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RDA Yorke and Mid North produces a regular update on grant opportunities available to business, community groups and local government through the Yorke and Mid North region to help connect stakeholders with opportunities for funding their projects.

This bulletin is updated at least monthly to provide stakeholders with a current view of grant opportunities available. The information contained herein is accurate at the time of publication and provides a comprehensive rather than exhaustive list of grants available at the time.

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ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT GRANTS

Industry Growth Program

Agency: Australian Government

Closing: Ongoing

The program supports innovative small and medium enterprises undertaking commercialisation and/or growth projects within the National Reconstruction Fund priority areas through advisory services and opportunities for matched grant funding. Minor changes or improvements to existing products or services are not considered innovative.

You will be connected to an Industry Growth Program Adviser who will provide tailored advice to support your commercialisation and/or growth project.

Once you have received this advice, you may also be able to apply for:

- grants of \$50,000 to \$250,000 to support early-stage commercialisation projects
- grants of \$100,000 to \$5 million for commercialisation and growth projects.

Industry Growth Program Grants will open in 2024.

Link for info [here](#)

Seed Start Program

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

Closing: Ongoing

The Seed-Start program provides financial support for early-stage and high-growth potential businesses in South Australia. Eligible start-ups can apply for funding to assist with the cost of commercialising a product or service that is unique and has a sustainable competitive advantage in national and international markets.

Two different funding types are available, depending on each business's stage of development:

- Seed Grants: Minimum \$50,000, maximum \$100,000
- Start Grants: Minimum \$100,001, maximum \$500,000

The Seed-Start program operates through the Government of South Australia's Research and Innovation Fund.

Link for info [here](#)

On Farm Connectivity Program

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

Closing: 31 May 2024

The Australian Government's On Farm Connectivity Program is providing \$30 million over 2 years to enable primary producers in agriculture, forestry and/or fisheries to take advantage of connected machinery and sensor technology.

The objectives of the program are to:

- extend digital connectivity and enable Primary Producers to take advantage of advanced farming technology
- enhance a Primary Producer's ability to implement digital agribusiness solutions through improved connectivity
- capitalise on the agricultural sector's productivity and growth
- support access to new communications equipment and services by offsetting some of the cost.

Round 1 - Applications are now open for Round 1 of the OFCP, with up to \$15 million in rebates available for the purchase of eligible equipment. Eligible equipment suppliers can claim a rebate of between \$3,000 and \$30,000 for the sale of eligible equipment, with primary producers accessing discounted prices. The rebate can be claimed for up to 50 per cent of the cost of the eligible equipment.

Link for info [here](#)

Regional Precincts and Partnerships Program

Agency: Department of Industry Science and Resources

Closing: Ongoing

Selection Process Non-competitive (applicants will be assessed on their individual merit against the assessment criteria, and will not be compared to other applications)

The program will focus on a partnership approach to deliver investment in regional Australia. It will bring together governments and communities to plan and deliver regional precincts that are tailored to local needs and have a shared vision in how that precinct connects to the region. Partners can be from government, First Nations groups, community organisations, educational institutions, or private enterprise.

Regional precincts or 'places with a purpose' are user-defined geographic areas with a specific shared need or theme. Regional precincts may include business districts, neighbourhoods, activity centres, commercial hubs or community and recreational areas. They will be located in renewal areas and growth areas in regional centres, regional corridors, regional cities, as well as smaller town centres that serve as service hubs in more remote communities.

STREAM 1 funding amounts

Precinct Development and Planning

- The minimum grant amount is \$500,000.
- The maximum grant amount is \$5 million.

The grant amount will be up to 100 per cent of the eligible expenditure for the project to a maximum amount of \$5 million.

STREAM 2 funding amounts:

Shovel ready project

- The minimum grant amount is \$5 million.
- The maximum grant amount is \$50 million.

The grant amount will be up to 100 per cent of the eligible expenditure for the project to a maximum amount of \$50 million.

Link for info [here](#)

COMMUNITY GRANTS

Country Arts SA –Project Grant

Agency: Country Arts SA

Closing: 19 March 2024

Project grants fund high-quality projects benefitting regional or remote artists, arts workers, audiences, and communities. Focus of the project can include any area of creative practice, multiple artforms or cross-disciplinary practice.

To be eligible you must be an individual/sole trader, Australian incorporated organisation, or local government organisation.

You can apply for Project Grants of up to \$30,000. There is no minimum grant amount.

Link for info [here](#)

Ageing Well Community Grants 2023-2024

Agency: Office for Ageing Well

Closing: 2 February 2024

Office for Ageing Well is offering a share of \$750,000 in grants project and activities that support the South Australian community to age well.

The grants are divided into four categories:

Grants for Seniors - Funding of up to \$10,000 is available to organisations to provide opportunities for older South Australians to engage with the community.

