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Introduction

WIRES is Australia's largest wildlife rescue organisation. WIRES has been rescuing and caring for sick, injured and orphaned native animals for 40 years, and our mission is to actively rehabilitate and preserve Australian wildlife and inspire others to do the same. WIRES operates a dedicated Wildlife Rescue Office assisting wildlife and the community across Australia 24-hours a day, 365 days a year, providing rescue advice and assistance for over 163,700 animals annually, as well as providing full-time mobile Wildlife Emergency Responders operating across New South Wales, South-East Queensland and Tasmania.

The challenges currently faced by native wildlife and the wild places they call home are immense. At WIRES, we believe that collaboration is the key to delivering tangible project outcomes to effectively tackle these challenges. Projects that utilise the expertise of and share knowledge between wildlife rehabilitators, researchers, conservation professionals, First Nations people, citizen scientists and community groups will lead to the best outcomes for our precious native species.

Collectively, we can deliver the best long-term outcomes nationally for all native species.

Grant Program Overview

The WIRES National Grants Program (WIRES NGP) has been developed to provide ongoing support for wildlife, and their habitats, across Australia. WIRES focus is on proposals that have tangible, positive and ideally long-term outcomes for wildlife. Funding granted through this program is one-off and is for projects of between 6-12 months duration.

This is a competitive grants program. Demand is likely to outweigh available funds, and therefore eligible applications will be evaluated by an Assessment Panel. This assessment will be based on funding priorities, demonstrated need and the funds available.

Project outcomes should also support the objectives of the WIRES National Grants Program including:

- Building capacity and capability for the Australian wildlife rescue and rehabilitation sector
- Improving emergency preparedness and response capabilities to assist wildlife
- Preserving species and their habitat through projects leading to long term positive outcomes for native wildlife
- Raising community awareness and inspiring broader community involvement in supporting Australian wildlife rescue, rehabilitation, and preservation

This may be achieved through:

- Strategic on-ground activities
- Citizen science projects
- Community engagement and capacity building
- Education initiatives
- Collaborative partnership projects



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Priority will be given to projects and applicants that:

- Have not previously been funded by WIRES
- Deliver a co-contribution (cash and/or in-kind)
- Meet multiple program objectives
- Involve partnerships and knowledge sharing
- Facilitate collaboration with First Nations people and Indigenous organisations
- Increase awareness of the need/solution in the community

Joint applications and community partnerships are strongly encouraged.

Consideration will be given to ensure geographic equity nationally.

Funding Available

A total funding pool of up to \$200,000 is available across four tiers.

Eligible applicants are invited to submit proposals for:

Tier 1: Individually Licensed Wildlife Rescuers and Carers (6-month project up to \$1,000)

Tier 2: Licensed Wildlife Rescue and Rehabilitation Organisations (6-month project up to \$5,000)

Tier 3: Environmental NGOs and Community Groups (12-month project up to \$10,000)

Tier 4: Consortia/Multi-partner Collaborations (12-month project up to \$20,000)

Key Dates

Item	Date
Applications open	9 am (AEST) 17th June 2026
Online webinar #1	12.30pm (AEST) 24th June 2026
Online webinar #2	7.30pm (AEST) 30th June 2026
Applications close	11:59pm (AEST) 3rd August 2026
Successful applicants notified	October 2026
Grant announcements and unsuccessful applicants notified	November 2026
Reports due – Final for Tier 1 & 2 projects, Progress for Tier 3 & 4 projects	May 2027
Final Report due and project completed – Tier 3 & 4 projects	November 2027



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Eligibility

General Eligibility

Applicant must:

- Be a legal entity, able to enter into a legally binding agreement
- Must comply with all relevant laws and regulations in undertaking the project
- Have the knowledge, experience and appropriate licences/permissions required to deliver the project and have been operating in this capacity for a minimum of two years
- Be the organisation or individual completing the project
- Be located in and conduct activities within Australia
- Not have overdue progress or acquittal reports for previously funded grants
- Have a demonstrated history of professional, proactive, and positive collaboration with other organisations and individuals, including WIRES
- Submit the correct application form accurately and on time
- Have the appropriate type and level of insurance for the activities that are the subject of this proposal
- Have an Australian bank account
- Not have a current active grant with WIRES

Project must:

- Address one or more of WIRES National Grants Program priority objectives
- Identify a current need or issue and propose/provide a solution
- Result in demonstrable tangible outcomes for wildlife and/or their habitats
- Begin after the grant funding commencement date and not require retrospective, recurrent or ongoing funding
- Meet eligibility criteria for the appropriate funding tier
- Be realistic in terms of deliverables, timeframe, and budget
- Represent value for money compared with other proposals

