

# Better Futures Application Form

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### About Better Future Grants

Westpac Foundation supports activities that optimise opportunities for primary school aged children to learn. This includes activities that create the conditions for students to attend school and fully engage in learning; ensure all students build strong literacy and numeracy skills; and harness the power of families, communities, and local partnerships to support learning and wellbeing. Better Futures Grants provide \$50,000 per year for two years to support organisations optimising opportunities for primary school aged children to learn.

[Application Guidelines](#) can be downloaded [here](#).

#### Documents that you will need to provide

- Most recent (within 18 months) financial statement (signed by an auditor if annual revenue is more than 3M) (Question 2)
- Organisation's risk framework/risk register (Question 4)
- Child Protection/Safety policies and procedures (Question 4)
- Data, research, or evaluation that points to the need you are seeking to address (Question 16, upload one or more)
- Strategy, theory of change, evaluations or any other supporting material (Question 22, upload one or more)

### Eligibility

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To be eligible for a Better Futures Grant your organisation needs to meet the criteria set out below. All eligibility questions require a response. If your organisation is not eligible, you will not be able to proceed to the application.

#### 1. Is your organisation endorsed as a Deductible Gift Recipient (DGR1) and registered with Australian Charities and Not-for-Profits Commission (ACNC)? \*

Yes  No

#### Please search for and enter your Organisation's ABN \*

The ABN provided will be used to look up the following information. Click Lookup above to check that you have entered the ABN correctly.

Information from the Australian Business Register
ABN
Entity name
ABN status
Entity type
Goods & Services Tax (GST)

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DGR Endorsed
ATO Charity Type <a href="#">More information</a>
ACNC Registration
Tax Concessions
Main business location

Must be an ABN.

### 2. Is your organisation's annual revenue between \$1M and \$5M? \*

Yes  No

### Please enter your organisation's annual revenue. \*

Must be a whole number (no decimal place) and between 999999 and 5000000.

### Upload your most recent (within 18 months) financial statement. \*

Attach a file:

A minimum of 1 file must be attached.

Please note, for organisations with annual revenue above \$3M, statements need to be audited and signed by the auditor (an auditor's review is not as detailed as an audit)

### 3. Is your proposed program being implemented in Australia? \*

Yes  No

### In which states and territories will your program be delivered? \*

- |                              |                                     |
|------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> ACT | <input type="checkbox"/> TAS        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> NSW | <input type="checkbox"/> VIC        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> NT  | <input type="checkbox"/> WA         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> QLD | <input type="checkbox"/> Nationwide |
| <input type="checkbox"/> SA  |                                     |

Select all that apply or 'Nationwide'.

## About your Organisation

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#### 1. Organisation details

##### Organisation name \*

Organisation Name

##### Primary address \*

Address

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Address Line 1, Suburb/Town, State/Province, Postcode, and Country are required.

### Primary phone number \*

Must be an Australian phone number.

### Email address \*

Must be an email address.

### Website \*

Must be a URL.

## 2. Primary contact for this application \*

Title	First Name	Last Name
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

### Position held in organisation \*

### Primary phone number \*

Must be an Australian phone number.

### Email address \*

Must be an email address.

## 3. Please describe your organisation's approach to child protection/safety. \*

Word count:

Must be no more than 100 words.

## 4. Upload your organisation's risk framework/risk register along with your Child Protection/Safety policies and procedures \*

Attach a file:

A maximum of 4 files may be attached.

## 5. If your organisation has a corporate volunteering program, please describe it here. [New Question](#) \*

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Word count:  
Must be no more than 100 words.

## About your Program

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### 6. Program title \*

Word count:  
Must be no more than 250 characters no more than 25 words.  
Title should be short but descriptive.

### 7. With which Westpac Foundation strategic priority is your program best aligned? \*

- Ready to Learn: Creating conditions for students to attend school and fully engage in learning.
- Learning Foundations: Ensuring all students build strong literacy and numeracy skills.
- Stronger Communities: Families, communities, and local partnerships supporting learning outcomes.

