

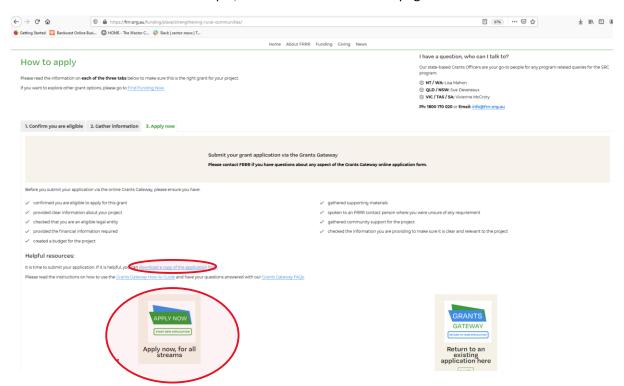


FRRR Grants Gateway How-To Guide

This document is a step by step guide in how to submit a grant application using FRRR's online grant application system, Grants Gateway. We encourage you to read it and review the FAQs document. If you still have questions, please contact the FRRR office on 1800 170 020 or email info@frrr.org.au

Start at the FRRR website, on the grant page

Go to the webpage of the grant you are applying for on the FRRR website. Click on the **Apply Now** button on the third tab – for example, on the SRC – Small & Vital page it looks like this:



To apply, you need to go to the FRRR Grants Gateway. You can do that by clicking on the **Apply Now** link on the website page for the grant program you are applying to (circled in red above). Before you do, please make sure you download and read all of this How-To Guide, as well as the FAQs.

There is also a printable sample application form available for each program, that you can view before logging into Grants Gateway (circled in red above).

Create a login

Clicking on the Apply Now button will take you to the homepage of the FRRR Grants Gateway online application system.





Before you can do anything else, you need to create a log in. Follow the instructions on the page to get started. We **recommend** that you set up an **organisational email**, rather than have individual logins for each person in the organisation. Doing so will mean that information about your organisation will automatically be populated in future

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Foundation for Rura	al & Regional Renewal
Grants Ga	teway Portal
Getting Started	
If you have not already set up an account, you will need to o	reate one by clicking on the 'New Account' link below.
Existing account holders	
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existing applications, and reporting forms.	nd password in the neids below. From here, you can acces
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existing applications, and reporting forms. If you have forgotten your password, please click on the 'For password will be sent to the email address the account belo	rgot Password?' link below and an email with a temporar

applications. It will also mean that all correspondence about your application will go to one address, even if your office bearers change, so it will be easier to keep track of.

If you have already created an account, enter your details in the relevant boxes.

If you follow the link from the program page, once you have logged into your account you will be taken directly to the application form for the program you are applying for.

Note: The link for each program is unique, so you'll need to go to the FRRR website to the page about the program you are applying for to access the relevant application form.

If your group has already started an application and you log in via the Grants Gateway portal, you will create a new application. If you, or someone in your group has already started an application for this round, you will need to log in via the email link that was sent to the registering email. It is unique to that already created application. Alternatively, you can click on the link from the program page to return to your current application.

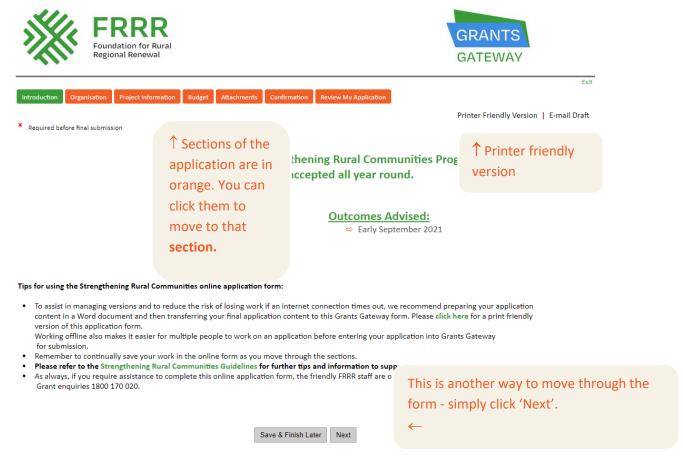
We strongly recommend preparing your application content in a saveable Word document and then transferring your final application content to the Grants Gateway form. This will assist in managing versions and will reduce the risk of losing work if an internet connection times out — although continual saving is also recommended. Preparing the application offline also makes it easier for multiple people to work on an application before entering final content into Grants Gateway for submission.

