



# Building Better Regions Fund (BBRF) Round 6 Information Presentation

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# Congratulations to the BBRF Round 5 Recipients

Regional Development Australia (RDA) Goldfields Esperance was proud to support the following successful applications, as well as a number of unsuccessful applications, through their BBRF Round 5 Applications:

- Esperance Bay Yacht Club successfully applied for a
  \$2,094,770 grant for the Esperance Bay Marina
   Redevelopment. This project will upgrade the Esperance
   Bay Marina to increase capacity and comply with Australian standards with a total project cost of \$2,844,770.
- Ralgoorlie-Boulder Basketball Association successfully applied for a \$4,496,400 grant for the Niels Hansen

  Basketball Stadium Redevelopment. This project will redevelop the current Kalgoorlie Boulder basketball stadium which no longer meets the needs and demands of the community with a total project cost of \$12,996,400.





### BBRF Round 6 Stream overview

#### \$250 million to support:

- Infrastructure Stream: Infrastructure projects
- Community Investment Stream: Local events, strategic regional plans or leadership and capability strengthening

Projects must provide economic and social benefits to regional and remote areas

# Grant amount, application period and eligibility

#### **Amount:**

- Infrastructure Grants \$20,000 to \$10 million to cover 50% or more of eligible project costs
- Community Investment Grants of \$5000 to \$1 million to cover 50% or more of eligible project costs

#### **Application period:**

- Open date: 13 December 2021
- RDA Goldfields Esperance target date for application review, support and Letter
   Of Support requests: Monday 31 January
- Close date: 5pm Thursday 10 February 2022

#### **Eligibility**

 An incorporated not-for-profit organisation, Australian local government agency or body or a non-distributing co-operative (Private sector can partner)

#### What's Different in Round 6?

- \$250 million will be provided across both streams, funding across streams depends on the volume and quality of applications
- You are encouraged to use recycled and re-purposed materials, best practice waste management and opportunities for local procurement, labour and services
- No specific funding for tourism-related infrastructure
- Projects must be completed by 31 December 2024



## Infrastructure Projects Stream

- Projects can be either construction of new infrastructure or the upgrade or extension of existing infrastructure
- Only supports investment ready projects
- Usually grant funding will be up to either 50% or 75% of your eligible\_project costs
- Your location determines the percentage of grant funding you can receive
- Make sure your co-funding is confirmed!



# Community Investment Stream

- Grant funding will be up to either 50% or 75% of your eligible project costs
- Your location will determine the percentage of grant funding you can receive
- For small projects with a total grant amount of equal to or less than \$20k, grant funding will be up to 100% of eligible project costs.

#### **Assessment**

- Only applications that score at least 60% against each assessment criterion will be assessed
- Assessment criterion 1: Economic benefits of your project for the region (15 points)
- Assessment criterion 2: Social benefits of your project for the region (15 points)
- Assessment criterion 3: Capacity, capability and resources to deliver the project (5 points)
- Assessment criterion 4: Impact of funding on your project (5 points)

#### **How do I show Economic Benefits?**

Increases number/value of jobs

New businesses

New goods and services

Opportunities for growth in existing sectors

Use of local suppliers and goods

Sustainable work practices/goods

Increases
efficiency of the
transport system
or service delivery

Indigenous participation

#### **How do I show Social Benefits?**

Makes your region a more attractive place to live

Fills a gap within the community

Improves community connections and social inclusion

Supports or protects local heritage and culture

Increases volunteering

Addresses disadvantage

# How do I show capacity, capability and resources to deliver?

Your track record managing similar projects

Access to personnel and/or partners with the right skills and experience

Readiness to commence, including access to infrastructure, capital equipment or technology

Sound project planning to manage and monitor the project

How you will operate and maintain the infrastructure and benefits of the project into the future

If your project is still in the planning or concept stage, it is not likely to be competitive!

### How do I show impact of funding?

Community engagement and collaboration plans

Total investment including additional cash contribution and in-kind support

How the project increases local investment and partnerships

Will the project proceed without the grant? How will the grant impact project size, timing and reach

Already received
Commonwealth
funding? Explain why
you need additional
funding

# Key principles of successful projects

Measurable improvements

Project well defined

Meaningful support

Value for money

Shovel ready

Strategic alignment



## Where can I find data?

Wherever possible use data and examples to support your claims, the following are available on our website or by request:

- <u>Economic and demographic statistical data</u> from profile.id
- Economic Impact Modelling (provided by RDA Goldfields Esperance) to demonstrate evidencebased support for your proposal

### **General Grant Tips**



Read the Guidelines!



Show how your community will benefit



Be succinct



Don't use acronyms



**Prepare early** 



Include financial and in-kind support



Revise and always proof-read!



Use data and evidence

### Applying? First check...





Grant amount / matching \$



Closing date, grant period



What can and can't be funded



Assessment criteria



How to apply and mandatory documents

# RDA Goldfields Esperance can provide project support...

#### We can:

- Help you identify and develop a strong project proposal
- Link you to groups/people in the region that you could collaborate with or seek support from
- Work with you to prepare a competitive application, including supporting documents and evidence





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### Questions? Fire away!

Contact Raz Ion on 0417 959 458 or director@rdage.com.au





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