

# **Quick Response Flood Relief Arts Grants Guidelines**

## **DLGSC in partnership with Goolarri Media Enterprises**

### **About the Quick Response Grants**

The Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries in partnership with Goolarri Media Enterprises, have identified a need for a small quick response grant to assist Artists and Arts Workers affected by the flooding in the region in January 2023.

Artists effected by flooding in the region in early 2023 can apply for a grant up to the value of \$1500 plus GST (where applicable) to assist in getting their artistic endeavours and/or business' back on track. Funding will be offered to individuals and groups and payment may go directly to the supplier and not to the artist. NB This opportunity remains available until all funds from the DLGSC grant have been spent.

The key issues that may have affected artists include:

1. Access due to road conditions inhibiting some programs, travel to and from gigs, lost wages, wasted money on programmes that have been delayed or cancelled
2. Lack of or no insurance with some insurance not covering flood damage
3. Loss of arts supplies
4. Damage to existing arts venues so space required to continue arts practice
5. Repairing property damage specifically to workspaces
6. Access to social and emotional support for artists

Flood relief grants are available for people in the following regions:

1. Fitzroy Valley
2. Derby
3. Communities in the Shire of Derby/West Kimberley
4. Kimberley wide only when working directly with artists/arts workers in the above three regions.

### **What we will fund**

Grants will be issued around existing practice only, where direct loss has been incurred due to floods and a loss of income can be shown. Arts group and individual artists can be funded where they were practising prior to the flood and this disaster has directly impacted their business. New artists not yet established at the time of the floods are not eligible for funding.

All artforms will be eligible and we anticipate support in the following ways:

1. Replacing/repairing lost or damaged equipment, materials or lost supplies
2. Repair and preparation of workspace for safe use.
3. Social and emotional support working in with local service providers

An example of what funds can be used for include the repair or replacement of supplies where evidence can be shown that supplies were damaged or destroyed in the floods. Further examples include:

1. Art supplies such as brushes, paints, easels, canvas etc.
2. Rental costs for alternative working spaces where original working space can no longer be used due to flood damage.
3. Repair or replacement of instruments and equipment.
4. Replacement of project materials including stationery and postage supplies.
5. Repair or replacement of costumes.

Grant applicants can expect a four (4) week turnaround between receipt of the application by Goolarri Media, approval and release of funds. Please ensure you complete all questions in the application form clearly and honestly. If any further information is requested, this will delay the grant distribution process.

The Directors of Goolarri Media Enterprises will be responsible for grant approvals. Please note that the available funding pool for the Quick Response Arts Grants is \$50,000 and therefore not all recipients will be successful.

Applications close on 31<sup>st</sup> July 2023.

If you wish to discuss your application further, please contact Gwen Knox, Regional Arts Hub Coordinator at [arts@gme.com.au](mailto:arts@gme.com.au)

### **Preparing your application**

Prove your identity or business details - Have licences, birth certificates, business registration or other identity documents that show all your details. If these were lost these in the floods, please contact Gwen Knox at [arts@gme.com.au](mailto:arts@gme.com.au)

Show residency, tenancy or ownership - Proving your home address or business premises at the time of the flood is important. Documents that relate to leases, mortgages and bills, that show your address, can help demonstrate this.

Demonstrate the damage - Provide photos, written evidence or statements that demonstrate the loss or damage. Describe how the flood has impacted your home or business. Do not put yourself in any danger by attempting to take photographs of buildings where access to the public is restricted.

Provide your bank account details – Make sure you have these ready to put into the application. Note that funds can only be deposited into the applicants bank account. Payee's name must align with the account details provided.

After you have completed and submitted the application form, you may be asked to provide additional evidence of the direct or indirect impact to your arts business. We will be in contact with you if we require any further information.

If your application is successful, you will be required to acquit the grant in accordance with the approved grant purpose.

For an application form click [here](#) . Please return completed application form and attachments to [arts@gme.com.au](mailto:arts@gme.com.au)