



FundAssist is a leading consulting firm providing expert funding assistance services to local governments and community groups throughout regional Australia.

There are literally hundreds of grant funding opportunities but finding out what they are and preparing strong applications can be time consuming and difficult. Add to this the fact that most grant funding programs are very competitive and it is little wonder that many people struggle or just give up. The result...those who need funding the most often miss out.

We can help you in all aspects of the funding process at whatever stage you need help – whether it is planning your project(s) and your funding strategies, identifying applicable funding programs, developing funding submissions and briefings promoting your project, preparing grant applications, or completing project management and reporting requirements after you have received funding.

Our funding services have assisted many clients with a wide range of projects - some examples are shown below.

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Some of our Past Projects

Funding Applications, Submissions, Briefing Notes

<i>Project - Client</i>	<i>Work Description</i>
Allora Action Development Fund - Allora Action Association Inc (Allora, Qld)	Funding application seeking circa \$18k funding for integrated planning of a suite of community development projects at Allora.
Cabarita Beach Fishing Competition - Greenback Taylor Fishing Competition Inc (Cabarita Beach, NSW)	Funding application (EOI) to Tourism NSW Regional Flagship Events Sponsorship Program seeking funding towards the running costs of the Greenback Taylor Fishing Competition - one of the largest and most renowned beach fishing competitions in Australia and the largest charity fishing competition in Australia.
Central Queensland Environmental Management Systems Tender - Central Queensland Area Consultative Committee	Funding application/tender for the delivery of environmental management services by the CQACC under the Environmental Management Systems – National Pilot Program. Included additional assistance in the development of the proposed business/service model.
Central Western Queensland Regional Waste Management Initiative - Longreach Shire Council (Longreach, Qld)	Funding application seeking \$425k towards integrated waste management facilities and equipment to accommodate regional needs. The project comprised purchase and installation of a tyre shredder, cardboard baler and construction of a large recycling shed/transfer station (total project value circa \$1.1M).
Clermont Granite Industry Creation Study - Belyando Economic Development Group Inc (Clermont, Qld)	Funding application seeking circa \$50k towards the cost of a study to: investigate the practical and financial feasibility of developing a granite mining and processing operation in the Clermont district; investigate the potential for associated value-adding opportunities; and develop a framework for encouraging private investment.

