

Energy Resilience Grants round 4

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Energy Resilience Grants Information

ALL ENERGY RESILIENCE APPLICATIONS MUST INCLUDE QUOTES

Energy Resilience Grants are for fixed and mobile infrastructure and assets that help build and strengthen a community's ability to respond to and recover from power outages caused by severe weather events and ongoing reliability issues.

Many LGAs (local government areas) have existing resilience hubs and emergency relief centres. If your project is to create a community resilience hub or emergency relief centre, **please provide evidence that this facility is required and not replicating what already exists**. This could include letters of support from the relevant council officer and community stakeholders, documentation from community engagement etc.

Applications can come from a single organisation or those working in partnership with other organisations.

[Please click](#) here to read about projects we have funded in previous rounds.

Grant amount

- **\$5-\$50k per grant inclusive of GST**
- One grant awarded per organisation per grant round

What we will fund

- Community organisations and small businesses for solar and storage solutions and back up generation
- Small fixed or mobile generation to provide backups for critical businesses
- Mobile powered facilities such as portable showers or kitchens
- Upgrading of infrastructure to accept generators
- Upskilling or training local electrical business to install and maintain community or small business generators

Who can apply

- Councils in AusNet's electricity distribution network
- Community and charitable organisations
- Regional community and small business peak bodies and chambers
- Social enterprises
- Small businesses and sole traders providing an essential service and/or acting as a resilience centre or hub for their local community during a severe weather event or prolonged power outage. *Sole traders must have a valid ABN and an annual turnover of \$10m or less.
- Applications can come from a single organisation or those working in partnership with other organisation

Please note: we **WILL NOT** assess applications that do not have quotes attached.

Applications close 5pm Friday 12 June 2026

Need help?

Enquiries to ERCF@ausnetservices.com.au

[Click here](#) to download the guidelines and assessment process

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Eligibility

* indicates a required field

Things to note before your start your application

You must be authorised to complete this application on behalf of your organisation, or the organisation that funding is being applied for.

If your project has technical requirements that require connection to the AusNet electricity distribution network, or you would like to discuss or confirm any technical elements of your project with an AusNet specialist, please ensure you do this before you submit.

Please note: you must include quotes for your application to be assessed.

Is your application for a project in AusNet's electricity distribution network? *

Yes No

Does your organisation have a valid ABN? *

Yes No

Please note: your organisation must also have an Australian bank account linked to its ABN.

Your organisation is ineligible for this grant please refer to guidelines (insert link)

Your Organisation

* indicates a required field

What is the name of your organisation? *

Organisation Name

Organisation ABN *

The ABN provided will be used to look up the following information. Click Lookup above to check that you have entered the ABN correctly.

| Information from the Australian Business Register |
|---|
| ABN |
| Entity name |
| ABN status |

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|---|
| Entity type |
| Goods & Services Tax (GST) |
| DGR Endorsed |
| ATO Charity Type More information |
| ACNC Registration |
| Tax Concessions |
| Main business location |

Must be an ABN.

Organisation Primary Address *

Address

Address Line 1, Suburb/Town, State/Province, Postcode, and Country are required.

What type of organisation are you? *

- Local government
- Sole trader
- Small business
- Community organisation
- Charitable organisation
- Community foundation (including community energy foundation)
- Peak or industry body

If "other" is selected please state type of organisation

How many people does your organisation employ? *

Must be a number.

Does your organisation engage volunteers? *

- Yes No

How many volunteers are engaged? *

Must be a number.

In what capacity are volunteers engaged in your organisation? *

What is your name? *

First Name

Last Name

What position do you hold within the organisation? *

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What is your Primary Phone Number? *

Must be an Australian phone number.

What is your Primary Email? *

Must be an email address.

Is there anyone else in your organisation working on this application? *

Yes

No

Please list names and contact information for all staff working on this application.

| Name | Email | Phone Number |
|------|---------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| | Must be an email address. | Must be an Australian phone number. |
| | | |

Are you applying for this grant on behalf of another organisation? *

Yes

No

Organisation Name *

Organisation Name

Organisation Contact *

Title First Name Last Name

| | | |
|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| <input type="text"/> | <input type="text"/> | <input type="text"/> |
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Please upload a letter of confirmation that you are authorised to apply for funding on their behalf. *

Attach a file:

Your Project

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What is the name of your project? *

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Who are the primary beneficiaries of this project/program? *

No more than 5 choices may be selected.

Please choose only the group/s that are at the very core of this project/program

Project Description

So we can properly assess your project, please provide as much information as possible about your project including:

- What is it and why it is needed?
- How it will help build or strengthen energy resilience in your community, and/or help your community recover better from power outages and/extreme weather events?
- How it will fill an unmet need in your community?
- Who will it benefit?
- How it will be used?
- What is unique about it? Is it able to be replicated or scaled?

Please describe your project. *

Please attach your quotes, a more detailed project plan (if needed) and letters of support or other supporting documentation here. Please name all files clearly.

Attach a file:

Does your project have any technical considerations or requirements that you require AusNet support with and/or requires connection to the AusNet electricity distribution network? *

Yes

No

Please attach a document that describes:

- all known technical specifications and requirements
- any AusNet electricity distribution network considerations that will need to be factored in (if known)
- and if you have previously spoken to AusNet about your project.

Technical requirements and electricity distribution network considerations.

Attach a file:

Project delivery and implementation

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Please tell us about the team who will be helping develop and deliver your project. This is your core team, not any external delivery partners. *

Please list any funding or delivery partners.

