

THINK! Road Safety **Community Grants** Program 2025-2026 Guidelines



About the Program

The THINK! Road Safety Community Grants Program (the Program) helps South Australian organisations promote road safety in their communities.

We fund initiatives that can make a real difference by improving safety on and around our roads.

The Program supports the South Australian Government's goal of **zero road deaths by 2050**, as outlined in the *Road Safety Strategy to 2031* and *Road Safety Action Plan 2025-2027*.

Funding and timing

We are offering grants up to \$20,000 for community groups and organisations who are passionate about improving road safety and reducing lives lost on our roads.

The total pool funding available is \$200,000.

Funding will be competitive as we expect a high level of interest in the Program and more applications than we can support.

✓ What we fund

We fund initiatives that:

- deliver school or community education on road safety
- support existing initiatives like National Road Safety Week
- use local events or programs to influence positive road safety behaviour
- promote driver, pedestrian and cyclist road safety.

✗ What we don't fund

- public education campaigns that duplicate or conflict with the work of the Government of South Australia
- projects outside of South Australia
- infrastructure projects or the repair of roads or road-related signage
- licenced organisations or premises with a gaming machine licence
- political parties, groups, projects or events
- costs relating to fundraising, or using funds for prizes, awards, or competitions
- administration and operating costs not related to the project
- the cost to prepare an application to this Program



We acknowledge the Traditional Custodians of the Country throughout South Australia and recognise their continuing connection to land and waters.

We pay our respects to the diversity of cultures significance of contributions and to Elders past, present and emerging.

Key dates	
Applications open	9am on Monday, 3 November 2025
Applications close	5pm on Friday, 12 December 2025
Applications assessed	December 2025 – January 2026
Grants offered	February 2026
Agreements signed	
Road safety initiative delivery	March – September 2026
Acquittals due (reporting)	October 2026

Program objectives

Your road safety initiative needs to support at least one of our six Program objectives:



Regional and remote communities

Raise awareness of local road safety issues and promote positive road safety behaviour in regional and remote areas.



Aboriginal road safety

Raise awareness of road safety issues affecting Aboriginal people and promote positive road safety behaviour in a culturally relevant way.



Road user behaviour

Influence attitudes and behaviours so people make safer choices on and around local roads.



Vulnerable road users

Educate and promote safe driving behaviour to older and young road users, cyclists, motorcyclists, and pedestrians.



Workplaces

Build a culture of road safety and promote safe driving behaviour in workplaces.



Walking, cycling and public transport

Promote public transport and active travel as an alternative and safe form of transport in local areas.



Who can apply?

Your organisation can apply if you:

- are based in South Australia and will deliver your initiative here
- have operated for at least 12 months
- are one of the following:



a local government area, such as a council



a charity



a school or educational institution



a not-for-profit community organisation



a community-based sporting organisation

Who is not eligible to apply?

You **are not** eligible to apply if you are:

- an individual
- an organisation that is primarily for-profit, including businesses
- a federal or state government department or organisation
- organisations that don't operate in South Australia
- an organisation with an existing partnership agreement under the THINK! Road Safety Partnerships Program.

How to apply

To submit your application, you will need to use online grants platform, SmartyGrants.

We are only accepting one application per organisation, so if you are proposing multiple projects, you'll need to submit them in one application.

Late or incomplete applications will not be considered. We are only accepting applications via SmartyGrants – please do not fax, email, post or physically deliver.

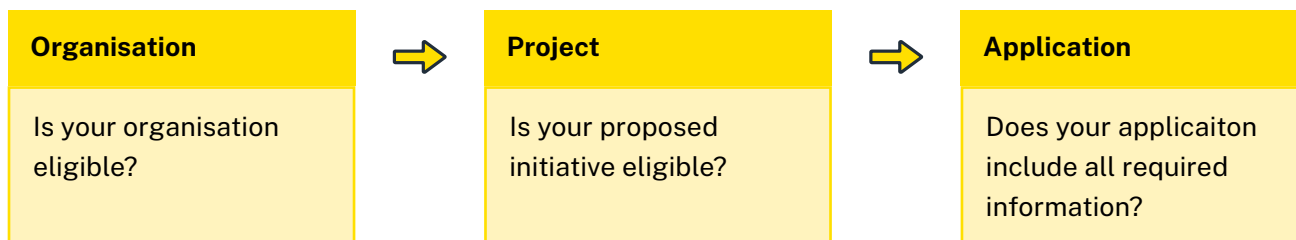
What to include in your application

You'll need to submit the following information via SmartyGrants as part of your application:

- your Australian Business Number (ABN)
- your address and contact details
- banking information for your organisation
- a statement or document that clearly details your proposed road safety initiative and how it aligns with at least one of the Program objectives
- an itemised budget that breaks down how the grant funding will be spent
- a proposed timeline for when and how you are going deliver your road safety initiative between March and September 2026
- details on how you measure and report on the success of your road safety initiative. Please include any data you are able to collect.

What happens after you've applied?

Now it's over to us! We will assess all applications and everyone will receive a response, regardless of the outcome. Our team will assess the following:



If we come across an application that needs to be resubmitted due to administrative errors, we will get in touch with you directly.

Application assessment and notification

All eligible applications will be assessed on merit. We will prioritise funding for road safety initiatives that:

- strongly align with Program objectives
- show clear community impact
- provide best value for money
- can measure and report on success.

Please note that all grant funding decisions are final and there is no appeal process.

Grant agreements and reporting

If your application is successful, you will receive a Grant Agreement detailing funding, timelines and reporting requirements, as well as terms and conditions.

Please take the time to read this carefully.

The dates set out in your agreement will detail when you have to deliver your road safety initiative, and when you will need to acquit your grant.

To 'acquit' means you'll need to report on the outcomes of your project and provide evidence of expenditure against the grant funding you received. This acquittal is a condition of funding.





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