WIRES does not provide funding for:

- Business as usual, ongoing operational expenses, including salaries
- Items and activities already purchased/paid for
- Re-granting to other organisations or individuals
- Activities that duplicate existing services or programs available to the sector
- Activities that harm or kill animals, or that WIRES deem have the potential for significant risk to animal health and welfare (including non-native animal control).
- Profit making activities
- Self-promotion activities, including advertising (unless it is directly related to funded project)
- Catering
- Fuel



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- Activities that repeat previously funded projects
- Activities that significantly benefit the applicant (for example paying for the businesses own services)

Eligibility Tiers 1 & 2

Tier 1 – Individually Licensed Wildlife Rescuers and Carers

Funds of up to \$1,000 are available for licensed wildlife carers for projects that can be achieved within six (6) months.

Where multiple individuals from the same group or collective intend to apply, applicants are encouraged to nominate one representative to submit a single Tier 2 application on behalf of the organisation. As under these circumstances, if multiple Tier 1 applications are received from members of the same organisations, only one application per group may be funded.

Tier 2 – Licensed Wildlife Rescue and Rehabilitation Organisations

Funds of up to \$5,000 are available for licensed wildlife rescue and rehabilitation organisations for projects that can be achieved within six (6) months.

Who is Eligible for Tier 1 & 2 projects?

Individually licensed wildlife rescuers and carers and licensed wildlife rescue and rehabilitation organisations. Grantees must have held an appropriate permit per the state they operate in for a minimum of two (2) years:

NSW - Biodiversity and Heritage Regulator (formerly National Parks & Wildlife Service) individual licence or membership to a licensed group (excluding WIRES members, as they are being supported through other funding programs)

VIC - Wildlife Shelter or Foster carer authorisation through the Department of Energy, Environment and Climate Action (DEECA) or Rescuer with Wildlife VIC

SA - One of the following Department for Environment and Water (DEW) permits: Wildlife Carer Permit, Wildlife Rehabilitation Facility Permit, Retain Protected Animals Unfit for Release Permit

TAS - Wildlife Rehabilitation Permit registered with the Department of Natural Resources and Environment (NRE) Tasmania

WA - Fauna Possessing (Other Purposes) Licence registered with the Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions (DBCA).

QLD - Individual permit through the Department of the Environment, Tourism, Science and Innovation (DETSI) or membership with a DETSI licensed or endorsed group

ACT - Member of ACT Wildlife

NT - Permit to keep protected wildlife from Parks and Wildlife Commission or a member of a group with a permit

Groups do not need to have charity status to be eligible.



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The applicant must:

- Meet licensing requirements as outlined above for each state and provide a copy of their rehabilitation licence or vet licence
- Have been actively rescuing and caring for wildlife for a minimum of 2 years and be able to provide evidence
- Demonstrate that the proposed project will deliver significant long-term benefits for native wildlife and has the appropriate licences/approvals
- If an individual, provide a copy of their driver's licence or other authorised form of ID (e.g. passport)
- If an organisation, provide their ABN and, if applicable, their ACNC incorporation number
- Provide a reference (must not be the applicant, a member of the applicant's immediate family, or a member of the same group or collective)
- Provide appropriate quotes for all budget lines of their proposal
- If applying for updates to, or repairs/replacement of enclosures/facilities, provide photos of existing set up. The applicant assumes full responsibility for ensuring these meet the expected requirements under the relevant state codes of practice for the species in question
- Adhere to their relevant State or Territory's wildlife rehabilitation guidelines and/or codes of practice

What is Eligible?

Projects and items supported by the WIRES National Grants Program in Tiers 1 & 2 include:

- Those that expand rescue and rehabilitation capacity at a significant scale
- Rescue and care equipment - e.g. rescue carriers, transportable pens
- Authorised training courses to increase emergency preparedness - e.g. first aid
- Water tanks, hoses, and similar items to increase emergency preparedness
- PPE for rescue and emergency response - e.g. helmets, boots, gloves, and clothing
- Emergency equipment for rescuers & carers - e.g. medical supplies, first aid kits, torches, radios
- Medical supplies for affected animals in care
- Enclosure/facilities build/installation
- Urgent repairs/upgrades to existing enclosures/facilities

What is not Eligible?

