

First Action Plan Priorities Fund

National Family, Domestic and Sexual Violence Training for Culturally and Linguistically Diverse Communities and Faith Leaders

Feedback for applicants

The Department of Social Services (the department) has provided the following general feedback for applicants of the National Family, Domestic and Sexual Violence Training for Culturally and Linguistically Diverse Communities and Faith Leaders grant opportunity.

Assessment of applications was in accordance with the procedure detailed in the Grant Opportunity Guidelines and outlined in the selection process below.

Overview

The application submission period opened on 23 January 2024 and closed on 20 February 2024. The grant opportunity received 3 applications.

The purpose of this grant is to fund a large multicultural organisation to engage and train CALD communities and faith leaders to take a role in changing attitudes in their community to prevent FDSV and work alongside specialist FDSV services.

Selection Process

The department undertook the initial screening for organisation eligibility and compliance against the requirements outlined in the Grant Opportunity Guidelines. This information was provided to the department's grant opportunity delegate for final decisions on whether an application met the eligibility and compliance criteria.

The department assessed and considered all or eligible and compliant applications through a targeted competitive grant process. The selection advisory panel (panel) established by the department, comprised of subject matter experts who assessed applications and provided advice to inform the funding recommendations to the Financial Delegate.

When assessing applications the panel took into consideration a number of factors incorporating the inclusion/exclusion of late applications, the volume of applications received, meeting the identified requirements outlined in the Grant Opportunity Guidelines and the available funding envelope.

The panel's consideration of assessed applications was, based on:

- compliance with the Grant Opportunity Guidelines
- suitability against the eligibility criteria in the Grant Opportunity Guidelines
- how well the applications responses met the assessment criterion
- the extent applications compared against other applications
- alignment to the developmental plan outline and other requested attachments
- whether it provided value with relevant money



- how the proposed activities aligned with the objectives of the grant opportunity
- identified risks and the proposed mitigation strategies for the department and the Commonwealth.

Selection Results

There was a strong interest in the grant opportunity and applications were of a high standard. The preferred applicant demonstrated their ability to meet the grant requirements outlined in the Grant Opportunity Guidelines based on the strength of their responses to the assessment criterion.

The department notified applicants of the outcome in writing, where their applications did not meet the requirements outlined in the Grant Opportunity Guidelines.

This feedback is provided to assist grant applicants to understand what comprised a strong application and the content of quality responses to the assessment criterion.

Criterion 1

Detail your organisation's experience, expertise and resources available to deliver the activity.

Strong applications:

- Had working knowledge of the different types of FDSV: family violence, intimate partner violence, sexual violence, exploitation, neglect and emotional abuse (such as extreme social isolation).
- Provided evidence of prior experience in delivering similar grants or programs; or how their organisation's prior experience proves capability to deliver this grant.
- Detailed their ability to develop training that works at the national level while still enabling enough guidance for specific tailoring for different contexts.

Criterion 2

Detail your national reach and how you will ensure that CALD communities and faith leaders are consulted in this grant opportunity.

Strong applications:

- Detailed how governments and organisations will be included in the consultation process to develop the training.
- Detailed how CALD communities and faith leaders will require different approaches.
- Detailed commonality, if any, across CALD communities and faith leaders.

Criterion 3

Detail how you will scope, consult and deliver on the objectives of this grant opportunity.

Strong applications:

- Demonstrated how the training and approach will be culturally appropriate, person centred and inclusive of lived experience.
- Demonstrated how the training and approach will enact behavioural change.
- Clearly articulated how the objectives of their organisation/consortium align with those of the grant and of the National Plan.

Individual feedback

Individual feedback will not be provided for this grant opportunity.