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Clermont and District Tourism Industry Development Strategy - Belyando Shire Council (Moranbah, Qld)	Funding application seeking circa \$40k in Commonwealth funding towards a Tourism & Marketing Development Strategy for Clermont and district. The aims of the Strategy were to: examine tourism markets and identify target markets; identify promotional methods to attract target markets; assess existing tourist facilities and resources; and provide recommendations about how to best develop tourism assets (including preliminary design drawings and development cost estimates).
Cooloola Cove Community Recreational Park Stage 1 - Cooloola Cove People Power Inc (Cooloola Cove, Qld)	Funding application seeking circa \$70k towards the development of extensive walking trails; installation of children's' play equipment; and purchase of gardening and lawn maintenance equipment.
Cooloola Cove Community Recreation Park Stage 2 - Cooloola Cove People Power Inc (Cooloola Cove, Qld)	Funding application seeking circa \$25k towards the installation adult recreational equipment ('fitness track') in the park.
Development Planning Study for the Tiaro Freshwater Research and Education Centre (part 1)- Tiaro Shire Council (Tiaro, Qld)	Funding application seeking circa \$30k in Commonwealth funding towards the cost of a development plan for the proposed Tiaro Freshwater Research & Education Centre. The aim of the plan being to investigate the practical and financial issues in establishment of the proposed Centre and provide recommendations about optimal development to capitalise on apparent tourism and education opportunities.
Development Planning Study for the Tiaro Freshwater Research and Education Centre (part 2) - Tiaro Shire Council (Tiaro, Qld)	Funding application seeking circa \$10k in State funding towards the cost of a development plan for the proposed Tiaro Freshwater Research and Education Centre. The aim of the plan being to investigate the practical and financial issues in establishment of the proposed Centre and provide recommendations about optimal development to capitalise on apparent tourism and education opportunities.
Economic Model for Northern NSW - Tweed Economic Development Corporation Ltd (Tweed Heads, NSW)	Funding application seeking circa \$180k towards the cost of developing an innovative economic modelling tool to support the identification and evaluation of socioeconomic development projects and business development initiatives in northern NSW (incorporating the Local Government Areas of Tweed, Ballina, Byron, Kyogle, and Lismore). Total project value \$250k.
Equipment & Facilities for Greenvale P&C - Greenvale Parents & Citizens Association Inc (Greenvale, Qld)	Funding application seeking circa \$20k towards equipment and facilities for the Greenvale P&C for a variety of school and community projects. Items included a DVD player, projector and sound system for movies for the local community; a garden/storage shed for a Bush Garden project; and a shade structure for the playground area.
Far North NSW Gambling Support Centre - Anglican Church Parish of Kingscliff (Kingscliff, NSW)	Funding application seeking circa \$150k over 3 years for the establishment and operation of a Gambling Support Centre in northern NSW. The Centre was to act as a primary contact point for those seeking help on problem gambling; providing professional gambling counseling, information and referral to other support services.
Heritage Precinct Developments at the Historic Port of Echuca - Campaspe Shire Council (Echuca, Vic)	Funding applications to the Community Support Fund and the Regional Infrastructure Development Fund seeking circa \$210k towards the cost of capital works at the heritage-listed Port of Echuca – one of Victoria's premier tourism attractions. Works included: improvements in footpath access, car park access, playground access; new accessible toilets; gardens and beautification works; and renovations to the historic Permewan Wright building.
Ilfracombe Romani Hall Restoration - Ilfracombe Shire Council (Ilfracombe, Qld)	Funding application to the Queensland Dept of Works seeking \$14k to re-stump Romani Hall and upgrade the two honour rolls in the Hall
Ilfracombe Memorial Park Gates Restoration - Ilfracombe Shire Council (Ilfracombe, Qld)	Funding application to the Queensland Dept of Works seeking \$14k towards refurbishment of the entry gates to the Memorial Park at Ilfracombe.
Ilfracombe Pool Shade & Surface - Ilfracombe Sport & Recreation Association (Ilfracombe, Qld)	Funding application seeking circa \$15k towards the cost of erecting shade over the spa and pool and painting of a non-slip surface around the pool.
Mitchell Memorial Pool and Artesian Spa Complex Upgrade - Booringa Shire Council (Mitchell, Qld)	Funding application seeking circa \$355k towards upgrades and extensions of the spa and pool complex (total project value circa \$1M). Included development of the EOI and the full application.