Grant funding cannot be used for the following:

- Accommodation and travel costs (including fuel)
- Perishable items including food - the WIRES website provides details for other support programs including the Woolworths and WIRES Food for Wildlife Program ([Woolworths and WIRES - Wildlife Programs - WIRES](#))
- Any form of catering
- Purchase of capital assets including property and vehicles
- Works covered by insurance or other sources of funding including other grants



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- Completed works
 - Political lobbying and advocacy
 - Legal expenses, rates, and taxes
 - Business as usual, ongoing operational expenses, including salaries
 - Compensation to wildlife rehabilitators/applicants for their own labour
 - Activities required or funded under other arrangements, unless previous agreement has been sought
 - Roadside fencing
 - Firearms and other weapons (including dart guns, captive bolt guns, ammunition and training associated with firearms use)
 - Any form of advertising that is not strictly related to project promotion (i.e. general organisation advertising)
 - Prescription medications
 - Administration or project management costs greater than 10% of the overall budget.

Please note: Contractor costs will be assessed in relation to overall value for money. Contractors must be external to the project and cannot be project collaborators or salaried staff.

Reporting Requirements

A Final Report will be due in May 2027, including:

- Receipts for items or services purchased using WIRES grant funding
- Summary of project outcomes
- *See Project Monitoring requirements below - Page 14*

Eligibility Tiers 3 & 4

Tier 3 – Environmental NGOs and Community Groups

Funds of up to \$10,000 are available for environmental NGOs, community groups, EEC's and schools where appropriate. Projects must be achieved within twelve (12) months.

Tier 4 – Consortia/Multi-partner Collaborations

Funds of up to \$20,000 are available for collaborative multi-partner projects that can be achieved within twelve (12) months. One organisation must be nominated as the Lead Organisation. Only the lead organisation can submit the application form and enter into the grant agreement with WIRES. The application should identify all other members of the proposed group and include a letter of support and the proposed contribution from each of the project partners.

The funds in these tiers include special allocations, awarded to honour three WIRES legends. See section below.



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Who is Eligible for Tier 3 & 4 projects?

The applicant must:

- Have been actively working with wildlife or their habitats for a minimum of 2 years
- Be registered as an Australian organisation with a current ABN and operate in Australia
- Provide their ABN, and, if applicable, their ACNC incorporation number. In the case of consortia, the Lead Organisation must provide their ABN
- Provide letters of support from partners including the roles/responsibilities the project partner will undertake, and the resources it will contribute (both cash and in-kind, if any)
- Provide evidence of any required consents where the proposed project site/s are not owned or managed by the applicant. Written consent is required from the property owner and/or property manager that allows for the implementation of the proposed project on each project site.
- Demonstrate organisational capacity for delivering proposed project and have the knowledge, experience and appropriate licences/permissions required
- Provide a reference (must not be the applicant, a member of the applicant's friends or family, or a member of the same group or collective)
- Provide appropriate quotes for all budget lines of their proposal
- If applying for updates to, or repairs/replacement of enclosures/facilities, provide photos of existing set up. The applicant assumes full responsibility for ensuring these meet the expected requirements under the relevant state codes of practice for the species in question
- Demonstrate that the proposed project will deliver significant long-term benefits for native wildlife and has the appropriate licences/approvals

What is Eligible?

Projects and items supported by the WIRES National Grants Program must have tangible outcomes and could include:

- Those that expand rescue and rehabilitation capacity at a significant scale
- Habitat restoration and/or enhancement including provision of supplementary shelter, nest boxes and artificial hollows
- Bush regeneration/revegetation using native plant species that are known to be indigenous to the site and represent the type of vegetation community existing on the site
- Control of invasive weed species through physical, chemical, or biological treatments (physical treatments may include cultural burning practices)
- Those that improve emergency preparedness, risk mitigation and emergency response from a wildlife rescue perspective
- Group training that leads to tangible outcomes in line with WIRES NGP objectives
- Community education and/or engagement campaigns
- Flora and fauna surveys, habitat mapping, data recording, spatial mapping and modelling but only where these form part of a project that includes tangible positive outcomes for wildlife



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- Research activities with clear, measurable benefits for native wildlife are eligible, including applied research supporting rehabilitation, conservation, disease management, habitat improvement, or best practice.

We may also approve other activities. If a proposed activity is not listed above, the need for the activity and the expected tangible outcome relating to wildlife and/or habitat needs to be demonstrated.

What is not Eligible?

