



[Pride Foundation Australia \(PFA\)](#) is a national philanthropic foundation specifically focused on funding lesbian, gay, bisexual, trans, queer, intersex, asexual and other (LGBTQIA+) community issues in Australia.

The Foundation advocates for systemic change to advance LGBTQIA+ equity and inclusion and provide direct support to affected communities / individuals.

We raise awareness of LGBTQIA+ disadvantage and work to increase philanthropic support for the Australian LGBTQIA+ and allied communities through fundraising, grant giving, collaboration and commissioning projects – prioritizing funding to LGBTQIA+ communities traditionally underrepresented and under-resourced.

2026 Large Grant Round – Supporting forcibly displaced LGBTQIA+ people

Pride Foundation Australia (PFA) is proud to announce their first large grant round for 2026 with a total funding pool of \$20,000, with a focus on supporting sexuality, sex and gender diverse (LGBTQIA+) people who have been forcibly displaced and residing in Australia.

Grant applications should be to the value of up to \$20,000 over two years (if applicable).

Funding considerations

Projects must aim to support sexuality, sex and gender diverse (**LGBTQIA+**) *people who have been forcibly displaced* in at least one of the following areas:

- Improving access to stable housing,
- Enhancing education and/or workforce participation,
- Enhancing support for community connection and improving settlement outcomes,
- Improving health and/or health literacy,
- Supporting links to LGBTQIA+ services and supports,
- Enhancing cultural engagement and development,
- Improving LGBTQIA+ inclusivity and culturally appropriate practices in services.

Types of projects with a duration of up to two years may include any of the following:

- Community development, or
- Education and training initiatives, or
- Health and wellbeing initiatives, or
- Applied, community-led research with tangible outcomes in the field, or
- Events including arts and cultural or conferences.

LGBTQIA+ focused means that projects must be specifically focused on people of diverse sexual orientations, gender identities, gender expression and/or sex characteristics.

Forcibly displaced people (FDP) are individuals who face forced / involuntary displacement due to persecution, conflict, violence, human rights violations, natural disasters and seek safety across borders. This encompasses refugees, asylum seekers, or first-generation people born in Australia with a refugee background in their family.

PFA strongly encourages applicants to work with people with lived experience and relevant organisations. For example, if the applying organisation is FDP-focused, they should partner with LGBTQIA+ organisations.

Partnerships should be arranged prior to the full grant application being submitted, and ideally, supply of 'letters of support' would demonstrate the commitment and should be included in the grant application.

Exclusions

The following activities will **not** be funded:

- Capital and building works, vehicles, furniture or equipment,
- General fundraising,
- Travel, books, religious activities.

Who can apply?

- Organisational status that is recognised through incorporation, who are registered as a business or association with an [ABN](#) (charity registration and DGR status is not required)
- Organisations who have received a previous grant from PFA are eligible to re-apply for an extension or new project but is required to submit an acquittal for the previously funded project.
- Individuals cannot apply.

Timeframes

- Expressions of interests (EOIs) are open from 9am AEDT on Monday, 2 March 2026 to 5pm AEST on Friday, 10 April 2026.
- Shortlisted EOIs will be invited to submit a grant application by mid-May 2026.
- Grant applications must be submitted by 5pm AEST on Friday, 29 May 2026.
- Successful and unsuccessful applicants will be notified by mid-late June 2026.
- Grants will be paid from late June 2026 onwards.

Expression of interest and application process

To view/access and submit an Expression of interest (EOI) and grant application, you must be logged into a registered account on the [Australian Communities Foundation Grants Portal](#) and enter the access code **PFAGR2026**.

Please create an account on the Australian Communities Foundation Grants Portal [here](#). If you already have an account, please use your existing username and password. Make sure to note your username and password as you will be able to save and continue the form at a later date.

Please note: All applications must be submitted in full with all supporting documentation by 5pm AEST on the closing date. Any incomplete applications or applications received after 5pm AEST will be treated as ineligible.

Contact details

If you have any questions in relation to the grant guidelines or require technical assistance with the application process, please contact Charlene Yum (Grants Manager, Australian Communities Foundation) at grants@communityfoundation.org.au or 03 9412 0412.

Australian Communities Foundation's office hours are Monday to Friday 9am-5pm.