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Injune Multi Purpose Centre (part 1) - Bungil Shire Council (Roma, Qld)	Funding application seeking \$130k in State funding towards the construction Injune Multi Purpose Centre which included: a new building comprising art/craft gallery, outdoor theatre and stage, offices for visiting service providers, museum, visitor information centre; and extensions to the adjacent town hall and public toilets (total project value circa \$1.5M).
Injune Multi Purpose Centre (part 2) - Bungil Shire Council (Roma, Qld)	Funding application seeking \$495k in Commonwealth funding towards the construction of the Injune Multi Purpose Centre which included: a new building comprising art/craft gallery, outdoor theatre and stage, offices for visiting service providers, museum, visitor information centre; and extensions to the adjacent town hall and public toilets (total project value circa \$1.5M).
Isisford Shire History (part 1) - Isisford Shire Historical Association (Isisford, Qld)	Funding application seeking around \$40k in State funding development of a book dealing with the history of the district to be researched by a professional historian and author working with community groups and culminating in a published work (total project value \$146k).
Isisford Shire History (part 2) - Isisford Shire Council (Isisford, Qld)	Funding application seeking around \$40k in Commonwealth funding for the development of a book dealing with the history of the district to be researched by a professional historian and author working with community groups and culminating in a published work (total project value \$146k).
Longreach Aquatic Centre Upgrade (part 1) - Longreach Shire Council (Longreach, Qld)	Funding application to Qld Dept of Sport & Recreation's Major Facilities Program seeking \$1.5M towards Longreach Aquatic Centre upgrades Stage 1 (total project value \$3.4M). The project involved a new (Olympic standard) 50x25m pool; new water treatment plant, plant room and equipment store room; and pool heating initiatives – modification of existing pool blankets, new pool blankets. Included development of the EOI.
Longreach Aquatic Centre Upgrade (part 2) - Longreach Shire Council (Longreach, Qld)	Funding application to the Regional Partnerships Program seeking \$560k towards the upgrade of the Longreach Aquatic Centre (total project value \$3.4M). The project involved the existing new (Olympic standard) 50x25m pool; new water treatment plant, plant room and equipment store room; and pool heating initiatives – modification of existing pool blankets, new pool blankets. Included development of the EOI and electronic lodgement.
Longreach Saleyards Upgrade - Submission - Longreach Shire Council (Longreach, Qld)	Development of a detailed report/ submission providing information concerning the need for funding towards infrastructure upgrades of the saleyards. A briefing note providing a summary of the project was also prepared.
Longreach Saleyards Upgrade - Application - Longreach Shire Council (Longreach, Qld)	Funding application seeking \$313k in funding towards upgrade of saleyards infrastructure – the Longreach Saleyards being a major regional selling centre. Included completion of EOI, full application, and electronic lodgement. Total project value approx \$650k.
Multi-level Participatory Family Support Program - Newlife Care Inc (Robina, Qld)	Funding application seeking circa \$148k over 3 years towards a Multi-level Participatory Family Support Program (principally covering the southern Gold Coast region) involving delivery of family education programs, family counselling and referral to specialist support. The objective being to provide a holistic range of family and parenting education and support services to strengthen families and prevention, early intervention and specialist support to prevent and redress family problems. Included electronic lodgement.
New Apprenticeships Assistance Program Tender for the Central Highlands - Central Highlands Development Corporation (Emerald, Qld)	Detailed application/tender to the New Apprenticeships Assistance Program seeking funding for the implementation of regional apprenticeship training and placement strategies to be conducted by CHDC in partnership with the Emerald Agricultural College.
Office Equipment - Mackay and Whitsundays Regional Economic Development Corporation (Mackay, Qld)	Complete review of and assistance in the development of a funding application seeking approximately \$20k funding for office equipment.

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Outer Barcoo Interpretation Centre Stage 1 (part 1) - Isisford Shire Council (Isisford, Qld)	Funding application seeking circa \$180k in State funding towards the construction cost of the Outer Barcoo Interpretation Centre – a proposed tourism attraction also offering community use benefits (total project value \$1.3M).
Outer Barcoo Interpretation Centre Stage 1 (part 2) - Isisford Shire Council (Isisford, Qld)	Funding application seeking circa \$250k in Commonwealth funding towards the construction cost of the Outer Barcoo Interpretation Centre – a proposed tourism attraction also offering community use benefits (total project value \$1.3M). Included development of the EOI, full application and then electronic lodgement on the TRAX system.
Outer Barcoo Interpretation Centre Stage 2 - Isisford Shire Council (Isisford, Qld)	Funding application seeking circa \$76k towards the construction cost (key internal fit out items) of the Outer Barcoo Interpretation Centre – a proposed tourism attraction which also offering community use benefits (total project value \$1.3M). Included electronic lodgement.
Roma Beef Interpretive Centre (Feasibility and Concept Design) - Roma-Bungil Showgrounds & Saleyards Board (Roma, Qld)	Funding application seeking circa \$45k funding towards the cost of planning saleyards upgrades and the proposed Beef Interpretive Centre (a multi-use community, industry and tourist facility).
Roma Saleyards Upgrade Submission and Briefing Note – Roma-Bungil Showgrounds & Saleyards Board (Roma, Qld)	Development of a detailed report/ submission providing information concerning the need for funding towards infrastructure upgrades of the saleyards. A briefing note providing a summary of the project was also prepared.
Pinaroo Roma Aged Care Facility Carpark – Pinaroo Roma Inc (Roma, Qld)	Funding application seeking circa \$50k funding towards sealing and lighting of the car park area at Pinaroo Roma Aged Care facility – total project cost circa \$61k..
Roma Tennis Courts Repairs - Roma & District Tennis Club Inc (Roma, Qld)	Funding application seeking circa \$25k funding towards the cost of essential repairs and maintenance works to the 'ant bed' court surfaces at the Roma tennis courts (one of the key tennis facilities in the region) supporting fixtures, training and competitions.
Tambo Post Acute Care an Respite Centre - Tambo Community Care Organisation Inc (Tambo, Qld)	Funding application seeking circa \$57k towards the capital cost of developing a Post Acute Care and Respite Centre primarily for the short-term accommodation of persons requiring basic post-acute care and support, as well as for short term respite care of older persons and people with disabilities.
Tweed River Festival - Tweed River Festival Committee (Murwillumbah, NSW)	Funding application seeking funding towards the cost of running the Tweed River Festival - a week-long program of events focussing on the Tweed River and district held annually from around the 23 rd of November. The Festival had been running for the last 2 years and has proven a highly popular event with the community and visitors.
Structural Adjustment Assistance Package for Western Qld and NSW – Southern Inland Queensland ACC & Central Queensland ACC	Detailed submission seeking some \$20M in funding towards a structural adjustment package for remote and disadvantaged communities western NSW and Queensland (23 Local Governments covered). The submission provided a summary of key regional issues, details of key socioeconomic indicators and an overview of individual Local Government Areas. A briefing note providing a summary of the project was also prepared.
Western Queensland School Transportation - Central Queensland Area Consultative Committee (Rockhampton, Qld)	Funding application seeking circa \$195k in Commonwealth funding for the purchase of 3 Land cruiser Troop Carriers for use by school children and the wider community in the Shires of Diamantina, Barcoo and Isisford.
Western Queensland Regional Strategies and Implementation Structures Study - Remote Area Planning and Development Board Inc. (Longreach, Qld)	Funding application seeking circa \$65k towards the cost of a regional development plan to identify: development priorities that are amenable to a regional approach; actions to address regional development priorities; opportunities to enhance responses through cooperative arrangements between the participating Local authorities; and the organizational structure and role of RAPAD and its staff.

