

Title:	Grant Opportunity – Gambling Community Benefit Fund (GCBF) Round 123 (Closing 28 February 2025)
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Summary:	Grant Opportunity – Gambling Community Benefit Fund (GCBF) Round 123 (Closing 28 February 2025)
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The Gambling Community Benefit Fund Rd 123 is now open, closing midnight Friday, 28 February 2025.

Funding of **up to \$35,000** is available for a wide variety of items, including community events/training; equipment (including medical equipment); facility improvements; machinery; printing/publications/marketing; solar; vehicles/boats; workshops/conferences.

Applications are prioritised by the GCBF Committee in the following order (1 has highest priority):

- 1. Items/facilities directly affected, damaged or destroyed by a <u>declared natural disaster in the last two</u> years
- 2. Equipment or facility improvement
- 3. Buses, cars, caravans, boats, tractors, trailers, large mowers, motorbikes and similar items
- 4. Community events, training, workshops, festivals, publications and website development
- 5. Organisations that have received more than \$15,000 from GCBF within the last two years

KEY INFORMATION

- Organisations may only have one application pending at a time, i.e. you cannot submit another application
 while you are awaiting the result of an application submitted in a previous round. No resubmits will be
 considered
- Organisations must wait a one round exclusion period after the acquittal has been accepted by the
 department and the grant is considered closed. For example, your application was closed by the
 department on 12 December, you can't apply in the current funding round, however, you can apply in the
 next round, closing 30 June 2025
- The GCBF Committee also considers the following when deciding how to distribute funding:
 - Financial position of the organisation
 - Age of the organisation
 - Value for money
 - Other contributions (financially or in-kind) towards the items
 - Whether the organisation can generate income
 - Benefits to more than one organisation
 - Number of applications by the same sponsor
 - Location of the organisation and benefits to the region
 - Target group that's being assisted
 - Government priorities identified by the Minister.

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- Organisations must update and review their registration details annually and every time they
 apply. Failure to do so, will deem the application ineligible. This includes current financial position (taken
 from financial statements within the last two years; updated contact details for all persons registered with
 the organisation in the portal
- Multiple quotes are required, however are not required to be submitted with the application but may be requested later
- **NOT ELIGIBLE**: operational costs, wages, food, uniforms, petrol, internal training not delivered by a third party, items purchased by overseas supplier, equipment where a deposit has already been paid (this will be considered retrospective).

For full details please refer to https://www.justice.qld.gov.au/initiatives/community-grants.

Information on Future Rounds:

The Qld Gov have confirmed that the next round of the Gambling Community Benefit Fund (Round 124), likely opening in May 2025, will once again be a Super Round with funding up to \$100,000 available. More information will be provided once guidelines for this super round have been released.

If you would like the Grant Seeking Unit to assist with the writing and submission of an application, or you have any queries in relation to this funding opportunity, please contact one of the following:

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