

ViiV HEALTHCARE AUSTRALIA POSITIVE ACTION



COMMUNITY GRANTS 2021

Who is ViiV Healthcare and what are our Positive Action Community Grants?

ViiV Healthcare is the only global pharmaceutical company 100% focused on combating, preventing and ultimately curing HIV and AIDS. Our collective determination is to make sure no one at risk of or living with HIV is left behind.

Our vision is to end the HIV/AIDS epidemic, by developing innovative medicines, delivering and supporting more effective solutions in care and being partners – to people with HIV (PWHIV), their carers and communities.

One way in which ViiV Healthcare supports the community response is via our Australian Positive Action Community Grants program. This program is aligned with the current priorities of the Eighth National HIV Strategy and contributes to the holistic response of UNAIDS 90–90–90¹ goals and “the fourth 90”².

Positive Action was created in 1992 by GSK, who still holds an interest in ViiV. It was the first pharmaceutical company program to support communities affected by HIV and AIDS.

ViiV Healthcare Australia through its Positive Action Community Grants looks to fund community-based projects that reach those most affected by, or at risk of HIV, particularly in marginalised, hard to reach or vulnerable populations. We support initiatives that are innovative, sustainable and produce tangible results for PWHIV.

We encourage partnerships and collaborations and we will prioritise submissions that allow for implementation replication on either a national level or in other jurisdictions.

The following areas have been identified as priorities for this grant round:

Priority Areas	Definitions
Quality of life for PWHIV (from surviving to thriving)	Initiatives that address barriers and enablers to an improved quality of life for PWHIV (including resilience, stigma, social support).
Enhanced PWHIV/HCP relationships	Initiatives that address barriers and enablers to PWHIV engaging in enhanced communication with their HCP by a demonstrated improvement in health literacy and/or understanding of a good quality of life.
Improved HIV-related knowledge in priority populations	Activities that focus on health promotion, prevention and peer education to improve knowledge and awareness of HIV in priority populations: such as Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and reduce risk behaviours associated with HIV transmission.
Improved health system responses to achieve best long-term health outcomes for PWHIV	Projects that aim to improve health systems response to multi-morbidity of PWHIV such as integrated health-care models by addressing the prevention, screening and management of comorbidities in a person-centred manner. The priorities of a PWHIV who is ageing may differ from those of the service provider. This includes projects that aim to better respond to the process of aging with HIV and may include response to mental health needs as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Who is eligible to apply?

The applicant must meet the following eligibility criteria to apply for grants:

- ✓ Be a charity, non-government or community-based organisation with a focus (>75%) on HIV and PWHIV
- ✓ Meets all the legal requirements expected of a non-government or community-based organisation in Australia
- ✓ Actively engages, collaborates and advocates with PWHIV

How much can you apply for?

A total amount of AU\$200,000 will be awarded to a number of organisations for the 2021 grants cycle representing the key priority areas. Grant requests may not exceed more than 25% of your total annual organisational income.

What will not be funded?

The ViiV Healthcare Positive Action Community Grants Program will not fund the following:

- Retrospective project expenditures
- Overseas travel costs
- On-going operational, capital works or facilities maintenance costs
- Purchase of equipment that incurs ongoing maintenance costs
- Competitions, prizes, profit making, or fundraising activities
- Projects that seek funding in excess of 25% of overall annual organisational income

How will your application be assessed?

Applications are considered in accordance with the following assessment criteria:

- ✓ Meet all the eligibility criteria
- ✓ Show strong evidence of the need for the project and align with identified priority areas
- ✓ Show clearly defined project goals, planning, budget, timeline and outcomes
- ✓ Clearly identify in-kind, cash or a voluntary contribution in the budget
- ✓ Actively engage PWHIV or at risk of HIV in all stages of the project

Assessment Process

When the grant round closes:

- Applications will be reviewed internally to determine that they meet the eligibility criteria – only applications that meet these criteria will undergo further review.
- The ViiV Healthcare Australia Grants and Donations Committee will assess all eligible applications
- All applicants will be notified of the outcome in writing

Requirements and Reporting

Successful organisations will be required to sign a grant agreement with ViiV Healthcare Australia; this is a pre-requisite to any funding being made available.

At the end of the funding period, the grant recipient is required to submit a report of the program including outcomes and funding acquittal (a reporting template will be provided by ViiV Healthcare Australia).

By applying you agree to ViiV Healthcare Australia publishing information about your supported program if your application is successful, including the grant amount.



COMPLETING YOUR APPLICATION

Applications open: 9am, Monday 8 November 2021

Applications close: 5pm, Friday 3 December 2021

Late or incomplete applications will not be accepted.

SUBMITTING APPLICATIONS

Complete and submit the application form and email to:

grants.australia@viiVhealthcare.com

FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information or if you require assistance please contact:

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¹UNAIDS. 90-90-90: an ambitious treatment target to help end the AIDS epidemic. 2014. http://www.unaids.org/sites/default/files/media_asset/90-90-90_en_0.pdf. Accessed 13 July 2020.

² Lazarus et al. BMC Medicine. 2016 14:94

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