Grant funding cannot be used for the following:

- Accommodation and travel costs (including fuel)
- Any form of catering
- Purchase of capital assets including property and vehicles
- Works covered by insurance or other sources of funding including other grants
- Completed works
- The covering of retrospective costs
- Political lobbying and advocacy
- Legal expenses, rates, and taxes
- Business as usual, ongoing operational expenses, including salaries
- Compensation to volunteers for their own labour
- Activities required or funded under other arrangements, unless previous agreement has been sought
- Firearms and other weapons (including dart guns, captive bolt guns, ammunition and training associated with firearms use)
- Roadside fencing
- Administration or project management costs greater than 10% of the overall budget
- Any form of advertising that is not strictly related to project promotion (i.e. general organisation advertising)
- Office and technological equipment (including laptops and printers)

Please note: Contractor costs will be assessed in relation to overall value for money. Contractors must be external to the project and cannot be project collaborators or salaried staff.

Reporting Requirements

Reports will be due on the following, and include:

- Progress Report: May 2027
- Final Report: November 2027
- Receipts for items or services purchased using WIRES grant funding for each reporting period
- Summary of progress and final outcomes on the project
- *See Project Monitoring requirements below - Page 15*



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Grant Conditions (all Tiers)

Successful applicants must:

- Read and sign the WIRES grant agreement
- Provide bank details to enable prompt grant payment
- Provide completed project risk assessment (Tier 3 & 4 only)
- Provide evidence of appropriate and current insurance (if requested)
- Provide evidence of current rescue & rehabilitation licence held by state or any other licences/approvals required (if applicable)
- Provide photos as required
- Spend all grant funds within the agreed time period
- Complete and submit reports as required
- Account for grant funds by providing copies of invoices and receipts with final reports
- Agree to ad hoc project audits

Special Grants

WIRES honour some instrumental wildlife supporters, selecting grant recipients to receive the following special awards. These special grants are titles bestowed on projects that embody the spirit of the National Grants Program and demonstrate excellence and alignment to one of our core themes, recognising one of the bellow individuals. Please note that this title does not include additional funding beyond standard grant funding of the awarded recipients.

The Mikla Lewis OAM Habitat Restoration & Enhancement Grant

When Mikla Lewis OAM founded WIRES back in 1986, little did she envisage that 40 years later the organisation would have expanded from a single branch in Sydney to 29 branches and more than 4,00 volunteers. She decided to form WIRES, with the help of a small group of people from various environmental organisations, following a report of an injured ibis in Sydney's Hyde Park when none of the existing animal welfare bodies had either the jurisdiction or the resources to implement a rescue. Mikla's foresight and knowledge led to the rescue and rehabilitation of thousands of native animals. To this day, she continues to be a dedicated WIRES volunteer. This grant will be awarded to a project, or projects, that involve habitat restoration, renovation or enhancement.

The Pat Connors Avian Grant

Pat Connors was a long-term member of WIRES. He developed WIRES first rescue and rehabilitation database and call recording system pro-bono and supported it for well over a decade. Pat's contribution enabled WIRES to provide rescue advice and assistance for more than 2 million animals since its creation. Pat sadly passed away in December 2020 and the grant is to honour Pat's outstanding contribution and his passion for birds. This grant may be awarded to one large avian project or a series of smaller avian projects.



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The Helen George OAM Mammal Grant

From the moment WIRES was founded, Helen George's expertise in wildlife rescue & care was invaluable. Helen's involvement with WIRES as a carer, trainer, and mentor lasted more than 30 years, until her passing in 2017. When WIRES received its very first call for a wombat in distress, it was Helen's advice that was sought. Over the years, Helen developed and delivered mammal training courses and trained hundreds of volunteers. This grant is a tribute to the invaluable support and expertise Helen provided to WIRES and is a nod to her particular love of wombats, macropods and bats.

How to Apply

Applications for the 2026 WIRES National Grants Program are open from 9am (AEST) 17th June 2026 and close 11:59pm (AEST) Monday 3rd August 2026 (Application Period). To apply for a WIRES Grant, applicants must meet the eligibility criteria and accurately complete the application form for the appropriate funding tier and submit on time.

Please note that due to limited funding and a competitive assessment process, not every application that meets the eligibility criteria may receive a WIRES Grant.

