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Minister for the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS), Stuart Robert, today announced over $12.5 million in funding for organisations in Western Australia to build the capacity of Australians with disability to participate in and contribute to the community.

Minister Robert said 12 WA-based organisations have been awarded grants under the NDIS Information, Linkages and Capacity Building (ILC) program, to build more inclusive communities for all Australians with disability, carers and their families.

‘The grant round is focused on individual capacity building for people with disability and sees the largest single injection of Government funding into the sector since the roll out of the ILC Program,’ Minister Robert said.

‘The grants represent another important step forward in ensuring people with disability have access to peer support, mentoring and other services that build their skills, knowledge and confidence to be involved with and benefit from the same community activities as all Australians.

‘It’s vital to highlight that ILC grants are not just for NDIS participants, their intent is to increase and enable participation for all Australians with disability in their local community.’

12 grants have been awarded to projects that are WA-based recipients including:

- Developmental Disability Council of Western Australia - for their Self-Advocacy and Peer Group Development Program,
- Youth Disability Advocacy Network - for their Disability Empowerment Project,
- Western Australia’s Individualised Services Inc for their program to build the capacity of people with complex communication needs to make decisions with their supporters,

The next Individual Capacity Building grant opportunity is anticipated to open for applications in late March 2020.

See the list of successful applicants.

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