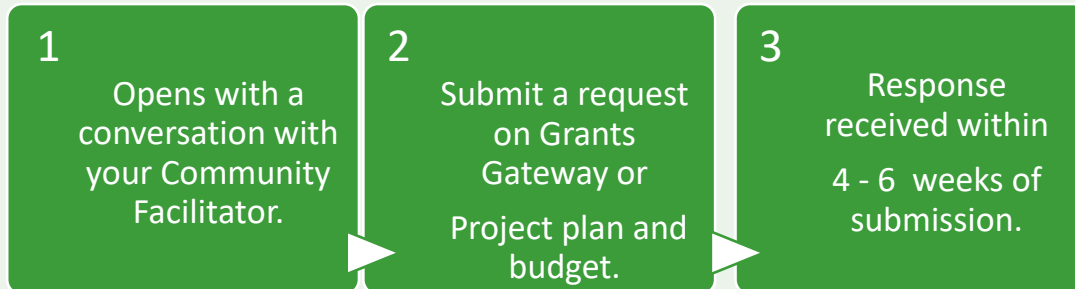


Key steps



Only previously funded IRCF organisations are eligible.

About FRRR

The Foundation for Rural & Regional Renewal (FRRR) is focused on increasing equity of opportunity in remote, rural, and regional Australia. We focus on improving outcomes in the areas of **people, place, and disaster resilience and climate solutions**, in the belief that targeted philanthropic investment and collaboration will build more vibrant, sustainable, and adaptive remote, rural, and regional communities - and a more equitable and prosperous Australia as a whole.

FRRR believes:

- in the power of people to drive prosperity.
- that local solutions are central to achieving equality of access to opportunities across remote, rural, and regional Australia; and
- that remote, rural, and regional communities have the knowledge to best respond to the impacts of climate change and natural disasters.

IRCF Program Information

The Investing in Rural Community Futures (IRCF) Program takes a partnership approach with NFPs. The IRCF program rolls out at different intervals, the table below outlines each community.

Program Purpose

Community	Program Length	Final expenditure date and reporting
Junee	2019 -2024	12-month grant agreement
Leeton	2019 – 2024	12-month grant agreement
Nambucca	2019 – 2024	12-month grant agreement
Nowra	2019 – 2024	12-month grant agreement
Ulladulla	2019 – 2024	12-month grant agreement
Bay and Basin	2020 – 2024	12-month grant agreement
Batemans Bay	2019 – 2024	12-month grant agreement
Bega Valley -Bushfire	April 2022 – March 2024	February 2024
Shoalhaven -Bushfire	April 2022 – March 2024	February 2024



As part of the IRCF program, FRRR, in consultation with communities, has listened and developed a rapid response granting process to support the communities.

These grants are aimed at previously funded NFP organisations that want to take a lead role in their community to support multiple NFPs to deliver collaborative and collective impact initiatives within the IRCF priority areas.

To check your eligibility and discuss your Toolbox project, please contact your [local community facilitator or program manager listed on the IRCF Website](#).

Types of
Projects
Funded &
Supported

IRCF Toolbox funds projects that are looking to support the following types of charitable projects and outcomes of a collaborative nature:

- Skilled support (including grant writing, strategic/business/succession planning/implementation; financial analysis and planning; resource sharing/collaborative models of delivery; social enterprise) to work across organisations in your community.
 - Training for various NFP committees/boards in your community. For example, governance, financial, digital literacy, marketing, and social media.
 - Equipment materials, databases, and communication channels to support multiple organisations in your community.
 - Updating of policies and procedures in the organisation. Examples may include social media policies, COVID safety plans and evaluations.
 - Paid positions where needed. For example, to develop and embed policies/procedures, financial systems and processes, evaluation frameworks and processes across NFPs.
 - Costs to come together and share, network and build the profile of the NFP sector.
 - Development of local committee members, volunteers, and staff positions across multiple organisations in your community, including youth engagement in governance.
 - Refreshment of brand, website, and marketing aspects of multiple NFPs in your community
 - Feasibility and scoping engagement with underrepresented sectors of the community.
 - Increasing digital literacy of community members, such as older volunteers.
 - Mental health first aid within organisations.
 - Systems for future collaboration for community needs.
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Funds Available & Priorities

Generous support from our donors/funders has allowed the following funds to be made available:

Donor	Original Toolbox allocation across the life of the program	Upper limit per application	How to request funds
Vincent Fairfax Family Foundation (VFFF)	\$50,000 per community* (Junee, Leeton & Nambucca)	Dependent on funds remaining.	Grants Gateway
Bendigo Bank Enterprise Foundation	\$30,000 (Bay and Basin)	\$20,000	Grants Gateway
Snow Foundation	\$50,000 per community (Nowra, Ulladulla, Batemans Bay)	\$30,000	Grants Gateway
Commonwealth Government	\$175,000 p.a (Shoalhaven Communities)	\$30,000	Project plan & budget
Commonwealth Government	\$150,000 p.a. (Bega Valley Communities)	\$30,000	Project plan & budget

* All remaining Partnership funds for Junee, Leeton and the Nambucca Valley will now be granted following Toolbox guidelines, increasing the original allocation. Please note requests above \$50,000 may require additional assessment time.

[Toolbox Funds remaining can be found on each communities IRCF Digital Hub Roadmap page.](#)

What grant funds can't be used for

There are several areas that we **can't fund** through this program. If in doubt, please contact us.

- Projects that support core business and areas of responsibility of Federal, State and Local Governments.
- Business case development and feasibility studies (black summer grants)
- Applications from sporting organisations need to clearly demonstrate charitable outcomes and benefit to the wider community that are above and beyond the sporting activities of the club. **It is a requirement that sporting clubs contact their local facilitator to ensure eligibility.**
- Overseas travel and overseas projects.
- Prizes, gifts, trophies, or awards.
- Political lobbying.
- Projects that primarily benefit private business, a sole trader, or private interests.



FRRR IRCF
Eligibility

To apply, you must meet the following criteria:

- Applicant organisations must be a **previously IRCF program funded**, locally governed not-for-profit organisation **with an ABN or Incorporation Certificate**.
- **Projects must support multiple local NFPs in your community.**
- Project must be for charitable purposes and offer clear local benefit.
- If you have not provided a current P & L in the last 18 months, please include this with your application.
- For help and information on applying for FRRR grants:

<https://frrr.org.au/funding/grant-seeker-resources/#applying-and-reporting>

How to
Apply

Once you have discussed this project with your community facilitator you will be provided with a link to the grants gateway to complete your application.

*Funding to the Bega Valley and Shoalhaven under the Australian Government Black Summer Funding is not distributed through grants however projects/supports and toolbox concepts are developed following these guidelines.
