funded by the Government or other relevant bodies.

Additional Guidelines

- An organisation may submit only ONE application each year.
- Organisations applying in 2023 may not have previously been awarded an Impact100 WA Primary Grant of \$100,000 in either 2019 or since that year.
- Impact100 WA calls for and reviews all applications, and makes recommendations for grants to be approved by Australian Communities Foundation as Trustee.
- You will be advised by mid-late June whether or not your application has been shortlisted by Impact100 WA donors, after they have reviewed all initial grant applications.
- We will not necessarily give reasons if your initial grant application was not successful.
- If your application is shortlisted in the initial review, you will be invited to complete a more detailed, full grant application and host a site visit for a small delegation of our donors.
- If you are one of the finalists selected after full grant applications have been reviewed and site visits conducted, your representative will be required to give a 5-minute presentation at our annual Grant Awards Dinner on **Tuesday 24th October 2023**, when our donors will vote for their preferred recipient(s) of the Primary Grant(s).
- If you receive a Primary Grant, a representative from your organisation may be required to talk about the impact the grant has made at Impact100 WA events in the following two years.

NB. Our guidelines continue to evolve and Impact100 WA reserves the right to change its criteria without notice at any time.

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Initial Application

Applications should be made using the **Initial Grant Application Form** provided.

Please complete the entire form to be the best of your ability. Do not change the order or layout of the form.

Any queries about making an application can be addressed to grants@impact100wa.org.au

You must also provide the following attachments:

- **High-level Budget** for your initiative (using the budget template provided)
- Copy of your latest **AGM minutes**
- Your most recent published **annual report**
- Audited/reviewed **financial statements** for the last 2 years (i.e., showing results for last 3 years)

Send your completed grant application form and attachments via email to grants@impact100wa.org.au to arrive no later than **5 pm on Thursday 18th May 2023**.

Key Dates

Key dates for 2023 are as follows:

Date	Time	Milestone
20 Mar 2023		2023 Grants Round opens
4 Apr	11am	Online Q&A session for potential applicants - please register to attend using this link: https://www.trybooking.com/CGZAV
18 May	5 pm	Deadline to submit initial grant applications
Late Jun		All applicants advised whether they have made the shortlist
4 Aug	12 pm	Deadline for shortlisted applicants to complete full grant application
14-31 Aug	TBC	Site visits to shortlisted applicants
Mid Sept		Shortlisted applicants advised whether they are one of the finalists
Oct	TBC	Pitch training for finalists who are required to prepare a 5-minute presentation to be delivered at our Grant Awards Dinner
24 Oct	Evening	Annual Grant Awards Dinner where finalists make presentations and donors vote to decide Primary Grant recipient(s)
Nov/Dec		Grants awarded to winners and runners up

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