Impact Research Grants for Ageing Well - For researchers to undertake independent research that generates new evidence and builds knowledge to address the social and structural determinants of ageing well. Grants are available in two streams: two Seed Grants of up to \$25,000 and one Major Project Grant to the value of \$100,000.

Positive Ageing Fellowship Grants - Provide one-off ageing specific capability building grants of up to \$40,000 for projects that support older South Australians to age well, and that contribute to delivering South Australia's Plan for Ageing Well 2020-25.

Age Friendly SA Grants - Local governments and equivalent organisations can apply for one-off grants of up to \$40,000, or form partnerships of three or more eligible organisations and apply for up to \$60,000, for projects that align with the Age Friendly SA Strategy key priorities.

Link for info [here](#)

Strengthening Rural Communities - Small & Vital (Round 20)

Agency: Foundation for Rural Regional Renewal (FRRR)

Closing: 26 February 2024

The Strengthening Rural Communities (SRC) Small & Vital stream gives small remote, rural and regional communities across Australia the opportunity to access funds for a broad range of initiatives that directly and clearly benefit local communities.

Grants up to \$10,000 are available for a broad range of grassroots, community-led initiatives that directly and clearly benefit local communities that strengthen local people, places and climate solutions, with a preference for smaller communities (populations under 15,000).

Link for info [here](#)

COUNCIL SPECIFIC GRANTS

Yorke Peninsula Council

Business Enhancement Program

Closing: Ongoing

If you are a business looking to set up in the Yorke Peninsula Council district OR if you are an existing local business looking to create new employment opportunities or expansion into new markets

Yorke Peninsula Council is committed to supporting economic growth and job creation and wants to positively impact the local business environment and economy.

The BEP consists of two streams: non-financial assistance and Business Grant.

If funding is being sought, you will be required to 'match' the funding as follows:

- For grants up to \$2,500 (GST exclusive) – For each \$1 granted, applicants are expected to contribute a matching \$1 towards the project. E.g., the applicant contributes \$2,000 and seeks \$2,000 from the business grant for the project's total costs of \$4,000 (GST exclusive).
- For grants over \$2,500 (capped at \$10,000) (GST exclusive) – For each \$1 granted, applicants are expected to contribute a minimum of \$1 towards the project; however, a greater co-contribution may be required (e.g., \$2 contribution from applicants for \$1 granted).

Link for info [here](#)

Port Pirie Regional Council Community Assistance Fund

Closing: February 2024

The grant is aimed at providing non-for-profit organisations, community and sporting groups based in the Port Pirie Regional Council area with the opportunity to obtain funds for projects or events which cannot easily be obtained from other sources.

Grant funding of up to a maximum of \$4,000 is available for financial and/or in-kind assistance per application, per organisation, per year. Funding is offered 4 times a year. Applicants may submit one application per funding round.

Link for info [here](#)

Copper Coast Council Community Grant

Closing: 15 December 2023

Non-profit and community groups with beneficial community ideas for an innovative project or activity may be eligible for a grant.

The Community Grants Program enables individuals and community groups to apply for funding up to \$5,000 to progress and improve their local area through planned assistance and equitable distribution of Council funding. In exceptional circumstances, applications will be considered up to a maximum \$10,000.

Link for info [here](#)

VETERAN GRANTS

Saluting Their Service Commemorative Grants Program

Agency Department of Veterans Affairs

Closing: 6 February 2024

The Saluting Their Service Commemorative Grants Program aims to commemorate the service and sacrifice of Australia's defence personnel in wars, conflicts and peace operations, and their families.

The objective of the program is to commemorate the service and sacrifice of Australia's service personnel in wars, conflicts and peace operations, and their families.

The intended outcome of the grant opportunity is to provide funding for projects and activities that:

- promote appreciation and understanding of the experiences of service and the roles that those who served have played.
- preserve, add to the sum of knowledge on, or provide access to information about Australia's wartime heritage.

Projects and activities relating to all wars, conflicts and peacekeeping operations are eligible.

Community Grants to a maximum of \$10,000 are available for local, community-based projects and activities.

Major grants between \$10,000 and \$150,000 are available for major commemorative projects and activities that are significant from a national, state, territory and/or regional perspective.

Link for info [here](#)

Veterans SA Capacity Building and Commemorative Services

Agency: Veterans SA

Closing: 31 May 2024 - unless funds are exhausted prior to this date.

Veteran and ex-service organisations can now apply for a Capacity Building Grant of up to \$5000 for projects that help strengthen their governance to lead, develop, support and advocate for their communities.

Furthermore, funding is also available through the Commemorative Services Fund, to support organisations with the costs of delivering commemorative events that honour the service and sacrifice of South Australia veterans and their families.

Link for info [here](#)

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<https://www.yorkeandmidnorth.com.au/grants/>

Disclaimer: This list is not exhaustive. It contains a number of currently open programs that our regional businesses, organisations and stakeholder groups tend to apply for. If you are seeking funding, please get in touch if we can be of any assistance and remember to always refer to the funding program guidelines.