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Funding Planning, Reporting and Other

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Alligator Milling Systems Business Expansion Project – Funding Planning - Alligator Australia P/L (Brisbane, Qld)	Searches and reports on funding opportunities available for proposed expansion in milling systems plant and operations. Report included: detailed description of potentially applicable funding programs (including purpose/objective, eligibility criteria, key assessment criteria, funding available, timing), contacts for further information and notes on specific items of relevance to the program and project under consideration.
Arts Development Projects – Funding Planning - Arts & Cultural Development Council WA (Geraldton, WA)	Searches and reports on funding opportunities available for proposed arts and cultural development projects. Report included: detailed description of potentially applicable funding programs (including purpose/objective, eligibility criteria, key assessment criteria, funding available, timing), contacts for further information and notes on specific items of relevance to the program and project under consideration.
Australian Rural Youth Funding Training Workshop - Australian Rural Youth Inc (Melbourne, Vic)	Delivery of a funding training workshop to the Australian Rural Youth national conference held in Melbourne.
Far North NSW Crop Commercialisation Project – Funding Planning - Northern Rivers Agricultural Development Association Inc. (Murwillumbah, NSW)	Searches and reports on funding opportunities available for new crop commercialization initiatives in Northern NSW. Report included: detailed description of potentially applicable funding programs (including purpose/objective, eligibility criteria, key assessment criteria, funding available, timing), contacts for further information and notes on specific items of relevance to the program and project under consideration.
Injune Multi Purpose Community Centre – Briefing Note– Bungil Shire Council (Roma, Qld)	Briefing note providing information on all key aspects of the proposed Injune Multi Purpose Community Centre for presentations and information seminars.
Great Artesian Basin Interpretive Centre (Tourism Business Development Plan) – McKinlay Shire Council (Julia Creek, Qld)	Development of an Investment Brief to support efforts by the Council in attracting private investment into the GABIC project and associated components. The overall project involved the formulation of an integrated plan for the development of a large tourist attraction in Julia Creek (the Great Artesian Basin Interpretive Centre) and for the development of associated tourism businesses such as motels, tours and so on.
Injune Tourism Business Development Strategy – Funding Planning – Bungil Shire Council (Roma, Qld)	Engaged in development of the Strategy (comprising architects, town planners, tourism consultants, regional development consultants, and graphic design specialists) to: identify funding opportunities for the implementation of strategy elements; and provide tactical advice in positioning the project to maximise funding outcomes.
Intrak Train Navigation Control System Business Commercialisation – Funding Planning - Intrak P/L (Sydney, NSW)	Searches and reports on funding opportunities available for commercial trials of an innovative train navigation and safety system. Report included: detailed description of potentially applicable funding programs (including purpose/objective, eligibility criteria, key assessment criteria, funding available, timing), contacts for further information and notes on specific items of relevance to the program and project under consideration.
Injune Multi Purpose Centre – Project Information Report – Bungil Shire Council (Roma, Qld)	Report providing additional information on various aspects of the project in response to a request by funding agencies. A briefing note was also prepared providing a summary of all the key aspects of the project.
Injune Multi Purpose Centre – Investigation of RP Program Appeal Processes – Bungil Shire Council (Roma, Qld)	Research and reporting on the assessment process concerning the Bungil Shire Council's application to the Regional Partnerships Program for funding for a proposed Multi Purpose Centre at Injune. Evaluation and reporting of appeal processes and other avenues for securing desired funding outcomes.
Injune Multi Purpose Centre – RP Program Appeal – Bungil Shire Council (Roma, Qld)	Completion of a detailed report requesting a review of the Minister's funding decision. Completion of associated work such as FOI request and letters to various departmental representatives requesting feedback on the application assessment.

