



Aboriginal Languages Trust

2023-2024 NSW Aboriginal Languages Week Program

Frequently Asked Questions

Context

The Aboriginal Languages Trust (**ALT**) administers grant programs, referred collectively as the Aboriginal Languages Community Investment Program, to support the growth and nurturing of Aboriginal Languages in NSW, consistent with the *Aboriginal Languages Act 2017*.

The Aboriginal Languages Community Investment Program has several funding streams, one of which is:

The **NSW Aboriginal Languages Week Grant Program** is an open program to all eligible applicants and offers grants between \$1,000 to \$5,000.

Aboriginal Languages Week Grants Program

The NSW Aboriginal Languages Week Program (**Program**) provides one-off funding to eligible Aboriginal Community organisations and groups in NSW to support them to host events and activities to celebrate and promote Aboriginal Languages, delivered during Languages Week between 22 October and 29 October 2023, consistent with the objectives of the *Aboriginal Languages Act 2017*.

How does it work?

This is an open competitive grants program, available to eligible Aboriginal organisations and groups in NSW.

Applicants can apply for grants from \$1,000 up to \$5,000. The Aboriginal Languages Trust has allocated \$250,000 for the Aboriginal Languages Week Grant Program in 2022-2023.

For projects delivered by recipients between 22 October 2023 and 29 October 2023

Applications open on 12pm on Monday, 24 July 2023.

Applications close at 11.59pm on Wednesday, 23 August 2023.

Applications are to be completed online at <https://alt.smartygrants.com.au/>

What do I need to do before I apply?

You should read the Program Guidelines to make sure your organisation or group and Language project is eligible for funding.

The Guidelines are available on the ALT's website: <https://www.alt.nsw.gov.au/>

Can I submit more than one application?

No, the Program provides one off funding and applicants are limited to one application per funding year.

When can I submit my application?

Applications open 12pm Monday 24 July 2023.

Applications close 11.59pm Wednesday 23 August 2023.

Application will be assessed by 31 August 2023 and applicants will be notified of the outcome by 1 September 2023.

Applications can be submitted online through SmartyGrants while funds are available

<https://alt.smartygrants.com.au/>

Can I get support to prepare my application?

If you need support with the application process or are in a remote Community with limited access to the internet to apply, please contact the ALT:

- Phone: 1300 036 406
- Email: grants@alt.nsw.gov.au

My organisation has a great project idea – can we submit?

The Program awards grants to eligible Aboriginal organisations and groups – the ALT encourages all eligible organisations to apply.

You should read the Program Guidelines to make sure your organisation or group and Language project is eligible for funding. The Guidelines are available on the ALT's website: <https://www.alt.nsw.gov.au/>

Please ensure your local community supports your Language project.

Letters of support will need to be included in your application.

What happens during the assessment/review phase?

The ALT assessment team will be reviewing all applications and will check these against the Program Guidelines. They will look to confirm:

- The organisations / group's eligibility.
- The project meets the programs aims and objectives.
- The potential impact of the project based on who will benefit from the project and how this will be achieved.
- The organisations / group's capacity to manage the project, based on previous projects managed and key staff involved.
- The value for money based on the detail included in the project budget and if it reasonable and realistic.

If my project is ineligible, will I be told?

All applications will be screened for project eligibility. Ineligible applicants will be notified in writing.

For any questions regarding the Aboriginal Languages Week Program, please contact the staff of Aboriginal Languages Trust:

- Phone: 1300 036 406
- Website: www.alt.nsw.gov.au
- Email: grants@alt.nsw.gov.au

How can smaller groups contend with larger organisations?

The ALT administers grant programs, referred collectively as the Aboriginal Languages Community Investment Program, to support the growth and nurturing of Aboriginal Languages in NSW, consistent with the *Aboriginal Languages Act 2017*.

The Aboriginal Languages Community Investment Program has several funding streams which are designed to help ensure funds are administered equitably and fairly across Communities in NSW.

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- Phone: 1300 036 406
- Email: grants@alt.nsw.gov.au

How do I provide feedback on the Program or process?

If an applicant wishes to provide feedback or make a complaint about the Program, they should contact the Community Investment team at grants@alt.nsw.gov.au

If successful, how much time do I have to complete the project?

Projects must be delivered by the recipients between 22 October and 29 October 2023.

Project completion reports and acquittals are due by 30 November 2023.