



# 2019 Responsible Gambling Awareness Week

## Community Event Grants Program Guide

The 2019 Responsible Gambling Awareness Week Event Grants Program is a one-off funding program to fund events and promotional activities in local communities across NSW to support Responsible Gambling Awareness Week 2019, from Monday 16 September to Sunday 22 September 2019.

Responsible Gambling Awareness Week (RGAW) is an annual initiative to increase awareness of gambling and gambling harm in the NSW community. It is an opportunity to increase the community's understanding of risky gambling behaviour, encourage gamblers to recognise when their gambling may place them at risk of harm, and provide information on practical ways to keep their gambling under control.

Building on the success of 2018, the theme this year will again be Check-in. The 'Check-in' theme encourages people to check in on their own gambling or check-in with family, friends, colleagues and patrons who may need to assess their gambling behaviours. Information about the 2018 RGAW campaign including a link to the Check-in tool and other resources are available on the Office of Responsible Gambling [website](#). New 2019 resources will be added as they are developed. Promotional activities and events funded through the grants will be also be published on the website.



A total of \$100,000 is available for organisations to deliver an event or activity that supports RGAW objectives. Successful grant recipients will design community events that provide opportunities for people to participate in activities that increase awareness of gambling and gambling harm in the NSW community.

## Key dates

Applications open

**Monday 20 May 2019**

Applications close

**Monday 17 June 2019**

Responsible Gambling Awareness Week 2019

**Monday 16 September to Sunday 22 September 2019**

Responsible Gambling Awareness Week events and activities

**Monday 9 September to Sunday 29 September 2019**

## Funding available

Two categories for funding are available:

- Small projects: \$500–\$2,000
- Large projects: \$2,000 –\$10,000

Co-funding for larger projects is strongly encouraged from industry partners or councils and will be viewed favourably. Successful applicants will need to spend the funds received by the end of October 2019. All funded RGAW events must be held between 9 September–29 September 2019.

The grants can be used for the direct costs of the event, including promotion, entertainment, venue hire and transport for participants.

Project funding cannot be used for:

- Prize money
- Liquor promotions or the purchase of alcohol
- Projects involving gambling activities
- Any activity of a commercial nature that is for personal profit
- Capital works including building work
- Permanent salaries/wages (costs for temporary tutors/instructors for your project or event can be included)



- Permanent equipment purchases for example tables and computers
- Business as usual costs or general operating expenses
- The same event twice (for example two organisations cannot apply for funds for the same event or activity).

## Eligibility

Applications are open to Gambling Help services, community organisations, sporting clubs, schools, and local government as well as commercial organisations, licensed venues, Liquor Accords and/or individuals.

Organisations and community groups must have public liability insurance or have an auspice to be eligible for funding.

Eligible projects must:

- Spend the funds by the end of October 2019
- Deliver the event or promotional activities between 9 September to 29 September 2019

## What can I apply for

There are many different types of events and promotional activities that you can apply for, including but not limited to:

- Public education and awareness event such as a pop-up stall at a local gaming venue, shopping centre or community centre
- Public education and awareness event with guest speakers
- Health and wellbeing information expo
- Local film night with service information stalls
- Sports day or tournament with a relevant theme
- Panel discussion with health and gambling experts.

## How to apply

- You will need to complete an [online application form](#)
- Applications open on Monday 20 May 2019 and close on Monday 17 June 2019.
- Late submissions will not be accepted as the process for deciding who should receive funding commences immediately after the closing date for the round.

## How funding is decided

Applications will be assessed by subject matter experts against the following criteria:

### Merit and Engagement:

- how the project will raise awareness of gambling and/ or gambling harm in the NSW community
- if relevant, what information the project will provide, for example: practical ways for people to keep their gambling under control, how to seek help or understanding how gambling works
- how many people your project will reach and how you will promote it.

### Viability and budget: if the project:

- has a realistic project budget and project plan for the scale and impact of the project
- includes relevant insurance cover and approvals where necessary (for example public liability).

## Once a decision is made

Applicants will be notified of the outcome by email. Details of successful applicants will be published on the Office of Responsible Gambling website.

## Funding obligations

When applicants are approved they will be required to:

- execute a funding agreement
- publicise the funding from the NSW Government on project material
- have the initiative showcased by the NSW Government
- provide a short report on the project outcomes and key learnings within 6 weeks of the project being completed. This is likely to include number of participants, demographics of participants, event photos (where appropriate), media coverage, and a short summary of outcomes
- submit a certified financial acquittal within 6 weeks of project completion.

## Get in touch

Contact the Office of Responsible Gambling Grants team for assistance:

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### Translating and interpreter service

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### More information

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