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Isisford Shire History – Funding Planning - Isisford Shire Council (Isisford, Qld)	Searches and reports on funding opportunities available for proposed book detailing the history of the Isisford district. Report included: detailed description of potentially applicable funding programs (including purpose/objective, eligibility criteria, key assessment criteria, funding available, timing), contacts for further information and notes on specific items of relevance to the program and project under consideration.
Mary K Development Strategy (Tourism Business Development Plan) – Cloncurry Shire Council (Cloncurry, Qld)	Identification and reporting on opportunities for funding the proposed development works. A 'generic' funding submission was also prepared providing a template for future funding applications associated with the project. The overall project involved the development of an integrated plan for the further development of the Mary Kathleen Memorial Park & Museum.
Nebo Tourism & Community Facility – Funding Planning - Nebo Shire Council (Nebo, Qld)	Searches and reports on funding opportunities available for development of a proposed tourist and community facility at Nebo. Report included: detailed description of potentially applicable funding programs (including purpose/objective, eligibility criteria, key assessment criteria, funding available, timing), contacts for further information and notes on specific items of relevance to the program and project under consideration.
Outback Outlook Conference Training Workshop - McKinlay Shire Council (Julia Creek, Qld)	Delivery of funding training workshop at Outback Outlook Conference held in Julia Creek.
Outer Barcoo Interpretation Centre – Funding Planning - Isisford Shire Council (Isisford, Qld)	Searches and reports on funding opportunities available for development of the proposed Outer Barcoo Interpretation Centre at Isisford. Report included: detailed description of potentially applicable funding programs (including purpose/objective, eligibility criteria, key assessment criteria, funding available, timing), contacts for further information and notes on specific items of relevance to the program and project under consideration.
Queensland Dept of Local Govt., Planning, Sport & Recreation Programs Discussion Paper Response – Ilfracombe Shire Council (Ilfracombe, Qld)	The Queensland Department of Local Government, Planning, Sport & Recreation issued a Discussion Paper concerning the delivery of their grant programs. These programs, particularly the Rural Living Infrastructure Program, had been very useful to the Ilfracombe Shire Council over the years so their continuation was desired. The response paper provided examples of the effectiveness of various programs used by the ISC and offered comments on how to improve program delivery.
Roma Saleyards Upgrade Project – Funding Planning - Roma-Bungil Showgrounds & Saleyards Board	Searches and reports on funding opportunities available for infrastructure upgrades at the Roma Saleyards. Report included: detailed description of potentially applicable funding programs (including purpose/objective, eligibility criteria, key assessment criteria, funding available, timing), contacts for further information and notes on specific items of relevance to the program and project under consideration.
Tweed Art Gallery Extension Project – Funding Planning - Tweed Art Gallery Foundation Inc. (Murwillumbah, NSW)	Searches and reports on funding opportunities available for the extension of the Tweed Regional Art Gallery. Report included: detailed description of potentially applicable funding programs (including purpose/objective, eligibility criteria, key assessment criteria, funding available, timing), contacts for further information and notes on specific items of relevance to the program and project under consideration.
Western Queensland Funding Training Workshop - Remote Area Planning & Development Board (Longreach, Qld)	Delivery of funding training for staff and community members from region interested in funding issues (conducted at Windorah).