Please "add more" if you need more rows.

Who are they?

What is their role?

What support will they provide

| Who are they? | What is their role? | What support will they provide |
|---------------|---------------------|--------------------------------|
| | | i.e hours, funding, resources |
| | | |

What are their skills and expertise and how they will contribute to its successful delivery? (You can also include this in your project plan) *

Where will the project be located or accessed? Please include physical location/s and/or any digital channels (i.e website).

Project location
Address

Digital channels (ie: Website)

Do you own the premises where the project will be located?

Yes No N/A

Who is the owner? *

Do you have their permission to install or host any assets on their premises? (i.e local or state government) *

Yes No

Please provide confirmation that the owner of the premises has agreed to the project. *

Attach a file:

Are you undertaking the project in partnership with the owner of the premises? *

Yes No

What funding and/or resources will they provide? *

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Will the project engage volunteers? *

- Yes No

How many volunteers? *

Must be a number.

In what capacity will volunteers be engaged? *

Delivery schedule - please briefly outline your delivery and implementation schedule.

Please "add more" if you need more rows.

| Action | Key Milestone | Role & Responsibility | Start Date | Completion Date |
|--------|---------------|-----------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| | | | Must be a date. | Must be a date. |

Project impact and reach

* indicates a required field

What is the anticipated reach of your project? i.e. number and types of groups or individuals reached and geographic location/s? *

Please list your stakeholders or targets audiences (we don't need individual names or personal information) and where they are located.

Please "add more" if you need more rows.

| Stakeholders or Target Audience | Where are they located |
|---------------------------------|------------------------|
| | |

What are you expecting the project to achieve? Please articulate the expected outputs and outcomes of the project.

How will you measure success?

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Funding request

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What is the amount of funding you are applying for including GST? Please note that all grants are inclusive of GST *

All grants are inclusive of GST. Grant Amounts must be between \$5,000 - \$50,000 per grant

Total Project Cost *

Must be a dollar amount.

What is the total budgeted cost (dollars) of your project?

Are you applying for 100% of the total project cost? *

Yes

No

What are your other funding sources?

Other funding source name

Funding amount

Has this funding been secured

| Other funding source name | Funding amount | Has this funding been secured |
|---------------------------|----------------|---|
| | | <input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Unsure |

Must be a dollar amount.

Are you the sole applicant? *

Yes

No

Please list other applicants/partners and their details.

Please note we will only accept one application per project

Other applicant/ partner name *

Email

Must be an email address.

Project expenses requested for this grant

Please provide a breakdown of your budget, itemising all project expenses including reasonable allowances for administration.

Please "add more" if you need more rows.

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| Project expenses item | Expense \$ |
|--|--------------------------|
| including reasonable allowances for administration | Must be a dollar amount. |
| | |

In Kind contributions

Please indicate in-kind contributions apply.

Please "add more" if you need more rows.

| In kind item | In kind \$ (if applicable) |
|--------------|----------------------------|
| | Must be a dollar amount. |
| | |

Total Expenditure Amount

This number/amount is calculated.
This total is the sum of "Project expenses requested for this grant" above. Amounts must be between \$5,000 - \$50,000 per grant

In kind total

This number/amount is calculated.
This is the sum of the In kind expenses above

If we could only part fund your application, would you still be able to deliver the project, or secure funding from another source? *

- Yes No

Will this project include in-kind support? This could be from your own or another organisation. *

- Yes No

Please specify the in kind support included in this project. *

Communicating your project

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How would you like to supply your communications and engagement plan? This is how you will communicate and promote your project to stakeholders and your community.

- A written response in this online form
 An uploaded plan document

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Please give a brief outline of your communications and engagement plan. *

You can also provide this as an attachment *

Attach a file:

Acknowledgements - how do you intend to acknowledge AusNet's support? *

Please note, use of AusNet's logo must be approved by the ERCF Manager or a member of AusNet's communications team.

If your application is successful, would you be happy to participate in AusNet's promotion of the ERCF through communications and media activities? *

Yes

No

Terms and Conditions

* indicates a required field

The terms and conditions of your grant agreement will detail your acquittal and reporting obligations including any key reporting dates but broadly we want to know:

- 1. The project was delivered in line with what was outlined in your application**
- 2. What the final achievements or results were**
- 3. Did you have to change your approach or plans from your initial application**
- 4. What impact is the project already having and what you expect the long-term impacts will be**
- 5. Confirming the grant money was spent in accordance with terms and conditions set out in the grant agreement**
- 6. Any good news stories as a result of your project with pictures and videos if possible.**

We would also love to know how your project is going and may ask for progress reports from time to time, depending on the duration of your project.

I state that the information in this application and attachments is to the best of my knowledge true and correct. I will notify AusNet of any changes to this information and any circumstances that may affect this application. I acknowledge that AusNet may refer this application to technical experts for assessment, reporting, advice, comment or for discussions regarding alternative or collaborative grant funding opportunities.

I understand that AusNet is subject to the Freedom of Information Act 1982 and that if a Freedom of Information request is made, the *Grantmaker* will consult with the applicant

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before any decision is made to release the application or supporting documentation. I understand that this is an application only and may not necessarily result in funding approval.

I have read and agree to the above: *

Yes, I have read and agree

No, I do not agree

Name *

First Name

Last Name

Phone Number *

Must be an Australian phone number.

Email *

Must be an email address.