



NSW Justice Reinvestment 2024 Grant Program

About the NSW Justice Reinvestment 2024 Grant Program

The NSW Justice Reinvestment 2024 Grant Program (the Program) provides funding to Aboriginal communities in NSW to drive real change at a local level.

The aim of Justice Reinvestment is to support communities to identify the reasons why people come in contact with the criminal justice system, including police, courts and prison, and develop and deliver a plan that can make a real impact.

\$7.5 million in funding is available for initiatives up to three years in duration. Funding can be used by Aboriginal organisations to:

- create or support community governance and consultation
- investigate issues by using data, research or through local community meetings
- develop a plan for change, including specific initiatives and/or options for reform
- implement or pilot options or programs already developed by the community to address identified issues.

How to apply

Stage 1: Expression of Interest (EOI)

This stage requires general information only, not a fully formed plan. You just need to tell us about your organisation and community and how you would use the funding.

This stage also helps the Department of Communities and Justice (DCJ) to design stage 2 assessment criteria to meet the local needs of communities.

Applicants must submit an EOI in stage 1 to be eligible to receive funding.

Stage 1 opened on Tuesday 23 January 2024 and closes 5pm, Monday 18 March 2024.

Stage 2: Full Grant Application

If your organisation meets the eligibility criteria, you will be invited to take part in stage 2.

In stage 2, you will have access to free support from [Thirriwirri](#) to submit a full proposal and costing.

Stage 2 is open from 9am, Tuesday 2 April 2024 to 5pm, Monday 13 May 2024.



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Eligibility

The Program seeks interest from Aboriginal Community Controlled Organisations (ACCO's). This includes organisations new to, or those with existing knowledge of, the Justice Reinvestment way of working.

Other organisations, including not-for-profits and Local Aboriginal Land Councils are also eligible to apply. A full list of eligible organisations and criteria, including the definition of ACCO, can be found in the [grant guidelines](#).

Key dates

Stage	Dates
Stage 1: EOI	23 January 2024 to 18 March 2024
Online information session 1	4pm, 14 February 2024
Online information session 2	1pm, 26 February 2024
Stage 2 invitations	19 March 2024 to 1 April 2024
Stage 2: Full grant application opening	2 April 2024 to 13 May 2024
Application outcomes advised	June 2024
Project delivery timeframe (for successful applications)	30 June 2024 to 30 June 2027

More information and support

DCJ will host two, one-hour online information sessions to provide an overview of the Program and to answer questions:

- 4pm, Wednesday 14 February 2024 ([register here](#))
- 1pm, Monday 26 February 2024 ([register here](#))

If you are unable to attend, a recording of the session will be available on the grant website after the session.

Support is available to help you with your application. Before applying, you are strongly encouraged to read the [grant guidelines](#) and [frequently asked questions](#). For detailed information and application link, visit <https://dcj.nsw.info/JusticeReinvestment>.

If you have any questions or require support to apply, please email justicereinvestment@dcj.nsw.gov.au or call 02 8688 8940.

