

# Youth Engagement Grant Selection Panel Information Sheet

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## What is the Youth Engagement Grant Program?

The Office of Youth Affairs (OYA) administers the Youth Engagement Grants Program. The program aims to assist young Territorians to access a variety of youth-related events and personal development programs and activities. Young people are involved in the planning, staging and evaluation of activities to ensure that the events reflect their needs and interests.

There are mini grants (up to \$500) and major grants (\$501 to \$2,000) available to individuals, groups, clubs, organisations, and businesses throughout the Northern Territory (NT) for youth related activities. The following grants are available under the program:

- National Youth Week Grants;
- Youth Vibe Holiday Grants (June/July and December/January); and
- Quick Response Grants.

## What is a selection panel?

A selection panel is a group of people who answer questions, give advice or opinions about something or a group of people with special knowledge, skills or experience, who gives advice or make decisions.

OYA organises a selection panel to assess the grant round three times a year. The panel is made up by three to four young Territorians who help select grant applications for the available round of National Youth Week and Youth Vibe Holiday Grants. Each application is assessed against guidelines, a regional spread and ranked in order from highest to lowest. The applications which the selection panel ranks the highest may be considered for that round of funding. The Grants Officer or National Youth Week Coordinator will act as the secretariat during the selection panel and help answer any queries.

## Why be involved in a selection panel?

You may be interested in gaining new skills, having a say on what's happening around the NT and in your community and help support some awesome initiatives. If this opportunity sounds like something you may want to be involved in, please submit an expression of interest (EOI). OYA acknowledges that your time is precious and as a 'thank you' panel members will receive a certificate of participation from OYA and a bag of merchandise.

## Is there anything else I should know?

If you are successful with your expression of interest to participate on the Youth Engagement Grant selection panel, you will need to be available during office hours on the nominated day for approximately 3-4 hours. You will need to make your own way to our office (Darwin City) to participate in the panel.

Also, applicants may be contacted to have the opportunity to participate in other selection panels throughout the year.

## How do I apply?

To apply, all you have to do is complete the EOI form below and submit it. Completed forms can be returned to OYA by email [oya@nt.gov.au](mailto:oya@nt.gov.au) or by fax 8941 5291.