



Shell's QGC Supporting Stronger First Nations Events Program Guidelines

Introduction

Shell's QGC business is proud to support Traditional Owners and Indigenous people who are part of building strong, thriving societies in the areas where we operate.

Shell's QGC Supporting Stronger First Nations Events Program provides financial grants of **up to \$10,000** to organisations to support the running of community events for and on behalf of Traditional Owners and Indigenous people in Shell's QGC project delivery area¹.

Who can apply?

To apply, your organisation must be:

- A Traditional Owner Group with whom Shell's QGC business has a formal agreement. The organisational structure of the group must be a legal entity, but the entity may be legally based outside of Shell's QGC project delivery area.

OR

- A community organisation – i.e. an incorporated, not-for-profit organisation, providing services to, or in partnership with Traditional Owners and / or Indigenous people in Shell's QGC project delivery area. You may also be a government body or organisation which hosts or delivers a service to the community, such as an aged care facility or a school etc. Your organisation must have been incorporated and had a local operational presence for at least one year.
- An unincorporated organisation, with a sponsor organisation that is directly associated with the project or event (for example, a local unincorporated Indigenous group, sponsored by a Traditional Owner group or Indigenous corporation). Your organisation must have had a local operational presence for at least one year.

Note that only one application per organisation per year will be accepted (this excludes sponsor applicants who may submit applications for more than one unincorporated entity and/or on behalf of themselves).

Project Eligibility

- The nominated event must be delivered by or on behalf of Traditional Owners with whom Shell has a formal agreement, or must directly benefit and / or engage Traditional Owners and / or Indigenous people located in Shell's QGC project delivery area.

¹ Shell's QGC project delivery area includes the Western Downs and Gladstone Local Government areas, and the township of Taroom.



- Events considered could include (but will not be limited to):
 - NAIDOC Week 2024 celebrations and activities
 - Reconciliation Week 2024 celebrations and activities
 - Cultural events and activities that focus on preserving or promoting Indigenous culture and traditional practices through art, dancing, music and / or storytelling
 - Training, learning, or education events focused on supporting Traditional Owners and Indigenous people.
- The event must be a short-term, one-off event occurring within the timeframes stipulated in your application.
- It is strongly encouraged that goods and services are sourced locally and / or from regional Queensland for the delivery of your event (for example, utilising a local hire company to provide event equipment).
- Joint applications from more than one community group will be accepted, particularly where the relationship seeks to foster strong collaboration with Traditional Owners and / or Indigenous people. *Note: Joint applications will also be accepted where the second applicant is a for profit organisation with an ABN and operational presence in Shell's QGC project delivery area.*

Preference will be given to events that:

1. Are administered by Traditional Owners with whom Shell's QGC business has a formal agreement.
2. Are administered by community or non-Indigenous organisations with evidence of support² from a local Traditional Owner group or Indigenous community representative.
3. Demonstrate direct benefits or engagement with Traditional Owner groups and / or Indigenous people; or share and promote Indigenous culture (e.g. NAIDOC Week events) with the broader community.

Your organisation can request funds for the following items:

- Materials for use at the event (i.e. equipment, prizes, catering)
- Logistics management
- Advertising costs
- Promotion costs
- Engaging entertainment including speakers, performers etc.

² A letter of support template can be provided upon request. Please email Shell's QGC business at QGC-IPCH@shell.com



- Holding workshops at the events
- Brand awareness at the event
- Programs run within schools.

Applications will be considered ineligible if they are:

- Requests from individuals.
- For events which do not benefit and / or engage Traditional Owner groups with whom Shell has an agreement with, and / or Indigenous people in Shell's QGC project delivery area.
- Political contributions, business memberships and requests from religious organisations for religious purposes.
- Ongoing costs or retrospective costs.

Conditions of Funding

The conditions of funding are:

- Only applications using the standard application form will be accepted. Applications must be received by the closing date.
- Successful applicants will be required to enter into a contract with Shell's QGC business and the funding must be spent in accordance with the original application and the contract.
- Shell's QGC business reserves the right to request audited financial statements from the applicant (for any project or activity) at any time.
- Shell's QGC business reserves the right to request written evidence from the property owner confirming their approval for the project (if the work involves a property that the organisation does not own) or evidence of sponsor organisation approval.

As Royal Dutch Shell is a UK company and its securities are traded in the US and UK, the Company must comply with the *US Foreign Corrupt Practices Act 1977* and the *UK Bribery Act 2010*, which have international effect, as well as applicable anti-bribery and corruption (ABC) legislation in the counties where Shell operates.

You will notice in the application form that we collect information around senior members of your organisation. Providing this information, particularly around the involvement of any government officials, will assist us to assess your application in a timely manner. Having a government official involved in your organisation does not preclude you from funding, we just need to take some extra steps to seek approval in line with our Ethics and Compliance processes.



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The definition of a 'Government Official' is:

- An official or employee of any government, or any agency, ministry or department (at any level) – including local government.
- A political party or any official of a political party, including candidates for political office.
- An immediate family member (that is, a spouse, dependent child, parent or household member) of any of the above.

Applications are to be completed online. Please visit <https://shellaustralia.smartygrants.com.au/> and follow the prompts to register and begin your application.



Not logged in.

Current Rounds



Login or Register

You must register before you can make an online submission.

Registration gives you secure access to your forms allowing you to work on them over time rather than having to complete them all at once.

It only takes a moment to register and you can get started on your submission straight after registering.

Fields marked with * must be completed.

Login

If you're already registered or have started an online form log in here.

Email Address: *

Password: *

[Forgotten your password?](#)

By clicking Log In you agree to Our Community's [Privacy Policy](#) and [Terms of Use](#).

Register

If you haven't registered or started filling in a form, register here.

If you require assistance completing your application, please contact a local Community Grants Writer:

Western Downs

Funded by Shell's QGC business and supported by Murilla Community Centre, **Kate Bradley** supports organisations in the Western Downs local government area in writing grant applications. Kate can be contacted at mccmgrants@bigpond.com

Gladstone

NFP House can assist organisations in the Gladstone local government area in applying for grant applications. NFP House can be contacted at admin@nfphouse.org.au