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New grant partnership between Disability SA and Community Benefit SA

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](#).

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. 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, upgrading community facilities and strategic improvements to improve operations for organisations providing community services to vulnerable people. Grants can also be provided to establish sustainable services, provide short term group programs or undertake community development activities.

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**.

Closing dates for NDIS-readiness projects are **31 January** and **30 April 2014**. After this date, organisations can apply for normal grants but the funds to become NDIS ready will not be considered for funding.

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.



Apply online at www.dcsi.sa.gov.au/cbsa

Call to discuss the proposal on 1300 650 985.

Don't leave your application to the last minute.