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Community Benefit SA – Next round of grants for NDIS readiness

Community Benefit SA and Disability SA have established a partnership to assist organisations with adapting to the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS). If your organisation needs to **get NDIS ready** then look at this [grant](#).

About Community Benefit SA (CBSA)

Community Benefit SA provides grants to community service organisations that support vulnerable South Australian individuals, families and communities. Grants provide the opportunity for organisations to deliver practical one-off projects that either provide the social welfare or support for people in need, or improve the ongoing administrative efficiency and revenue raising capacity of their non-government community service organisation.

Those who benefit from this funding include people on low income, carers, and families with children, aboriginal communities, and people with a disability, rural or multicultural communities and individuals with mental health issues.

CBSA Grants

The outcomes of projects should aim to assist disadvantaged people to increase community participation, increase life management skills, improve wellbeing and improve quality of life. Types of projects normally include:

- small grants for program equipment purchases (up to \$10,000)
- grants for upgrading community facilities (up to \$50,000)
- strategic improvements to enhance operations for organisations providing community services to vulnerable people (up to \$50,000)

Grants can also be provided to establish sustainable services, provide short term group programs or undertake community development activities (up to \$50,000).

Grants to prepare for NDIS

NDIS-readiness proposals should aim to either reposition or expand your organisation or business systems to adapt to the changing environment. This might include **workforce development**,

strategic planning, a new **marketing** approach, or **quality systems improvement** (up to \$10,000).

The closing date for either the CBSA grants or the NDIS-readiness projects (or a combination of both) is **5.00pm on 30 April 2014**. After this date, organisations can apply for normal CBSA grants but the funds to become NDIS ready will not be considered for funding.

Eligibility

Eligible organisations are non-government, incorporated community organisations that are not-for-profit. Applicants must have an ABN and be able to describe the social welfare and assistance that they provide for people in need.

How to Apply

Applications can be made online at www.dcsi.sa.gov.au/cbsa. Please don't leave your application to the last minute.

If you would like to discuss a proposal, please call CBSA on 1300 650 985.