

Frequently asked questions



Key dates

Online applications open: 9am Monday 14 March 2016 (AEDT)

Online applications close: Midnight Friday 15 April 2016 (AEST)

Assessment & judging period: 18 April 2016–31 May 2016

Outcome communications: By 8 June 2016

Disbursement of funds: By 30 June 2016

Awards event: Mid June – Early July (date tbc)

Our organisation is a not-for-profit with DGR1 status but we are not a customer of the NAB Group of Companies, can we apply? No. To apply for a NAB Community Grant, applicants must meet all of the eligibility criteria including being a customer of the NAB Group of Companies as at 1 February 2016.

Our organisation is a not-for-profit but does not have DGR1 status, can we apply? No. NAB are only able to distribute funds to organisations with DGR1 status due to governance requirements.

Can our organisation submit more than one application?

Yes. Applicants have the option to apply for up to two grants. This is limited to one Executive Scholarship Grant and one application in one other category. Applicants may only be awarded one grant in total, at the full discretion of the assessment panel. All judges' decisions are final.

Our organisation has previously been awarded a NAB Community Grant or an MLC Community Foundation Grant, can we apply again? Yes. Previous recipients of either a NAB Community Grant or MLC Community Foundation Grant may apply for a grant in 2016. Previous grant recipients need to meet all eligibility requirements for the 2016 program and must have submitted all acquittal requirements to date for previous grants that have been awarded.

Can our organisation apply for both a NAB Community Grant and a NAB Foundation Grant?

Yes. Applicants may apply for both a NAB Community Grant and a NAB Foundation Grant.

Can our organisation submit supporting documentation in addition to the application? No. Applications will be assessed on the responses to the questions in the application form.

If our organisation is successful in receiving a grant, what are the reporting requirements?	There will be a two-stage acquittal process. An update will be required 10 months after receiving the funding and a final acquittal report 18 months later.
What are the selection criteria?	Selection criteria will be made available on the application forms for each category.
What is the period of funding?	Funding is provided as a one-off grant for initiatives to be completed in Australia within 18 months of receiving grant funding.
What is the grant value?	This varies per category and will be outlined on the application forms. As a guide, the maximum grant value is generally \$50,000.
How many grants will NAB award per category?	There is no set limit on the number of grants per category.
How will our organisation receive updates on our application(s)?	The person submitting your application(s) will receive an automated email to confirm when they have started an application, and an automated email to confirm when they have submitted it. Applicants will also receive an email to confirm the outcome of any submitted application(s) by 8 June 2016.
Can our organisation submit our application via email?	No. Only applications submitted via the online application system will be accepted.
Is feedback provided for unsuccessful applications?	High level feedback on unsuccessful applications will be made available on request to assist with future funding applications. Judges' decisions are final.
Can charitable trusts and other philanthropic funding bodies apply for a grant?	Charitable trusts and other philanthropic funding bodies are generally DGR2 entities, and as such are not eligible.
Are sporting clubs eligible to apply for a grant?	Sporting clubs that meet all of the eligibility criteria are eligible to apply for a grant. Grant applications must align to the categories and selection criteria of the 2016 program.
Can social enterprises apply for a grant?	Social enterprises that meet all of the eligibility criteria are eligible to apply for a grant. Grant applications must align to the categories and selection criteria of the 2016 program.
Are schools and universities eligible to apply for a grant?	Schools and universities that meet all of the eligibility criteria are eligible to apply for a grant if they have a non-curricula initiative to nominate. Grant applications must align to the categories and selection criteria of the 2016 program.
Are religious organisations eligible to apply for a grant?	Religious organisations that meet all of the eligibility criteria can apply for a grant for initiatives that deliver a material social value and that are aligned to the grants categories for 2016. We will not fund initiatives promoting religious teachings or initiatives that provide religious pastoral support.
Can our organisation apply for a grant to conduct medical research?	No. Applications for conducting medical research projects will not be accepted.

For any further queries please email: grants@nab.com.au