Funds & Grants Assessment Committee 2021 Report



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2021 was another extraordinary year for all. In New South Wales alone, the Delta variant had caused the government to introduce strict lockdown legislation for nearly four months. This year, the impact on the economy, public health and social challenges were more serious than 2020. There was also significant increase in death toll. Border closures of each State had caused immense heartache to families, workers and businesses.

The Funds & Grants Assessment Committee recognised the challenges faced by victims of domestic and family violence during the outbreak of the Delta variant in the State of NSW. The situation was exceptionally serious in the local government areas of concern where strict lockdown order was imposed by the NSW Government. The "Start Over" Project Grant to support victims of domestic and family violence was recommended by the committee and replaced the annual Community Project Grant.

The objective of the Grant was to support victims of domestic violence who had left an unsafe environment/relationship to make a new start. The following organisations had successfully applied for the "Start Over" Grant:

- Detour House Inc
- · Fairfield Women's Health Service
- The Northern Centre, Ryde
- · WASH House Inc.

The projects are expected to be completed by 20 September 2022.











Last but not the least, I wish to acknowledge the retired Funds & Grants Assessment Committee members – Dr Peter Wong AM, Mrs Joanna Yeung, Ms Annie Tang and Ms Tury To. Your valuable contribution to the ACCF Funding programme will be much treasured.

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