

# FAQs

## Better Beginnings Family Literacy Community Grants Program

- **I have received a Better Beginnings Grant in a previous round. Can I reapply?**  
Applicants may only receive two Innovation Grants (\$10,001 - \$30,000) between 2021 – 2025. Applicants may apply for the development of the same project progressively over these two applications.
- **Can more than one library branch within an LGA apply for the same category of grant?**  
No. LGAs can only submit one application for each of the Micro and Innovation Grants in each round of funding. Please discuss your project ideas within your LGA and submit an application to fund the project that will deliver the best outcome for your community.
- **Are fixtures and furniture considered capital works and ineligible for funding?**  
Permanent fixtures and fittings (such as shelving) would be considered capital works and these items are generally not able to form part of the grant application. If, however, you require some mobile furniture to enable you to deliver a program outside of the library walls then that would be eligible. Passive infrastructure that promotes early literacy to families in the absence of programming is also eligible for funding. This could include signage and resources that engage families to read, talk sing, write and play.
- **Is relief or training costs for staff included?**  
Training costs which do not support the early literacy aims of the grant application are not eligible for funding. However, training for staff that supports the early literacy aims of the grant application and will give library staff the skills required to continue the program past the funding round are eligible. Tier 2 and 3 public libraries and small community organisations may be able to apply for relief for staffing support for substantial periods for research and partnership development, however clear justification for this need must be provided.
- **Can resources purchased through funding be made available to patrons for loan?**  
New kits or specialist resources to support a new program are eligible and can be made available for loan to patrons. General library stock collection is not eligible for grant funding.
- **Can two libraries or community organisations collaborate on a single grant application?**  
Yes, collaboration is encouraged.
- **We are hoping to deliver an existing program, but it would be new to our community/library, can we apply for funding?**  
The grants are intended to support the development and delivery of innovative early literacy practice, however, if the program is new to your organisation or community then you are welcome to apply for grant funding.