

## Crisis and Emergency Relief

Lotterywest is reprioritising its current grant program to support the community during this unprecedented crisis due to the spread of COVID-19. A key component of this will be support for community organisations helping those experiencing financial hardship.

### Who can apply

Western Australian eligible **not-for-profit community organisations** and **local government authorities** can apply to this fund in order to support people:

- Currently experiencing hardship that are at risk of becoming entrenched in disadvantage due to the crisis;
- Newly experiencing hardship as a result of COVID-19; and
- Most at risk of serious infection (immune compromised; older people, diagnosed chronic medical conditions; Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples).

### What can be supported?

The fund will help meet costs related to:

- Increase in demand for emergency or crisis relief services such as food, clothing, shelter, transport and other critical needs emerging as a result of the crisis;
- Working differently in the current climate, (e.g. leasing a vehicle to meet increased demand); and
- Supporting collaboration to address the increased crisis demand (e.g. working with other partners including government and the private sector).

### When and how can we apply?

Applications for this program will be accepted immediately and processed more quickly than Lotterywest's usual timeframes. Potential applicants who meet the criteria above should contact Lotterywest to request an application form.

You will need to outline how your organisation plans to address the criteria above, why your organisation is well placed to deliver these activities or services and what other avenues you have explored to fund your programs. You will also need to explain how this grant would help support people experiencing hardship as a result of COVID-19.

### Those with an existing grant

If you wish to extend or change an existing grant with Lotterywest to deliver emergency relief services or request additional funding, please contact Lotterywest to discuss a streamlined process for submitting your request.