Select only one

### 8. The proposed program is \*

- A pilot of a new approach
- Growing or extending an existing approach
- Ongoing program

Select only one

### 9. Which is the primary Priority Cohort that will benefit from your program? \*

- Regional
- First Nations
- Low socioeconomic status (SES)
- Culturally and linguistically diverse (CALD)

If you are in a low SES community that may embrace all cohorts, select Low SES. If your program is in remote/regional areas only, please select Regional.

### 10. In which location/s is your program taking place \*

- Metropolitan
- Regional
- Remote

Select all that apply.

### 11. Where specifically will the program be taking place? \*

If known, name the suburb/s or region (e.g. Western Sydney) where the program will be delivered

### 12. Who does your program directly target? \*

- Students
- Teachers
- Primary Schools

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- Parents/carers
- Community members
- Other:

Select all that apply.

### 13. How many participants (e.g. students, teachers, schools etc.) do you anticipate reaching via this program? \*

Must be a number.

Note: We don't assess applications by relative reach numbers - we understand the cost to serve differs in different contexts. Our main assessment focus is impact.

### 14. Please provide a summary of the program. \*

Word count:

Must be no more than 200 words.

### 15. What is the need you are seeking to address with this program? \*

Word count:

Must be no more than 150 words.

What is the broader social issue? What long term outcome are you seeking to contribute to?

### 16. How does your program address this need? \*

Word count:

Must be no more than 200 words.

### Upload any data, research, or program evaluation here.

Attach a file:

A maximum of 3 files may be attached.

Research or data that points to the need, relevant program evaluations.

### 17. How have you engaged with the school, community or key stakeholders to ensure support for this program? \*

Word count:

Must be no more than 150 words.

Include who you are collaborating with to deliver this program (if relevant).

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### 18. What are the top three key risks/challenges you anticipate for this program and how will you address these?

Describe how each risk could affect the program's success and any plans to reduce or manage them.

Note: to add more rows, click "Add more" at the bottom right corner of the text box. To enlarge the table for entering information, click 'Maximise' at the top right or drag the bottom right corner of the text box.

Risk	Mitigation
Add one row per risk or challenge Must be no more than 50 words.	Must be no more than 50 words.

## Evaluation and Impact

\* indicates a required field

### 19. Describe how you will evaluate the effectiveness of the program \*

Word count:

Must be no more than 100 words.

Outline your evaluation approach. Will the evaluation be undertaken internally or by external advisors?

### 20. What are the expected key outputs for your program?

Outputs are the tangible results of activities, such as three workshops held, 40 scholarships awarded, 200 students participating, or an online platform created. Include target numbers where appropriate.

Note: to make the table larger when entering your information, press the 'Maximise' button at the top right-hand side and/or drag the bottom right-hand corner of the text box to your desired size. To add more outputs, click "Add more" at the bottom right corner of the text box. To enlarge the table for entering information, click 'Maximise' at the top right or drag the bottom right corner of the text box.

Year	Outputs
	Must be no more than 20 words.

### 21. Please describe the top three intended short to medium-term outcomes of your program.

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Outcomes are the short-to-medium term changes resulting from products, programs, or services, e.g. a 20% increase in school attendance. Focus on the highest priority, achievable outcomes, and specify how they will be measured.

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Key Outcome	How will this be measured?
One per row	

### 22. If you have a strategy, theory of change, evaluations or any other supporting material for your program, please upload here: \*

Attach a file:

A minimum of 1 file and a maximum of 4 files may be attached.

## Income and Expenditure

\* indicates a required field

### 23. What will the funds be used for? \*

Word count:

Must be no more than 100 words.

General overview of how the funds will be used. More detailed expenditure will be required below.

### 24. What other sources of funding will also support the program over the grant period?

Provide clear descriptions for each item e.g. 'Council community grant', 'company X sponsorship', 'fundraising donations'.