Read the introduction screen carefully

You will receive a welcome message. Read this information carefully.

You will also be able to see the different sections of the system that you will need to complete. These are the green tabs. The blue tab shows the section you are currently in.

Below the row of green tabs, you can also see 'Printer Friendly Version'. We recommend that you print a copy of the application form, so you can see all of the different questions, and plan how you will answer them. You can also share the application with other people and get them working on parts of the application form. You are also able to print a copy the application form from the program page on the website (see page 1 above).



Note, the form saves automatically as you move through. But you can save and exit at any point and we recommend saving your application often. Each time you save and close, a copy of your application to date will **be emailed** to the address that you logged in with. This email includes a link to your saved application form.

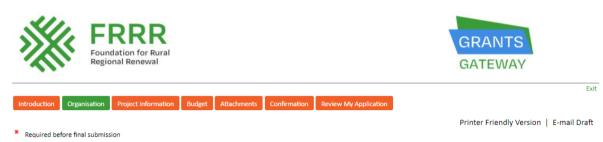
IT IS IMPORTANT THAT YOU USE THAT LINK TO GO BACK IN AND CONTINUE ANY APPLICATION YOU HAVE STARTED. If you click on the Apply Now link on the grant page, you will open a new application and not be able to see the work you've done to date.

Alternatively, you can click on the link from the program page to return to your current application.

Organisation Details

The first part of the form asks about your organisation. If your organisation is **delivering the project** and receiving the funding, you'll need to enter your organisation's details in **Part A – Legal Organisation**. Do not complete Part B.

However, if you are delivering the project but partnering with another group that will receive and administer the grant funding, you need to enter the partner organisation's details in Part A – Legal Organisation. The details of your organisation will need to be entered in Part B – Delivery Organisation.



Strengthening Rural Communities Program

How to complete this section: **Does your organisation, the group delivering the project, have an ABN or Inc number? If YES, please complete part: A. Legal organisation - provide information about your local group B. Delivery organisation - leave this blank If NO, please complete part: A. Legal organisation - provide information about the organisation partnering with your group / your head office / governing body B. Delivery organisation - provide information about your local group A. Legal Organisation Legal Organisation - Name and Address * What is the legal name of the organisation? * Postal address Line 1 Postal address Line 2 * Town * State * Postcode - Select One - V

Note, the red asterisks * indicate questions that are compulsory.

You can move past these but until they are completed, the system will not allow you to submit your application. If you try to submit the form, you will get a list of all the questions you haven't completed.

Project Information

This is the part of the application where you start to tell us about what you are planning to do. There are several different parts to this section of the form.

We start by asking you to tell us the title of your project, and a brief summary of your project.



The next section on the Project Information tab asks for more detail on the **project activity area** (see next page). This is a new section of our application form, which is designed to help us better understand and track the issues that communities are seeking help to address. This is important information for us, in reporting back to our donor partners and in building the case for more support.

All grant applicants are required to identify their primary **Project Activity Area** by selecting the purpose and approach that best suits what you have planned and are seeking funding from FRRR to help you implement.

Project Activity Tree

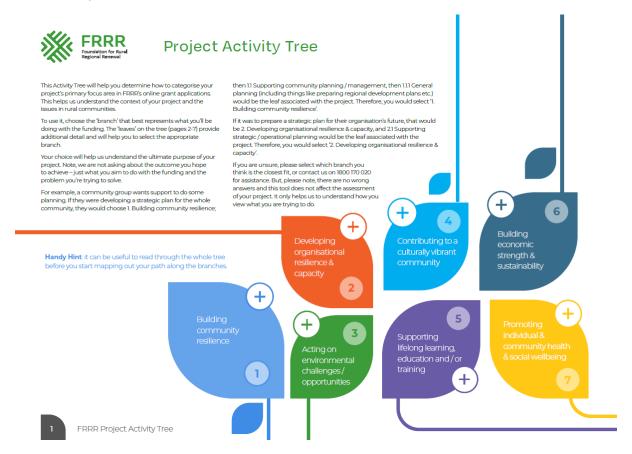
To help us standardise and more easily analyse trends across the programs, we created the **Project Activity Tree**, which lists the common things that communities are trying to address, the objective, and ways in which we have seen groups tackle these challenges.



