

# 2025 WELA Giving Circle Grant Round One

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## *Australian Communities Foundation*

### *Check your eligibility*

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#### **What type of applicant are you?\***

You must be able to respond YES to one of the following to apply:

- An Australian registered charity with the ACNC (DGR status not required); OR
- Incorporated organisation with an ABN (Company Limited by Guarantee); OR
- Sole Trader with an ABN (must be auspiced by or affiliated with an organisation).

#### **Choices**

Yes

No

#### **Does your organisation meet the eligibility criteria?\***

You must be able to respond YES to the following eligibility criteria:

- Led by women and/or gender-diverse people?
- Focused on environment or climate action: advocacy, a campaign and/or projects to protect the environment and climate?
- Have an income less than \$1.5 million?
- Based in Australia

#### **Choices**

Yes

No

#### **Will the potential funding be directed towards any of the exclusions?\***

You must be able to respond NO to the following to progress:

- Retrospective activities
- Non-charitable activities
- Projects or activities that are politically partisan in nature
- Projects led by individuals who do not have organisational affiliation or support
- Commercial activities including social enterprises
- On-ground environmental actions such as tree-planting, or installation of solar on buildings
- Grant funds cannot be used for electoral expenditure or the creation or communication of electoral matters (as defined in the Commonwealth Electoral Act 1918), or to incur

electoral or political expenditure or communicate political or electoral matters under any similar applicable state or territory legislation

- Green building projects including energy efficiency upgrades.
- Political campaigns that support specific parties or candidates.
- Straight research, unless it is in direct support of a developed plan for specific action to alleviate an environmental problem.
- Land acquisition

### Choices

Yes

No

## *Do you require an Auspice?*

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Your organisation is not required to have DGR1 status, however, we would like to understand whether you require one or not.

Noting that WELA can act as your organisation's auspice (if required) or you can engage your existing auspicings partner (if applicable).

### Choices

Yes

No

### **If yes, please let us know who will be acting as your Auspice (WELA or existing Auspice Partner)**

Please include their organisational name and link to their ACNC registration. See [here](#) to search them on ACNC.

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## *Not eligible*

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Unfortunately you are not eligible to receive funding from WELA's Giving Circle Grant Round at this time.

If you would like to get in touch to talk more about your application and WELA's grant guidelines, please get in contact with Sarojini Krishnapillai at [sarojini@wela.org.au](mailto:sarojini@wela.org.au).

You can also join WELA's email list for new grant rounds at [www.wela.org.au](http://www.wela.org.au) and follow them on Instagram on [@\\_we\\_are\\_wela](https://www.instagram.com/_we_are_wela).

## *Applicant details*

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### **Organisation Name\***

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### **Organisation ABN (if applicable)**

Please provide your organisation's ABN. See [here](#) to search your organisation on ABN Lookup.

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### **ACNC Registration (if applicable)**

Please provide a link to your ACNC registration. See [here](#) to search your organisation on ACNC.

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### **Contact Name\***

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### **What is your position at the organisation?\***

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### **Website (if applicable)**

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### **Instagram (if applicable)**

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### **Facebook (if applicable)**

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### **X (if applicable)**

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### **Tiktok (if applicable)**

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## *Let us get to know your organisation (all answers around 150 - 200 words)*

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We want this process to be simple and easy for you. Feel free to copy and paste from existing documentation you have or your website.

### **What is your organisation's mission statement or 'about us' paragraph?\***

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**Detail how your organisation is led by women and/or gender-diverse people\***

For example, WELA welcome applications from projects that are led by women and gender diverse people in their development and decision making. This might look like women and gender-diverse people as CEOs, co-CEOs, and Campaign Managers, on their boards and at the centre of their strategy development and project implementation.

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**Project Name\***

This is a required field for the system. Please complete this field with "Core capacity funding".

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**Which state or territory do you operate in?\***

Please select all that apply.

**Choices**

ACT  
NSW  
NT  
QLD  
SA  
TAS  
VIC  
WA  
National

**Please describe the problem which you seek to solve\***

An example looks like "The problem we seek to address is the inequitable impact of climate change on rural women".

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**Please share your strategic objectives for the next 12 months\***

You may wish to share a funding prospectus; list key tactics, activities or a brief timeline.

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**What does success look like? What will you measure to determine this?\***

Success can be measured in many ways. Please expand on your vision of success in a narrative form first and then provide some relevant metrics.

Examples below are ideas only: "Success will be where..."

- "We have helped to shift public attitudes on..."
- "We began a new collaboration or partnership with..."
- "We have strengthened organisational capacity by doing..."

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## Please list your key staff and their experience, or simply share their LinkedIn profiles\*

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## *Funding Request*

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### How much funding are you seeking from the WELA Giving Circle?\*

Noting that this funding is unrestricted / core capacity for your organisation and the maximum funding amount is up to \$5,000 for this grant round.

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## *Supporting Documents and Acknowledgement*

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### Please upload or link any documents which you feel will be useful to the Shortlisting Committee

This could be your organisation's impact or annual reports, or project material / collateral. However, this is not required.

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If you prefer to link your additional documents, please do so below.

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### Acknowledgement\*

- I state that the information in this application form is to the best of my knowledge true and correct.
- I understand that this is an expressions of interest only and may not necessarily result in an invitation to complete a grant application or funding approval.

### Choices

Yes

No

### Are you interested in volunteering / pro bono support from the WELA community?\*

If you are unsuccessful with this grant application, would you be interested in volunteer / pro bono support from the WELA community, where we match organisations with experts from the WELA community to provide support and feedback.

### Choices

Yes

No

## *Feedback on this grant application*

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To ensure we provide a good experience to all our applicants, we would appreciate your feedback on the form process.

Please note your responses here will not affect the outcome of the grant decision and these answers will not be forwarded to the selection committee as part of your application.

### **Please select the option that best describes how you found the online application process**

1 = Very easy    2 = Easy    3 = Neutral    4 = Difficult    5 = Very difficult

**Scoring Options:** 1 - 5

### **How many minutes did it take you to prepare and submit your application?**

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### **Other comments**

Please provide us with your suggestions about any improvements and/or additions to the application process/form.

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