CERA Disaster Fund Grant Guidelines

Round 1: Applications close 5pm AEST 5 June 2020

Catholic Emergency Relief Australia has received donations from across Australia since its launch in February 2020.

Support from individuals, schools, and organisations, as well as significant donations from the Vietnamese Catholic community in Sydney, the Sisters of the Holy Faith religious congregation and the Archbishop of Kuala Lumpur, have enabled CERA to open a grants funding round to support communities most dramatically affected by the bushfires.

The support is for local not-for-profit organisations and community groups that are delivering locally-led projects and activities to support people in their recovery as a result of the 2019/2020 bushfires.

Through the provision of grants, the aim of this program is to address a range of needs including, but not limited, to:
- Grief and trauma counselling
- Mental health and wellbeing; and
- Community activities that strengthen volunteer community groups and their activities.

Funding Available

This funding round of $100,000 will provide grants from $1,000 to $25,000 to support the recovery of communities affected by the 2019/2020 bushfires. Future funding rounds will depend upon donations received.

Round 1: Applications received between 13 May 2020 and 5 June 2020 will be assessed, with outcomes announced on 15 June 2020.

Applicant Eligibility

Who can apply?
- Community-based organisations operating in regional and rural areas of Australia in a Local Government Area (LGA) with a bushfire disaster declaration from September 2019 to February 2020;
- Organisations with an ABN or Incorporation Certificate;
- CERA funding must be for charitable purposes, so projects that support core business and areas of responsibility of federal, state and local governments are ineligible.

An organisation is eligible to submit one application per grant round.

All eligible applications are considered by CERA's grants approval panel on their merit. Applications are assessed based on the documentation received at the time of application.

Projects funded should be undertaken within a period of 12 months from receipt of funds.

CERA Grant Application

CONTACT INFORMATION

Organisation	
Contact Person	
Email Address	
Telephone	
Project title	
Total Project Cost	
Amount sought	

Briefly describe your project

Where will your project take place? (please include bushfire-affected localities)

What difference are you hoping your project will make to your community? How will it support local community recovery from the 2019/2020 bushfires? Who will benefit? (It is helpful for us to know if you are targeting specific groups.)

Who else are you working with in this project and do you have any other funding sources available? (This is helpful for us to understand especially if this request for funds is contributing to a larger project.)

Does your project involve working directly with children/young people under 18 years? _____

Does your organisation have policies and procedures for handling child abuse complaints, e.g. Working with Children Checks etc? _____

Project Budget (please attach additional details)

INCOME sources	
In-kind contributions	
TOTAL	
EXPENDITURE	
TOTAL	

When will this project be completed?

Is there anything else you would like to tell us about your project?

Attachments: (please list any attachments or links here)

Applicant Name: _____ Applicant Signature : _____

Date: _____

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