Application Process

Once applications open:

- Click on this link to access the WIRES Grant Portal <https://wires.grantplatform.com/>
- Create an account and log in by entering an email address into the text box under "Log in or register" and clicking **Continue**. Note: "Yes" must be selected for receiving notifications to enable confirmation of application submission.
- Read the information on the home page.
- Click on "**Start application.**"
- Select the relevant State/Territory.
- Select "**WIRES National Grants Program 2026**" and then the appropriate tier.
- If leaving a partially completed application, select '**Save + close**' and log out.
- The application can be accessed again later and edited until ready for submission.
- To submit the application, select the '**Submit application**' button. Once selected, no further changes can be made.
- A confirmation email will be issued once the application has been successfully received. If no email is received, check the junk mail folder.



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Application support

Applicants are strongly encouraged to attend an online information session. These will provide essential information for developing and writing the application and give an opportunity to ask questions.

WIRES National Grants Program webinars will be held:

- Daytime session: 12.30pm (AEST) 24th June 2026
- Evening session: 7.30pm (AEST) 30th June 2026

Please take the time to ensure to only submit an application if all the conditions listed are met.

It is the applicant's responsibility to ensure that the email address provided in the application is monitored regularly. If the organisation contact or project lead changes after submission, applicants must notify WIRES by emailing grants@wires.org.au.

For questions about the application process email grants@wires.org.au or contact us via (02) 8977 3346.

Assessment

All applications will be assessed by the Assessment Panel under the following criteria:

- Consistency with WIRES priority objectives and eligibility criteria
- Tangible improvements in outcomes for native wildlife and their habitats
- Need of the proposal, relative to other proposals
- Project quality and achievability
- Project sustainability beyond the current funding opportunity
- Degree of collaboration
- Geographic diversity
- Value for money
- Applicant experience, expertise and professionalism
- Compliance with previous funding opportunities
- Ability to raise awareness of the identified issue and its solution(s)

Following assessment, WIRES will advise grantees of the outcome of their application in writing. If successful, we will advise of any specific conditions attached to the grant.

If unsuccessful, there may be opportunity to discuss the applications outcome, however individual feedback cannot be guaranteed.

Please note, WIRES may not notify unsuccessful applicants until grant agreements have been executed with successful applicants.



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Grant Agreement and Payment

WIRES requires successful applicants to complete and return a grant agreement, along with bank account details, evidence of relevant insurances and a project risk assessment (for applicable tiers). We must execute a grant agreement prior before any grant payments being made. An executed agreement means both the applicant and WIRES have signed the agreement. WIRES is not responsible for any expenditure incurred until a grant agreement is executed.

For Tier 1 & 2 projects, grant funding is release upon execution of the grant agreement in full. For Tier 3 & 4 projects, a payment schedule will be defined for each project. Funding for projects may be released in a staged process, with an initial payment made at the commencement of the project and subsequent payments processed upon receipt of progress and final reports.

WIRES NGP funding amounts are exclusive of GST. If registered for GST, grantees may be eligible to claim for GST paid on project-related expenses as grants are generally considered assessable income for taxation purposes unless exempted under taxation law. Grantees are responsible for determining their own taxation obligations. WIRES recommends seeking independent professional advice or contacting the Australian Taxation Office. WIRES does not provide taxation advice.

Project Monitoring

Keeping us informed

Grantees should inform WIRES if anything is likely to affect their organisation or their ability to complete their project as agreed.

Grantees must also inform us of any changes to:

- Name
- Addresses
- Nominated contact details
- Bank account details

If the grantee becomes aware of a breach of terms and conditions under the grant agreement they must contact us immediately.

Project Variation Requests

We recognise that unexpected events may affect project progress. In these circumstances, it is acceptable to request a variation to the grant agreement.

If changes to the project need to be proposed, including the agreed budget and timeline, grantees must request a variation BEFORE the project end date. **All variations must be confirmed in writing by WIRES prior to implementing any project changes.**



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Reporting

Grantees must submit reports in line with the grant agreement.

We will expect reports on:

- progress against agreed project milestones
- project expenditure, including expenditure of grant funds. All receipts and invoices **must** be retained for the duration of the project.

The amount of detail in the reports will be relative to the project size, complexity, and grant amount.

We will monitor the progress of projects by assessing reports submitted and we may conduct project audits to confirm details of the reports if necessary. Occasionally we may need to re-examine claims, seek further information, or request an independent audit of claims and payments.

Any delays to project delivery or milestone reporting must be communicated as soon as they are identified by contacting grants@wires.org.au. All reports must be submitted via the Good Grants platform through which the application was completed.

Funding Acknowledgement

All recipients of WIRES funding are required to acknowledge WIRES.