Note: please remove commas from figures to ensure figures for each table total correctly (type \$1000, not \$1,000). To add more rows, click "Add more" at the bottom right corner of the text box.

Income description	Income type	Confirmed?	Amount (\$)
			Must be a dollar amount.

### 25. How will you use the Better Futures Grant to help achieve your program objectives over the funding period?

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We support a [Pay What it Takes approach](#). Include any operational costs that may not be easily attributable to the program, e.g. IT, finance, HR, learning and development, measurement and evaluation. List anticipated expenditure with short descriptions e.g. 'onsite power & water for 6 months', 'purchase of uniforms', 'part-time staffer x 40 hours', 'consultant for social impact framework'.

Note: remove commas from figures to ensure figures for each table total correctly (type \$1000, not \$1,000). To add more rows, click "Add more" at the bottom right corner of the text box. To enlarge the table for entering information, click 'Maximise' at the top right or drag the bottom right corner of the text box.

Description	Expenditure type	Amount (\$)
Must be no more than 50 words.		Must be a dollar amount.

### 26. What is your organisation's plan for financial sustainability? \*

Word count:

Must be no more than 200 words.

For example, partnerships, fundraising, fee-for-service, investment strategies.

## Declaration

\* indicates a required field

### Please tick each of the following boxes to confirm your declaration and agreement: \*

- I declare that information in this application is true and correct and I have the authority to submit the application on behalf of the above-named organisation.
- I understand that this application will not be considered unless it is complete and meets the eligibility criteria set out in this application form.
- The organisation agrees that personal information collected by Westpac Foundation will be treated in accordance with Westpac Foundation's Privacy Policy.

### Please tick each of the following boxes to confirm declarations and agreement by your organisation: \*

- The organisation declares that it complies and agrees to comply with: (i) its internal governing documents, and (ii) relevant laws and governance standards (including, but not limited to the Corporations Act 2001, the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012 (ACNC Act) and the ACNC governance standards.
- The organisation declares that is not subject to any regulatory investigations and / or written directions from the ACNC under section 85-5(1) of the ACNC Act.
- The organisation acknowledges that statements found to be inconsistent with this certification will affect this application and may lead to our organisation's removal from the Grant process.
- The organisation agrees that, if successful, grant funds will be used in accordance with the request in this application and to create community benefit.

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- The organisation understands that applying for this Grant and submission of this form does not represent any offer of funding.
- The organisation agrees that personal information collected by Westpac Foundation will be treated in accordance with Westpac Foundation's Privacy Policy.
- The organisation acknowledges and understands that all applications become the property of Westpac Foundation.

[You can read Westpac Foundation's Privacy Policy here.](#)

### Name of authorised person \*

Title      First Name      Last Name

<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
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Must be a senior staff member, trustee or appropriately authorised volunteer

### Position \*

Position held in applicant organisation (e.g. CEO, Treasurer)

### Phone number \*

Must be an Australian phone number.

We may contact you to verify that this application is authorised by the applicant organisation

### Email \*

Must be an email address.

## You are not eligible for the Better Futures Grant

Thank you for your interest in the Westpac Foundation Better Futures Grants.

Based on the responses provided in your eligibility check, your organisation is not eligible to proceed with a Better Futures application.

### Why am I seeing this message?

Your eligibility responses indicate that one or more mandatory requirements for the Better Futures Grant were not met.

All criteria must be satisfied for an application to be considered.

### Common reasons for ineligibility include:

- Your organisation is not endorsed as a Deductible Gift Recipient (DGR1) or registered with Australian Charities and Not-for-Profits Commission (ACNC)
- Your organisation's annual revenue is not between \$1M and \$5M
- Your program does not take place in Australia

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### **What you can do next**

You may wish to:

- Return to the eligibility questions to check whether any answers were entered incorrectly
- Review the Better Futures Funding Guidelines for details on eligibility and priorities
- Contact the Westpac Foundation team at [westpacfoundation@westpac.com.au](mailto:westpacfoundation@westpac.com.au) if you believe this result is in error or would like advice on future opportunities