



Memorandum

To:	All QLD Clubs & Branches
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Subject:	Grant Opportunity: QLD Gov Queensland Rural & Industry Development Authority (QRIDA) Exceptional Disaster Assistance Recovery Grants – Tropical Cyclone Alfred and Severe Weather (closing 2 April 2026)

The **QLD Gov Exceptional Disaster Assistance Recovery Grants** are available to assist directly impacted small businesses and non-profit organisations to help pay for the costs of clean-up and reinstatement of organisations that have suffered direct damage as a result of Tropical Cyclone Alfred and associated severe weather, between 1-16 March 2025. **Applications are open and assessed on an ongoing basis until 2 April 2026.**

Available Funding:

The maximum grant amount available is \$25,000 and can be accessed through the following:

- Initial application/s up to the total amount of \$5,000 is available to support an initial claim. Evidence of the direct damage is required such as photographs and quotations, tax invoices or official receipts
- Subsequent application/s up to the total amount of \$20,000 is available to support subsequent claims for which full evidence of payment is required

Note: Prior to the Closing Day, multiple applications can be made up to the maximum amount available under the exceptional circumstances grant.

Eligible costs:

Eligible clean-up, reinstatement activities and emergency measures include:

- Hiring or leasing equipment or materials to clean a property, premises or equipment
- Purchasing equipment or materials to clean a property, premises or equipment if QRIDA is satisfied:
 - The equipment or materials are not ordinarily available for hire or lease (Examples - cleaning chemicals, gloves, masks, brooms, mops, shovels or buckets); or
 - The equipment or the materials are reasonably necessary for cleaning the property, premises or equipment and are not readily available for hire or lease. (In this instance assistance towards purchase is available to the assessed hire or lease cost of the item being purchased)
- Additional labour costs (above and beyond normal wage expenditure i.e. day-to-day staffing)
- Removing and disposing of debris or damaged goods and material
- Repairs to buildings (other than housing)
- Purchase or hire/lease costs for equipment or materials essential for immediately resuming operation of the organisation
- Payment for tradespeople to conduct safety inspections of damage to a property, premises or equipment
- Essential repairs to premises and internal fittings that are not covered by insurance
- Replacement of lost or damaged stock if the replacement is essential for immediately resuming operations
- Leasing temporary premises for the purpose of resuming operation

Key Information:

- To be eligible for an Exceptional Disaster Assistance Recovery Grant, you as the applicant must:
 - Be a non-profit organisation
 - Have a non-profit organisation located in the defined area for the eligible disaster and have suffered direct damage as a result of the eligible disaster
 - Have been engaged in carrying on the non-profit organisation when affected by the eligible disaster
 - Be primarily responsible for meeting the costs claimed in the application
 - Be unable to repair or replace assets directly damaged as a result of the eligible disaster from the applicant's own resources without assistance under the scheme; and
 - Intend to re-establish the organisation in the defined disaster area for the eligible disaster



- An applicant may also be eligible for an Exceptional Disaster Assistance Recovery Grant if both of the following apply:
 - The non-profit organisation is located outside the defined disaster area for the eligible disaster but carried on at least sometimes on a regular basis in the area
 - Plant or equipment of the non-profit organisation situated in the defined disaster area has been damaged as a result of the eligible disaster
- Applicants must retain all tax invoices, official receipts, bank statements, quotations or other similar records for assistance received under the scheme until one year after the closing day for applications for the eligible disaster
- Applicants must consent to QRIDA conducting an audit of quotations, tax invoices, official receipts, bank statements or other similar records to verify the amounts given under the scheme have been used in accordance with the claim
- Applicants are also required to provide authorisation for QRIDA to contact their insurance company to confirm or verify entitlements or the outcome of any claims made in relation to the eligible disaster
- Organisations are ineligible to apply if the Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements activated for the eligible disaster include a community recovery fund and the applicant has claimed or received a grant under this fund for the eligible disaster
- Complete applications are assessed in order of receipt and QRIDA may request further information to help assess an application

To view the list of defined disaster areas and guidelines please visit: [Exceptional Disaster Assistance Recovery Grants - Tropical](#)

If you would like the SLSA 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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