We recommend that you read through the whole tree before you start mapping out your path along the branches.

We also encourage you to watch this brief clip about completing this section of the application.

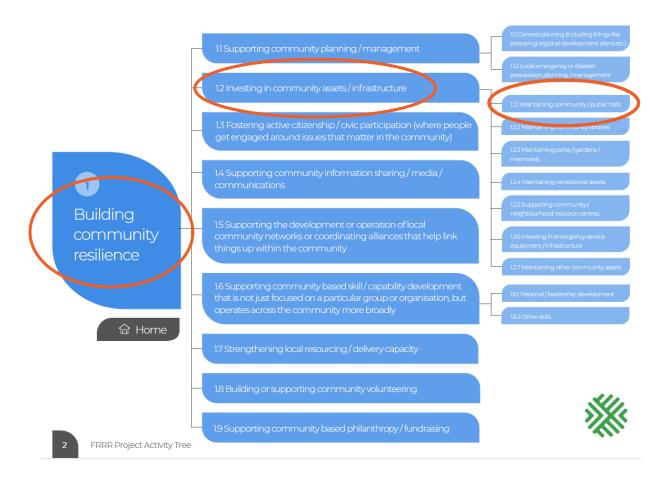
This document will open when you click on the 'review this Activity Tree' hyperlink in the Project Focus Area question:



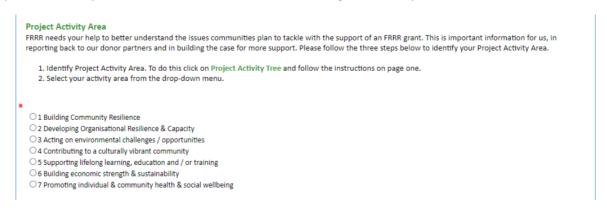
To use it, choose the leaf and number that best represents your project's main aim. Then, go to the page with that number and read all the options under that 'leaf' and follow it along the 'branch' to the end.

For example: Say your group wishes to put a new roof on your community hall. You would choose **1. Building Community Resilience**.

You can easily find out what kind of projects come under each leaf by clicking on them and navigating through the branches . For example, if you click through the Building Community Resilience page, you will find **1.2 Investing in Community Assets / Infrastructure**, which leads to to **1.2.1 Maintaining community / public halls** (see picture below). Exploring the 'branches' is a good way to check that you've picked the right category.



Then you can head back to the application and tick the box of your chosen leaf. In the case of our previous example, that would be the first one – "Building Community Resilience."

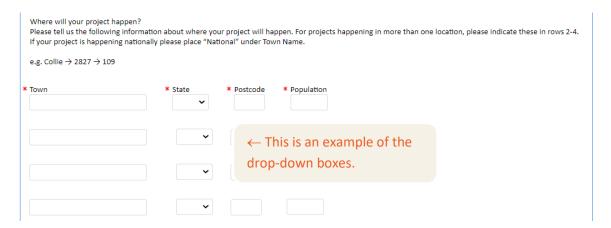


We know that many projects address multiple issues, but we ask you to choose the main purpose and the main objective, method / focus area etc.

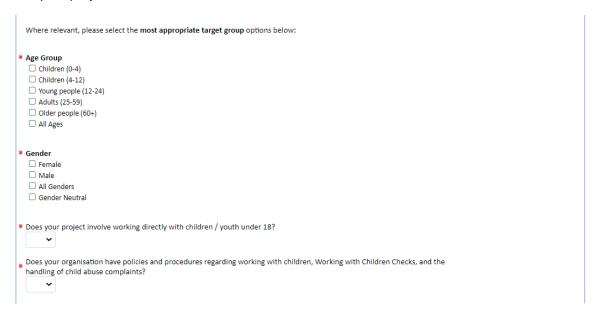
We then ask for information including **what** you intend to do, **why** your project is needed, **when** you hope to deliver the project, and **where** it will take place (including LGA information).

As you progress through the form there will be some fields with drop down arrows ▼ with options such as yes / no. Click on the one that fits best with your project or situation.

You will note there is a red tick ✓ to the right of free text boxes. This indicates the ability to spell-check the text.



