

What is cardiac arrest?

A cardiac arrest is when your heart stops beating. This means that your brain and vital organs are starved of oxygen; you become unconscious and stop breathing or do not breathe normally. A cardiac arrest is a medical emergency.

Every minute counts when a person is in cardiac arrest. Without chest compressions and use of a defibrillator, a person in cardiac arrest will not survive.

A cardiac arrest can be survived if you get appropriate help. If you see someone in this situation, call Triple Zero (000) immediately. The call operator can talk you through what to do. Any attempt at resuscitation is better than no attempt.

What is a defibrillator (AED or Automated External Defibrillator)?

An automated external defibrillator (AED) is a portable electronic device that diagnoses life-threatening abnormal heart rhythms that can cause a cardiac arrest.

An AED might be able to treat these abnormal heart rhythms by giving an electric shock to try to 'restart' the heart to its normal rhythm. This is known as defibrillation.

An automated external defibrillator (AED) will only give a shock if it is necessary. **You cannot do any harm by using an automated external defibrillator (AED) on someone who is unconscious.**

The table in this document contains information of the current grants available nationwide and in your State that are open for applications. This may assist your club with an opportunity to access government funded grants and subsidies to put towards AED equipment and training. If you can't find what you're looking for, most local Councils have year-round grant and assistance programs. Check out your Council's website to find out what's available.

There are also several easy-to-use grants search websites such as [The Grants Hub](#) that can provide a collective list of all available grants for your club. The Grants Hub has 14 days free trial offer.

Location	Details	Website Links	Timeline
Australia-Wide	<p>Is your organisation in need of funds for a community project? The Foundation facilitates a wide range of grants for eligible charities and not-for-profit organisations in Australia.</p> <p>The Foundation works closely with Community Bank and Corporate partners that choose to reinvest their profits back into their local communities via a structured charitable grant program.</p>	https://cia.communityenterprisefoundation.com.au/Program/Index/1	Various programs available
Australia-Wide	<p>Defibrillators Australia: Up to \$1,000 government grant rebate now available.</p>	https://defibrillatorsaustralia.com.au/	Ongoing
New South Wales	Keep an eye on New South Wales Government and Council websites for any upcoming grants that may be applicable to you or your club. You can also look at the Australia-wide grants available.	https://www.sport.nsw.gov.au/grants	
Northern Territory	<p>Community benefit fund: minor community grants</p> <p>What you need to know to apply</p> <p>You can apply for minor community grants to fund a project in its entirety or for a portion.</p> <p>Applications may also be made for multiple purposes. Preference will be given to applications that include co-contributions.</p> <p>How much you can apply for</p> <p>Eligible organisations can apply for amounts up to \$15,000.</p> <p>Funding depends on budget availability and the relative merit of applications. There is no guarantee of ongoing funding.</p> <p>Last updated: 15 July 2022</p>	https://nt.gov.au/community/community-grants-and-volunteers/community-grants/community-benefit-fund-minor-community-grant/what-you-need-to-know-to-apply	<p>Ongoing</p> <p>Funding rounds</p> <p>Applications for funding can be lodged all year round.</p> <p>They will be assessed, and outcomes will be advised regularly throughout the year.</p> <p>You will be notified of the outcome of your application 4 weeks after the date of lodgement.</p>

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Queensland	<p><u>Here for Hearts – Genuine Community Program for Regional & Rural NSW & QLD:</u></p> <p>Here for Hearts program provides access for community groups such as sporting clubs and schools to apply for assistance to purchase a defibrillator.</p>	<p>https://www.defibshop.com.au/heart-s-genuine-community-program-regional-rural-nsw-qld/</p>	Ongoing
Queensland	<p>Keep an eye on Queensland Government and Council websites for other upcoming grants that may be applicable to you or your club. You can also look at the Australia-wide grants available.</p>	<p>https://www.grants.services.qld.gov.au/#/</p>	
South Australia	<p>Keep an eye on South Australia Government and Council websites for upcoming grants that may be applicable to you or your club. You can also look at the Australia-wide grants available.</p>	<p>https://dhs.sa.gov.au/services/grants-for-organisations/grants-sa</p>	
Tasmania	<p><u>Ambulance Tasmanian – Community Defibrillator Fund</u></p> <p>The Tasmanian Government provides AEDs to community and not-for-profit organisations and individuals. 90 AEDs are available each during the 2021-22 and 2022-23 financial years.</p>	<p>https://www.health.tas.gov.au/hospitals/ambulance/community-defibrillator-fund</p>	Ongoing

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<p>Victoria</p>	<p><u>Emergency Sporting Equipment Grant Program</u> This grant provides assistance to grassroots sport and active recreation clubs and organisations to replace essential sporting or first aid equipment that has been lost or destroyed as a consequence of fire, flood, significant storm event, theft, or criminal damage.</p> <p>Grants of up to \$2,000 are available towards the replacement cost of lost or damaged equipment that is owned by the applicant organisation. Essential equipment is:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Equipment that is required for ongoing participation in an activity that is transferable to other participants and remains the property of the club/organisation (i.e. bats, match balls, equestrian jumps, racquets, gymnastic mats, team equipment kits and badminton nets) • Injury prevention equipment that is transferable (i.e. goal post padding, batting pads, gloves, goalie gear, helmets and catcher's gear) • First aid equipment which is necessary for immediate attention to injury that may occur during participation in sport or active recreation. 	<p>https://sport.vic.gov.au/grants-and-funding/our-grants/emergency-sporting-and-recreational-equipment</p>	<p>Applications can be submitted at any time between 1 June 2022 and 31 May 2023. Applications must be submitted within six months from the date of the loss of equipment. Applications submitted more than six months after the loss, will not be considered unless there are special circumstances for the delay.</p> <p>Submitted applications will be assessed over five periods. Dates specified on the website.</p> <p>Applications close: 31/05/2023</p>
<p>Western Australia</p>	<p>Keep an eye on Western Australia Government and Council websites for any upcoming grants that may be applicable to you or your club. You can also take a look at the Australia-wide grants available.</p>	<p>https://www.dlgsc.wa.gov.au/funding/sport-and-recreation-funding</p>	