



2023 Aboriginal Languages Revival Program Frequently Asked Questions

Context

The Aboriginal Languages Trust (**ALT**) administers grant programs to support the growth and nurturing of Aboriginal languages in NSW, consistent with the *Aboriginal Languages Act 2017*.

Aboriginal Languages Revival Program

The Aboriginal Languages Revival Program provides one-off funding to Aboriginal Community organisations and groups located in NSW to support them to commence or build on smaller scale languages revival projects. The program aims to promote and raise awareness of Aboriginal languages in communities across NSW, consistent with the objectives of the *Aboriginal Languages Act 2017* (NSW).

How does it work?

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

Applicants can apply for grants from \$1,000 up to \$25,000.

For projects delivered by recipients between 1 July 2023 and 1 June 2024.

Applications open 9am Wednesday 25 January 2023.

Applications close 5pm Tuesday 28 February 2023.

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

How will the funding be distributed?

The Trust has allocated \$650,000 for the Aboriginal Languages Revival Program in 2023.

It is important that the Aboriginal Languages Revival Program provides good geographical spread, ensuring a variety of Language groups and projects are funded under the program.

What do I need to do before I apply?

You should read the Aboriginal Languages Revival Program guidelines to make sure your organisation or group or 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 Aboriginal Languages Revival Program provides one-off funding to Aboriginal community organisations and groups. This will enable the Trust to distribute funds further to communities across NSW.

When can I submit my application?

Applications are open between 25 January – 28 February 2023.

Application assessments will be completed by 22 April 2022.

Successful applicants will be notified by 22 May 2022.

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 Trust:

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

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

The Aboriginal Languages Revival Program Grants are distributed to Aboriginal run and controlled organisations – the Trust encourages all eligible organisations to apply.

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 Aboriginal Languages Revival Program assessment team will be reviewing all applications and check these against the 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?

If your project or organisation is deemed ineligible by the assessment team, you will receive an email advising you of this. If you need more information, you will be able to contact the Trust for further information.

How can smaller groups contend with larger organisations?

We have designed this program to help ensure the funds are equitably distributed across communities in NSW.

We are helping to make funding fairer by ensuring that:

- Funding is spread across NSW, to ensure an equitable geographical distribution.
- This program is designed for Communities commencing their Language revival journeys.

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

All successful projects must be completed by 1 June 2024.

Project completion reports and acquittals are due by 14 June 2024.