

Government of Western Australia Department of Local Government Office of Multicultural Interests

Community Grants Program 2014–2015

Approved Events and Activities grants—September 2014			
Organisation	Event dates	Event details	Funding amount
Hindi Samaj of Western Australia	3/5/2015	Indradhanush (Rainbow) A three-hour ticketed event that offers a 'mega platform' for Western Australians to perform in the Hindi language. The event brings together people from diverse backgrounds that share an interest in Hindi language and culture, such as Australia, India, Indonesia, Fiji, Nepal, Afghanistan, Mauritius and Malaysia. Over the last 16 years, the annual event has aimed to encourage participation, equity and cross-cultural engagement, and promote the benefits of cultural and linguistic diversity. The event includes musical and cultural performances and is expected to attract around 600 attendees.	\$5000
Ishar Multicultural Women's Health Centre	20/3/2015	Mirrabooka Harmony Day 2015 Bringing together the broad community to share common interests and be entertained by various multicultural performances, the festival promotes a positive image of all local communities. The CaLD community is involved in all aspects of the event, including planning and delivery, to enable their full participation in these civic, social and cultural activities. Mirrabooka Harmony Day is expected to attract around 1600 people.	\$5000
Lions Club of Ballajura	15/3/2015	Ballajura Harmony Day 2015 A one-day free event that provides an opportunity for community groups, organisations and agencies to showcase their talents and skills. The event focuses on providing opportunities for the many cultural groups within Ballajura to offer	\$5000

		displays, and provide activities, food stalls and workshops that showcase their cultural traditions. The festival features Catch Music, a traditional Ethiopian tea ceremony, New Zealand Hakka group and a Chinese Lion Dance display. The event is expected to attract around 3500 attendees.	
MidWest Waitangi Day Committee	21/2/2015	Waitangi Day at the Foreshore 2015An annual free one-day intercultural celebration held at the Geraldton foreshore. The event includes song and dance performances from Maori, Pacific Island, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures, traditional delicacies, and a showcasing of arts, crafts and cultural treasures from local and visiting stallholders. The event aims to celebrate culture, indigeneity, kinship and community while building cross-cultural relationships. Cross-cultural art and weaving workshops will precede the event in partnership with the Arts and Cultural Development Council. The event is expected to attract around 1000 attendees.	\$4500
Peter Moyes Anglican Community School P & F Association	7/3/2015	Grand Community Harmony Fete The Grand Community Harmony Fete is a free one-day event including displays, international and local foods, sports, rides, music, dance and ethnic group awareness workshops celebrating our cultural diversity. Community groups and services showcase their benefits and educate on access, acceptance and inclusion. An art and craft fair showcases cultural creations. The event is expected to attract more than 2000 attendees.	\$5000
Burmese Association of WA Inc (BAWA)	25/4/2015	The 50th Anniversary of the Burmese Association of WAA ticketed, gala ball held at the Hyatt Hotel to commemorate BAWA's golden jubilee. The event aims to build BAWA's capacity by raising the profile and awareness of the association, its commitment to stakeholders and its work and achievements, while promoting stakeholder involvement and sustainable networks. Up to 250 tickets will be sold to the Burmese community, affiliated communities, multicultural service providers, non-government organisations and members of the wider community.	\$2600

Approved Small Project grants—September 2014			
Organisation	Project dates	Small Project details	Funding amount
Befriend Inc	Commencing February 2015	Culture Connect A 14-week long social inclusion program targeting individuals from CaLD backgrounds who identify as having a disability and require full-time care. The project will include two components: 1) a technology training course and 2) a series of inclusive, localised, small-scale social events hosted through the <i>Befriend Social</i> <i>Network</i> .	\$6440
Metropolitan Migrant Resource Centre	February 2015 (dates TBC)	Cross Country/Cross Cultures An original theatre piece devised by young people from Aboriginal and CaLD backgrounds. The play explores themes of isolation, stigma, discrimination and distance. The production will be staged over four nights as part of the Fringeworld Festival in February 2015.	\$5000
The Royal Lifesaving Society WA Inc (RLSSWA)	Commencing January 2015	CaLD Communities Swimming and Water Education Project This project aims to increase CaLD participation in swimming and water safety education through the development of partnerships between the RLSSWA, Chinese and Indian communities, and local swimming pools and aquatic facilities. The program will engage around 235 women and 100 children participants.	\$15,000

Approved Major Programs grants—September 2014			
Organisation	Program dates	Major Program details	Funding amount
Council on the Ageing (COTA) in partnership with Chung Wah Association Inc	Commencing January 2015	Positive Ageing in CaLD Communities This program assists CaLD seniors to access information that enables them to participate more fully in the community. The program covers information on crime and safety, consumer directed care, housing options, active ageing, technology and retirement lifestyle issues. Presentations, made by COTA volunteers, are supported by appropriate literature and access to websites, etc. In addition, the Chung Wah Association provides cultural briefings to support agencies and service providers to encourage development of culturally appropriate services.	\$25,000
Fremantle Multicultural Centre WA (FMCWA)	Commencing January 2015	Stepping Past the Shadows This program builds on the successful 'Stepping Out of the Shadows' program to address issues of stigma related to mental health issues in CaLD communities. Using a community trainer model, the program delivers in-depth and specialised knowledge of mental health issues to bilingual peer support workers (BPSWs) to raise mental health literacy in the targeted communities, by identifying CaLD communities without BPSWs and then identifying and training new BPSWs. New and existing BPSWs will also be given employment opportunities. Finally, by supporting grassroots activities within the ethno-specific communities that promote mental health literacy.	\$40,000
Rainbow Coast Neighbourhood Centre	Commencing February 2015	Helping Hands This program enables Karen, Burmese, Burundi and Hazara cultural groups to take on volunteer roles to assist new migrants at the Katanning Migrant Resource Centre (KMRC). The new volunteers in turn assist the Migrant Resource Centre to increase its operations to 5.5 days per week. The program includes transferable skills development for volunteers, 'Cultural Ambassadors', facilitation of community- run tradition skills workshops and a social enterprise focused on areas of cultural expertise.	\$30,000
Redeemed Care Inc	Commencing January 2015	Men's Counselling This program provides a pathway for men and their families from African and CaLD communities to access mental health services. The program is designed to reduce cultural barriers currently hindering access to critical services by creating a soft entry into counselling services through information workshops and recreational	\$25,000

		activities. The program also provides culturally appropriate group and individual counselling to address issues affecting the community, such as domestic violence and social isolation.	
Surf Life Saving Western Australia (SLSWA)	Commencing January 2015	SLSWA Multicultural Training Program The Multicultural Training Program is a response to the over-representation of CaLD communities in coastal drowning deaths in WA. The program develops the integration and involvement of CaLD people in the WA surf lifesaving system by training multicultural community leaders and role models in leadership, project management and beach safety, providing pathways to employment opportunities within SLSWA and engaging CaLD communities in surf lifesaving clubs.	\$35,000
Umbrella Multicultural Community Care Services	Commencing February 2015	Empowering CALD Seniors: improving access to information and services for CaLD older people Through a Project Officer, this program undertakes research and identifies unsupported (no funding or agency support) CaLD seniors groups and their needs in the Perth metropolitan area. Identified groups are given information regarding aged care, support services, entitlements, access and self-advocacy. The program empowers seniors to advocate for and access the resources available to meet their needs.	\$30,000