Closing the Gap Strengthening Business Capability Grants OPEN NOW!



The Closing the Gap Strengthening Business Capability Grants aims to increase the number of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander businesses operating in NSW winning NSW Government contracts, selling goods and services to the NSW Government and/or growing their businesses.

A total of \$4.23 million is available via two streams:

STREAM 1 - Strengthening Capabilities

Grants of up to \$50,000 providing practical support to businesses to address barriers to winning NSW Government contracts and sell goods and services to the NSW Government, including:

- Business foundations
- Strengthening connections to Aboriginal Community Controlled Organisations
- Grow stronger relationships and networks

STREAM 2 - Scale up and accelerate

Grants of up to \$200,000 will provide funding for established Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander businesses operating in NSW that require an investment to scale-up or diversify to improve competitiveness to win contracts and supply goods and/or services to NSW Government.

GUIDELINES

Applicants should read the full **Closing the Gap Strengthening Business Capability Grants guidelines** on the <u>Aboriginal Affairs NSW website</u> before completing an application.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

All applicants must be a NSW Aboriginal and or Torres Strait Islander business. Further eligibility criteria is outlined in the **Closing the Gap Strengthening Business Capability Grants guidelines** on the Aboriginal Affairs NSW website.

IMPORTANT DATES

Program opens on 22 February 2022 and closes at 5pm on 25 March 2022.

Applications will be accepted at any time during the opening period and applicants will be notified of the outcome late May early June 2022.

APPLY NOW

To apply for funding, you will need to complete and submit the application form through **SmartyGrants**.

SUPPORT AND CONTACTS

Contact Officers are available to answer questions regarding the Aboriginal Affairs NSW Closing the Gap Strengthening Business Capability Grants.

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For more information see Program Guidelines and Frequently Asked Questions.