This section of the application also asks about the **target groups** that you'll be working with and who the project is designed to benefit, including details on the community you're intending to deliver your project in. Some questions require you to check boxes. Click on all the appropriate box/es that match your project.



The next part of the Project Information tab asks you to tell us how your project will benefit the community – how your project will create change, and what you expect to be different as a result of the project and activities you've outlined in the previous section. This is the information that you will measure the success of your project against.

How will your project benefit the community?	
Select ONE option that best describes how your project will create change	
O Investing in Infrastructure and Equipment	
O Building Organisational Capacity	
O Developing Awareness, Knowledge and Skills	
O Providing Access to Services / Activities	

You then need to choose the **primary outcomes** you expect to achieve from your project – the things where you expect to show how you made a difference. You can choose **up to three outcomes**.

▼ Please identify the project's primary outcomes. (you can tick up to three) FRRR needs your help to better understand and track the outcomes of FRRR grants in rural, regional and remote communities around Australia. This is important information to support FRRR to report back to our donor partners and build evidence for more support.
☐ Communities that can innovate or respond to local opportunities / issues
Greater ability to deal with / respond to individual / community level challenges
□ Stronger local economies
☐ Improved financial security / reduced poverty or financial stress
☐ Enhance community identity / wellbeing / sense of place
A friendly and inclusive community / stronger social fabric
☐ Promote environmental health / sustainability
☐ More creative / culturally vibrant communities
☐ More engaged / participative community
Optimal start in life for children, starting school ready to learn
☐ Increased engagement in learning and improved education outcomes
Stronger individual and / or community resilience

We also ask you to nominate whether your project is being delivered in the context of **natural disaster recovery or preparedness**. (Note, we consider projects supporting drought-affected communities to fall within this category.)

Simply select either Yes or No from the drop-down menu, and give us a little more information about what you are doing from the drop-down question below.

Disaster or Emergency Response
Does your project relate directly to preparedness for or recovery from natural disasters, emergency management, or drought?
If yes to the above Disaster or Emergency Response Projects question, please answer question below. Which of the following best describes the focus of your project: If no, to above Disaster or Emergency Response Projects question, please select Non-emergency / Disaster Response.
Emergency / disaster preparedness Longer term post-emergency / disaster recovery
One-mergency / Disaster Resonse
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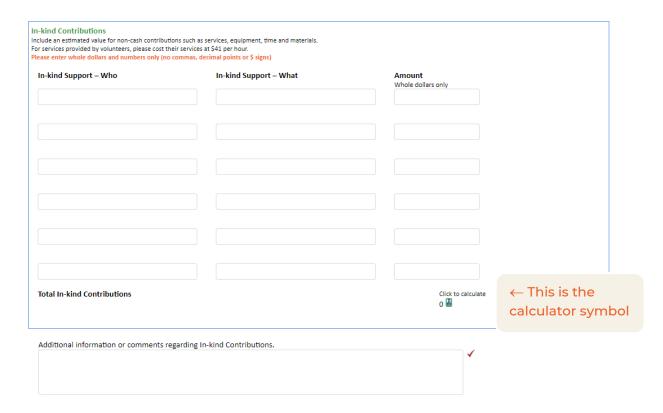
Budget

There are four sections to the budget:

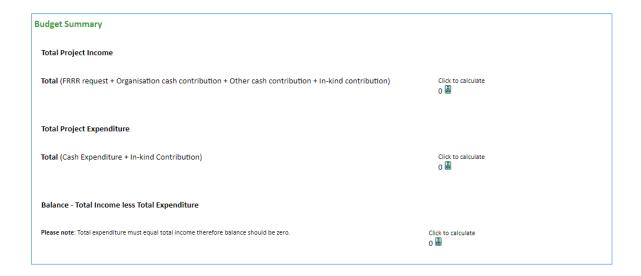
- 1. Project income, including the total project cost, the amount requested from FRRR and the cash contribution from your organisation;
- 2. Cash contributions from other sources including whether they are confirmed or not;
- 3. Expenditure; and
- 4. In-kind contributions.

The total income (including the request from FRRR, cash contribution from your organisation, cash contributions from other sources and in-kind contributions) must equal the total expenditure. There is a calculator symbol at the bottom of each section, which you must click on to recalculate after you make any adjustments.

