Empowering Participants: Information, Assistance and Connections Grant Round

The National Disability Insurance Agency (NDIA) is pleased to announce the second round of demonstration projects that focus on Empowering participants: Information, assistance and connections.

The selected projects share a commitment to co-design and will create employment opportunities for people with disability. They will allow people with disability to share their lived experience of home and living (H&L) to help other NDIS participants make informed decisions about their own options.

A total of \$1.018 million in grant funding has been awarded across the following four projects:

| Organisation Name | Overview | Grant Value | Target location/s |
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| Summer Foundation | The co-design of a H&L Journey Roadmap to enable participants to feel confident to action their home and living goals. | \$174,000 over 1 year | National |
| Self-Advocacy Sydney Incorporated | The development of a peer mentoring network to build capacity and empower people with intellectual disability to make informed decisions about H&L support options. | \$280,000 over 2 years | New South Wales |
| VALID Inc. | The design and delivery of small workshops to people with intellectual disability to improve their knowledge of H&L opportunities. | \$358,000 over 2 years | Victoria |

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| University of Melbourne | A training module to build the capacity of people with multiple and complex disability support needs (specifically CHARGE Syndrome and Deafblind) and their families to work towards independent support living arrangements. | \$206,000 over 2 years | National |
| Total | | \$1.018 million | |

More information about the grant round is available below.

Background

In March 2023, the NDIA invited organisations to apply for grants to deliver innovative projects that empower NDIS participants to explore and understand their home and living possibilities as part of a second round of Home and Living Demonstration Projects.

This was a national grant round that used a competitive, merit-based selection process to award the grants, and allocate funding for projects up to two years.

Projects will test and evaluate different models for providing NDIS participants with high quality information, assistance and connections about home and living options.

Grant documentation

- <u>Grant Opportunity Guidelines Empowering Participants: Information, Assistance and Connections Grants (120KB DOCX)</u>
- Easy read Grant Opportunity Guidelines (72KB DOCX)
- Easy read Grant Opportunity Guidelines (16.9MB PDF)

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