



Communities and Caregivers giving children the best possible start and opportunities in life.

Communities for Children Launceston East Tamar Site

Communities for Children is funded by the Australian Government and facilitated by Anglicare Tasmania.

Funding Application Process 2012-2014

About Communities for Children

The Launceston East Tamar Communities for Children Program is funded by the Australian Government's Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs (FaHCSIA) under the Family Support Program and is facilitated by Anglicare Tasmania.

Communities for Children aims to ensure that children up to age 12 have the best possible start and opportunities in life by focusing on targeted early intervention approaches that bring about positive family functioning, safety and child development outcomes for children and their families, particularly those who are vulnerable, disadvantaged or in disadvantaged circumstances, and strengthen local service networks that contribute to child safety.

Eligibility to Apply

Applications are sought from child and family service providers aiming to deliver positive and sustainable outcomes for at risk children and families in the Launceston and the East Tamar communities of Waverley, Ravenswood, Mowbray, Invermay, Mayfield, Newnham, Rocherlea, Dilston, Hillwood, Mount Direction, and George Town.

Applications are welcome from applicants who are current, new or past recipients of Communities for Children funding.

The applicant must be an incorporated body, or similar, with an Australian Business Number (ABN).

Available Funds

A funding pool of \$500,000 per annum will be distributed.

Communities for Children funding is for part or all of the period 1 July 2012 - 30 June 2014.

The geographic spread of proposed activities will also be taken into account, to ensure that communities throughout the Launceston East Tamar site will benefit from the program.

Application Process

1. Read the supplied Communities for Children 2012-2014 Information Pack
2. Complete the Communities for Children 2012-2014 Application Form, being sure to fully, clearly and accurately complete each section:

Section A: Community Organisation Details

Section B: Proposed Activity Details

Section C: Project Budget

Attachment: Budget Template (Microsoft Office Excel document)

Section D: Activity Monitoring and Evaluation

3. Ensure that the Declaration is signed by an authorised person.



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Submitting Your Application

Completed applications are to be submitted to Lisa Mies, Coordinator Children and Families either:

1. by email to:
cfcevents@anglicare-tas.org.au (preferred method) or
2. post to:
Activity Proposal - Communities for Children
Anglicare Tasmania
122 Elizabeth Street
Launceston TAS 7250

Closing Date

Submissions close 5pm Tuesday, 28 February 2012.

No late submissions will be considered.

Selection process

1. A selection panel, comprising the Facilitating Partner (Anglicare) and Site Committee, will assess each application according to the following criteria:
 - a. alignment of the proposed activity with the objectives of Communities for Children
 - b. understanding of the needs of vulnerable children and families in the target community
 - c. capacity to engage with the target group and deliver the proposed activity/ies on time and within budget
 - d. plan to work collaboratively with other local organisations and services to engage and support vulnerable children and families
2. The selection panel will then submit the selection report and recommended applications to FaHCSIA for approval.

Notification of Outcome

The Facilitating Partner will notify applicants of the outcome in May 2012.

Unsuccessful applicants will be offered a feedback interview with the Facilitating Partner.

If you are unsuccessful in this funding round, you may apply for funding if future opportunities arise.



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Completing Your Application

Please observe the word limits specified in parts of the Application Form.

Section A: Community Organisation Details

Each question must be answered.

Section B: Proposed Activity Details

This section is your opportunity to tell the selection panel how your proposed activity will meet the objectives of the program.

The Facilitating Partner will be assessing the proposed activities for how well they address one or more of the following priority areas:

1. Healthy young families, early learning and care
2. Supporting families and parents
3. Child friendly communities and reducing disadvantage through social inclusion
4. Family and children's services work effectively as a system

The activities must address the needs of the most vulnerable children and families in the community. 12 Target groups are listed on the form. Of these, the activities engaging the following groups are particularly sought:

1. Aboriginal children and families
2. pregnant teens and young parents
3. fathers

Section C – Activity Budget

This section:

1. assists applicants in identifying the budgetary requirements of the proposed activity/ies and
2. ensures that there is enough information for the selection panel to assess the feasibility of the proposal and whether the funds will be spent in accordance with the program objectives.

Complete the Budget Template included in your Information Pack prior to filling in the Budget Summary table in Section C. The template is a Microsoft Office Excel document with embedded formulae to assist.

Section D - Activity Monitoring and Evaluation

In addition to the delivery of your proposed activity/ies, you will be required to meet the following:

1. Submit six monthly FaHCSIA Activity and Financial Reports
2. Representation at Communities for Children events:
 - a. Conference in 2012
 - b. Children's Expo in 2014
3. Staff attendance at Professional Development/Training events as determined by the Facilitating Partner – approximately one per quarter
4. Collection of information and data to inform the Communities for Children Site Evaluation 2012-2014.

The Facilitating Partner's Project Officer will meet with you regularly to provide support and ensure that you are meeting your contractual obligations.