

Frequently asked questions

SES Support Grant program

The SES Support Grant is a Queensland Government grant program administered by Queensland State Emergency Service (SES). The program offers financial support for local governments to dedicate resources to SES groups. This helps SES to effectively respond to emergencies in their communities.

Local governments can apply for grants of up to \$150,000 for facilities and up to \$75,000 for vehicles for SES groups or units in their area.

About the program

Read the SES Support Grant 2025-26 Funding Guidelines at ses.qld.gov.au/support-grant to see if your project is eligible and find out how to apply.

Answers to common questions

Find answers to the most common questions about the grant and where to find more information in the funding guidelines.

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Can we apply if we already have a project still open from a previous round?	Yes. You can submit applications for SES groups that have an existing grant project open. They will be considered on a case-by-case basis.	8
How much funding can we apply for?	For facilities: you can apply for up to \$150,000. For vehicles: you can apply for up to \$75,000.	4
We're unable to co-contribute to the grant project. Can we still apply?	Yes, you can still apply. There is no co-contribution requirement for the 2025-26 round of the SES Support Grant.	4
Does the grant exclude GST?	Yes, grant funds exclude GST. Grant funds paid to local government are not subject to GST.	15
What can we use the facility grant for?	Funds can be used for: <ul style="list-style-type: none">– purchasing facilities or land– construction, modification, renovation or extension of an existing facility.	6

We need funding for a project that isn't a facility or vehicle. Can we apply for this grant?	Yes. In unique circumstances, funding might be available for projects outside these categories. You'll need to include a letter to apply for this when submitting your application.	8
Can we apply for this grant to go towards a vehicle we've already purchased or a project that has started?	No. Grants will not be awarded retrospectively. If the project is already complete or underway, grant assessors consider this an indication that funding assistance isn't needed.	8
When can we start our project and when does it need to be completed?	If you are awarded a grant, you can start your project from 1 July 2025. Your project should be completed by 30 June 2026. To seek approval to extend this timeframe, you'll need to apply for a variation by the variation due date.	5
When will we find out if our grant application is successful?	Grant outcomes will be announced from April 2025. We'll notify all applicants in writing whether their application was successful or not.	9
If my grant application is successful, when will I receive the grant funds?	Grant funds are released to local government recipients once: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - the grant project is complete - we've received the acquittal form and all supporting documents. 	13
What if we have delays and won't meet the completion deadline?	Submit a variation request form to seek an extension to the completion date. It must be submitted at least 2 months before the original completion date.	13
Where can I find the forms I need?	Download the application form, acquittal forms and variation request forms from the SES website at ses.qld.gov.au/support-grant or email grants@ses.qld.gov.au	15
I need more information. Where can I find it?	You can find more information, including the SES Support Grant Funding Guidelines, on the SES website at ses.qld.gov.au/support-grant or email grants@ses.qld.gov.au	15