

Australian Government

Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communications and the Arts

Investing in Our Communities Program fact sheet

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About the program

Investing in Our Communities (IiOC) grants will deliver the Australian Government's 2022 Federal Election commitments and identified commitments of the previous government of up to \$5 million.

IIOC grants will deliver community and sporting infrastructure, open space improvements and other community priorities intended to assist communities to build their strengths and improve liveability.

Some quick facts

Eligibility	You can only apply for an IiOC grant if you have received an invitation by email from the Australian Government. You must satisfy all eligibility criteria per the guidelines to receive funding.
Closing Date	Applications must be submitted to us within 6 months of receiving your invitation to apply for the grant, including all supporting evidence.
Grant application	You will be required to complete and submit a grant application to address the eligibility and assessment criteria for the election commitment to be confirmed.
Assessment	We assess all grant applications against the eligibility and assessment criteria and make recommendations to the Program Delegate.
Notification	We will notify both successful and unsuccessful applicants of the outcome of their application.
Grant agreement	If your application is successful, we will enter into a grant agreement with you.
Delivery of Grant	You will undertake the activities outlined in the grant agreement to deliver the project and we will monitor your progress and make payments when project requirements are being met.
Grant Period	You must complete your project by the project end date specified in your grant agreement. All projects should be completed by 31 December 2026. All final payments must be claimed by March 2027 to ensure payment is made before 30 June 2027.

Further information

This fact sheet is intended to complement our Grant Opportunity Guidelines for this program. Please read the guidelines as well as this fact sheet prior to contacting us.

If you have any questions during the application process, contact us via phone on 1800 044 938 or by email at <u>liOC@infrastructure.gov.au</u>.