

# VIIVHEALTHCARE AUSTRALIA POSITIVE ACTION

# **COMMUNITY GRANTS 2025**

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

ViiV Healthcare is a specialist pharmaceutical company 100% dedicated to HIV medicines and research and focused on people living with HIVand AIDS. Our collective determination is to make sure no person 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 living with HIV, 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 Ninth National HIV Strategy and contributes to the holistic response of UNAIDS 95–95<sup>1</sup> goals and Australia's target of 95% of people living with HIV reporting good quality of life by 2030.<sup>2</sup>

Positive Action was created in 1992 by GSK, who still holds an interest in ViiV. It was the first global 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 people living with HIV.

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 people living with HIV (from surviving to thriving)	Initiatives that enable an improved quality of life for people living with HIV and address barriers, including stigma and discrimination, social support and resilience
Enhancing relationships between people living with HIV and healthcare professionals	Initiatives that address barriers and enable people living with HIV to improve their health literacy and/or understanding of a good quality of life through enhanced communications with their HCP.
Improved HIV-related knowledge in priority populations	Activities that focus on health promotion, testing, prevention and peer education to improve knowledge and awareness of HIV in priority populations, such as Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and culturally and linguistically diverse communities.
Improved health system responses to achieve best long-term health outcomes for people living with HIV	Projects that aim to improve health system responses to multi- morbidity of people living with HIV such as integrated healthcare models by addressing the prevention, screening and management of comorbidities in a person-centred manner. The priorities of a Person Living with HIV who is ageing may differ from those of the service provider. This includes projects that aim to better respond to the process of ageing with HIV.

# 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 people living with HIV
- ✓ Meets all the legal requirements expected of a non-government or community-based organisation in Australia
- ✓ Actively engages, collaborates and advocates for people living with HIV

# How much can you apply for?

A total amount of AU\$200,000 (excl. GST) will be awarded to a number of organisations for the 2025 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 people living with HIV 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 mid-point and end of the funding period, the grant recipient is required to submit a report of the program including outcomes against agreed key performance indicators and at the conclusion a financial acquittal report is required.

By applying you agree to ViiV Healthcare Australia publishing information about your supported program if your application is successful, including the grant amount. Such disclosure will be made available via https://viivhealthcare.com/corporate-ethicscompliance/ngos-patientadvocacy-groups-we-fund/(global) and Transparency Reporting/ViiV Healthcare Australia (publicly accessible websites).



#### **COMPLETING YOUR APPLICATION**

**Applications open**: 9am, Monday 7th July 2025

**Applications close:** 12 midnight (AEST) Monday 4th August 2025.

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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