Individual Capacity Building grant round now open for applications

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The Minister for the NDIS, Stuart Robert, has announced that the Individual Capacity Building (ICB) grant round 2020-2021 is now open for applications. $85m (GST excl.) in grants will be available to support projects that will go for up to two years. These projects will enable systematic, nationwide access to peer support, mentoring and other skills-building for people with disability, carers and families.

This grant opportunity forms part of the National Disability Insurance Agency's (NDIA) Information, Linkages and Capacity Building (ILC) program, which provides grants to organisations to deliver activities in the community that benefit all Australians with disability, their carers and families.

This grant round will focus on providing support to the following organisation types:

- Disabled Peoples Organisations (DPOs) – organisations run by and for people with disability
- Families Organisations (FOs) – organisations run by and for carers and families of people with disability
- Priority Cohort Led Organisations – organisations that seek to improve the welfare of a specified community, demonstrate a clear connection to the community they represent, and demonstrate a commitment to the social model of disability. In this grant round, the priority community groups are:
    - Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities;
    - Culturally and Linguistically Diverse communities;
    - Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Intersex, Queer/Questioning, Asexual and Plus (LGBTIQA+) communities;
    - People experiencing homelessness or who are at risk of homelessness; and
    - Children and young people (0-24 years).

DPOs and FOs will also have the opportunity to apply for funding for activities that will boost their organisational capacity, for example, leadership training for staff, board members and/or volunteers with disability.
Applications for this round will close on 22 April 2020, 2.00PM AEST.

This is the second grant opportunity to open under the ICB Program. The first ICB grant round 2019-2020 opened last year, with successful recipients announced in December 2019. The list of projects being funded under the first ICB grant round can be found on our Funded projects page. Generic Feedback on applications from this first round is also available . This feedback may provide some guidance on how to prepare stronger responses to the assessment criteria.

Funding for this ICB grant round will be prioritised to regions, cohorts and organisations that were not funded in the first round. Funding will be further prioritised to those organisations that were successful in the 12-month interim Disabled People and Families Organisations (DPFO) funding round but not successful in the ICB grant round 2019-2020.

For more information about this grant opportunity and how to apply, please visit the Community Grants Hub .

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