Funding made available by WIRES is designed to improve outcomes for Australian wildlife and to positively impact the wildlife rescue and rehabilitation sector nationally. Acknowledging the funding support received for vital projects is essential to demonstrate the impact of the National Grants Program.

At a minimum grantees are expected to acknowledge WIRES as a project funder on their website and/or social media channels. Inclusion is also expected in any project related media releases or printed materials where applicable.

Grantees are authorised to acknowledge WIRES funding as follows: *This project was proudly supported by the WIRES National Grants Program.*

Any other references to WIRES and/or WIRES funding need to be pre-approved. WIRES should also be notified about any public statements made in relation to the project and project funding. Opportunities to collaborate with WIRES on shared media and promotion about successful projects are also available. Please email updates and enquiries to grants@wires.org.au.

Please note that acknowledgement of WIRES is a condition of the funding.



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Logo Use

Any and all promotional materials, print media, digital media (websites, blogs, social media etc.) used in promotion of the grant should also include the WIRES logo, in line with [WIRES National Grants Program logo use guidelines](#). The logo's colour, shape, form, font or design must not be modified in any way. All instances & usage of the logo should be forwarded for approval prior to publication to marketing@wires.org.au and grants@wires.org.au with the subject heading "WNGP Logo Approval". WIRES will endeavour to reply & grant approval or feedback within 48 hours upon receipt. Please factor this process in any application or usage of the logo.

The logo must not be used to give the impression WIRES has published a product or endorsed another organisation without prior approval or consultation.

Social Media

Tagging WIRES on social media, where character limits allow, will help us cross-promote projects and share stories with our wider community. Please use the following handles and hashtags:

ACCOUNTS

Instagram: @wireswildliferescue

Facebook: @WIRES.wildlife.rescue

LinkedIn: @wireswildliferescue

X: @WIRESWildlife

OFFICIAL HASHTAGS:

#WIRESNGP

#WIRESWildlifeRescue

Frequently Asked Questions

Can I apply if I have received a WIRES grant in the past?

Yes, however priority will be given to those applicants who have not received a WIRES grant in the past two years. Applicants with outstanding acquittals from previous grants are ineligible for further funding until all reporting requirements are met.

Can I apply if I am currently receiving funding from WIRES?

Organisations or individuals with active WIRES grants are ineligible for further funding, until the current grant is acquitted.

Can we submit more than one application?

Yes, more than one application from one organisation can be accepted but please keep in mind that funding available for projects per organisation is limited.

Can I submit my application after the closing date?

No, late applications will not be considered for funding unless there are extreme extenuating circumstances.



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How do I apply for a grant?

See above section “How to Apply for a Grant”

Can I send a hard copy or email application?

No, all applications must be submitted through the WIRES Grant Portal.

How will I know if my application has been received by WIRES?

If “Yes” was selected to receive application notifications, an automatically generated email will be issued upon successful submission of the application.

Please note that email firewall settings may block the confirmation email. Check the spam or junk mail folder. If uncertainty remains regarding whether the application has been submitted successfully, contact the WIRES Programs Team.

When will I be notified if my application is successful?

Successful applicants will be notified as per key dates above. WIRES may not notify unsuccessful applicants until grant agreements have been executed with successful applicants.

Please ensure that the email address provided on the application is checked regularly.

Who decides which projects get funding?

WIRES is committed to ensuring that the assessment process is fair and transparent. The process is as follows:

1. WIRES will conduct an eligibility check. Applications that are incomplete or ineligible will not progress.
2. Applications that are complete and eligible will be collated according to funding tiers.
3. These collated applications will be assessed by the Assessment Panel.
4. Successful and unsuccessful applicants will be notified in writing.

How will my submission be assessed?

Applications will be assessed against the WIRES Assessment Criteria and in comparison with other proposals within the same funding tier. Applications receiving the highest scores and aligning with funding priorities will be successful.

If my application is successful, when will I receive my grant distribution?

Once the signed grant agreement, required documentation, and bank account details are received, WIRES will pay the agreed amount into the nominated account and provide written notification.

How do I report on my grant?

WIRES will provide notification when it is time to complete a progress or final report. Reporting is undertaken through the WIRES Grant Portal.

What do I do if my project is not completed before the final report is due?

We understand that occasionally there are delays to projects. Please contact the WIRES Programs team at the earliest possible time to discuss any project or reporting delays.



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If further information is required after reading our FAQs, please email grants@wires.org.au

WE WISH YOU ALL THE BEST WITH YOUR APPLICATION & THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME