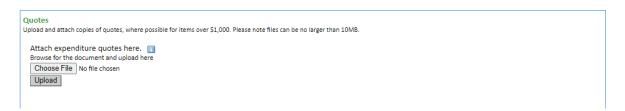




PLEASE NOTE: Ensure there are only whole numbers in your budget, or the auto-calculate function won't work – i.e. do not include commas, full stops or dollar signs - only whole dollars and numbers.



Quotes for expenditure above \$1,000 should be attached where possible. **If you can't provide a quote**, please contact the Program Manager.

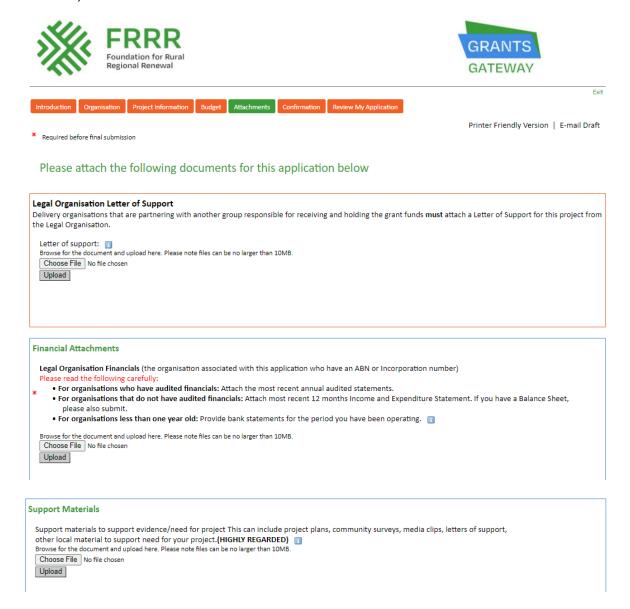


Attachments

Attachments help us to assess your application. Some items are compulsory – indicated with a red asterisk. However, others are discretionary but are encouraged, as they help us better understand the need, and your plans.

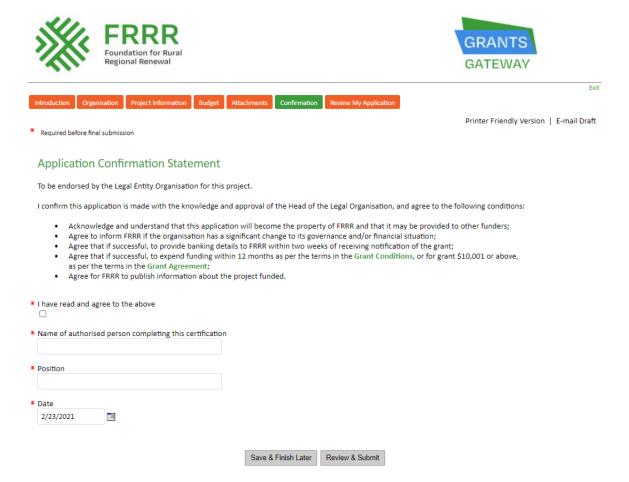
You can only upload one file at a time. If you exceed upload limits for each of the sections in attachments, we recommend combining the files into one PDF.

For photos, you can paste them into an MS Word document, then PDF it. There are several free tools available on the internet, such as https://www.pdfcombine.com/. No one item can be more than 10MB. If you have a large item that you want to share, such as a video, or difficulties in combining documents, contact the FRRR office.



Confirmation

Before you can lodge the application, it needs to be endorsed by the legal head of the nominated legal entity. Remember, making this endorsement commits the authorised person and organisation. So, it should not be done lightly.



Review your application

The final step in the application process is to review the application. Any compulsory questions – those with an asterisk – must be answered. But depending on your answers to some others, you also need to complete some that aren't marked as compulsory – e.g. the income must equal expenditure in the budget.

If you try to submit without answering all questions, you will see a list of the ones you've missed in red.



Submit

When you have answered all the questions, you can submit your application.

Once you have submitted your application, you will receive an email to the email address that you used to create your account and log into the system.

If you do not receive a confirmation email after 24 hours of submission, please contact the FRRR office on 1800 170 020.

Still need help? Check out the FAQs document or call us on 1800 170 020 or email info@frrr.org.au.