



Fact Sheet – Grants to Local Government Model

Background

The Grants to Local Government Model (the Model) commenced on 25 September 2019 and is the new streamlined framework for State Government grants to Local Government.

The Model is a whole-of-Government approach to design, administration and evaluation of grant programs delivered to Local Governments. The new, simpler model improves coordination and brings together both state and local priorities to benefit our communities.

The Model is underpinned by five principles:

- Customer-focused
- Collaboration
- Consistency
- Clarity
- Communication

Outcome-focused Program Streams

The model has been developed to reduce the number of Departments that councils have to deal with. Programs with similar outcomes will be grouped to reduce overlap and duplication.

Streams	Administered by
Security of essential services	Department of Local Government, Racing and Multicultural Affairs
Safe and efficient road and transport network	Department of Transport and Main Roads
Resilient communities	Queensland Reconstruction Authority
Economic development and growth	Department of State Development, Manufacturing, Infrastructure and Planning
Sustainable natural resource management	Department of Natural Resources, Mines and Energy
Community wellbeing	Department of Local Government, Racing and Multicultural Affairs

Improved program timelines

Under the Model, grants program timelines and approvals have been streamlined, will provide consistency for councils and are designed to better

align with council budget cycles. The indicative timeline is:



Easier administration for Councils

The Model has developed a new set of standardised templates to improve consistency of program administration across government and make project delivery easier for councils:

- [Expression of Interest](#)
- [Application Form](#)
- [Progress Report Form](#)
- [Variation Request Form](#)
- [Project Completion Report Form](#)
- [Program Guidelines template](#)
- [Head Funding Agreement](#)
- [Inter-agency Agreement](#)
- [Other forms](#) (i.e. Project Plan template etc.)

A single point of reference

To assist Councils in identifying potential funding, all grant programs open to local government only will be published on a single web landing page at <https://www.dlgrma.qld.gov.au/local-government/grants/model/grants-to-local-government.html>

How it affects existing agreements

The Model applies to new Grant Programs, as well as new rounds of existing programs released from 25 September 2019. All existing projects managed by the State Agencies will continue to be administered via the current Funding Agreements.

More information

Visit the Grants Model page at www.dlgrma.qld.gov.au/local-government/grants/model.html for additional resources including:

- Frequently Asked Questions
- Resources and Templates
- Grant programs web landing page link