

# Moreton Grants Bulletin

Please find contained in this bulletin a number of grants and prizes that would be relevant to individuals and groups or organisations in the Moreton electorate.

The grants range from funding for artists to grants for community groups, sporting clubs and everything else in between.

Please share this information around and be wary of the closing dates as a number of the grants in this bulletin require applications to be submitted in the coming days.

Please feel free to share this information to Moreton community groups and if you have received this via a friend, please let us know and I will happily add you to my mailing list.

Yours sincerely

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## Arts & Cultural

#### Arts Projects for Individuals and groups

Purpose: To fund a range of activities that deliver benefits to the arts sector and wider public, including national and international audiences and communities. Amount: from \$10,000- \$50,000 Funding Provider: Australia Council Closing Date: 7 March 2023 and 5 September 2023

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Grants are available from \$10,000 to \$50,000. Supported activities must not last longer than two years from the proposed start date.

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Find out how to apply here

#### **Arts Projects for Organisations**

Purpose: To fund a range of activities that deliver benefits to the arts sector and wider public, including national and international audiences and communities. Amount: from \$20,000- \$100,000 Funding Provider: Australia Council Closing Date: 7 March 2023 and 5 September 2023

This program funds a range of activities that deliver benefits to the arts sector and wider public, including national and international audiences and communities. Organisations that undertake arts programs, projects, or that provide services to artists, are welcome to apply.

Organisations can propose a single project, a suite of projects or annual programs of activity.

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Find out how to apply here

#### **Playing Australia Program**

Purpose: Playing Australia Project Investment supports performing arts tours to reach regional and remote communities across Australia. Amount: No limit to amount that can be requested. Funding Provider: Australia Council Closing Date: 7 March 2023, 6 June 2023 and 10 October 2023

Playing Australia Project Investment supports performing arts tours to reach regional and remote communities across Australia.

The program supports net touring costs and other designated costs associated with tours. There is no limit on the amount that can be requested.

#### **Changes to Playing Australia Project Investment**

Please note there have been changes recently introduced which may alter your approach to applying for Playing Australia Project Investment.

These changes give you the opportunity to:

- present a proposed tour with an unconfirmed itinerary
- propose an alternative touring model such as a residency model with live performance outcomes
- present a tour that includes significant and targeted community engagement
- present an annual touring program for single or multiple works
- propose a digital tour.

Find out more information here

#### **Contemporary Music Touring Program**

Purpose: The Contemporary Music Touring Program (CMTP) supports national touring activity undertaken by Australian musicians performing original Australian contemporary music.

Amount: \$5,000 to \$50,000 Funding Provider: Australia Council Closing Date: 7 March 2023 and 5 September 2023

The Contemporary Music Touring Program (CMTP) supports national touring activity undertaken by Australian musicians performing original Australian contemporary music.

The tour must comprise of performances in at least three venues or locations outside of the performer's hometown. Tours that include regional and remote destinations, or which assist performers residing in regional and remote areas to tour, are a priority for funding.

Grants are available from \$5,000 to \$50,000, depending on the number of tour venues or locations in regional or remote areas.

Find out more information here

#### **Performers' Trust Foundation**

Purpose: Providing grants to promote and encourage music and the performing arts Amount: \$3,000 for an individual and \$5,000 for a group of organisation Funding Provider: Phonographic Performance Company of Australia (PPCA) Closing Date: Ongoing

The grant provides funding for the following purposes:

- Performances at concerts at or for charitable institutions such as hospitals or homes for the aged;
- Scholarships for the promotion and encouragement of musical and theatrical education;
- The promotion and encouragement of the performing arts to the general public;
- The aid or assistance of any beneficiary who is unable to adequately maintain herself/himself by her/his own exertions and other income

You can read more here

#### **DeviantART Creative Grants**

Purpose: Source of funding to allow artists to turn their creative dreams into reality Amount: Not Disclosed Funding Provider: DeviantART Closing Date: Ongoing, with applications assessed and funded on three month cycles

DeviantART are looking for exciting and innovative projects that need a little push financially. Think devious! Examples of possible uses for grants include:

- Installation of an art exhibition
- Additional artist materials or resources to support the production or public display of art
- A piece of work that requires specific tools
- Costs to run a creative event

More information and guidelines can be found here.

## **Business & Employment**

## **Extraordinary Disaster Assistance Recovery Grants**

Purpose:To help support South East Queensland primary producers, businesses and non-profit organisations impacted by rainfall and flooding between February and April 2022

Amount: Up to \$75,000 for producers and \$50,000 for small businesses Funding Provider: Queensland Government Closing Date: 10 March 2023

Grants of up to \$75,000 are available for primary producers, and \$50,000 for small businesses and not-for-profit organisations. These grants are jointly funded by the Commonwealth and Queensland governments under the Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements (DRFA) and are designed to assist with the costs of clean-up, and reinstatement of operations.

The application extension date was in response to feedback from affected communities, acknowledging the severe and ongoing challenges of recent weather events, and to ensure that every eligible Queenslander has access to the support they need as they continue to recover.

Find out how to apply here

#### **Business Growth Grant**

Purpose: The Grant supports recommendations that improve the abilities and skills of your business. Amount: up to \$2,500-\$20,000 Funding Provider: Trade and Investment Closing Date: Ongoing fund

Growth Grants are an Entrepreneurs' Programme grant to help your business grow.

The <u>Entrepreneurs' Programme</u> provides access to a national network of experienced facilitators. They'll work with you to improve your business practices, become more competitive, and take advantage of growth opportunities.

The Growth Grant will help you improve specific business areas that your facilitator recommended in your roadmap or plan. You must have received a roadmap or plan before you can apply for a Growth Grant.

You must use the grant to improve the ability and skills of your business to trade. For instance, you can engage external experts to help implement recommendations from the roadmap or plan. You can't use it to fix problems that are part of the normal running of your business.

You can get up to 50% of eligible project costs. The minimum grant amount is \$2500 (excluding GST). The maximum amount is \$20,000 (excluding GST).

The grant is for 1 year. For each Growth service you receive, you can only apply once for this grant. You can use the grant to implement some or all of the recommendations in your roadmap or plan.

# Find out more <u>here</u> <u>Community & Sport</u>

#### **Communities Innovation Fund**

Purpose: Helping to fund initiatives that support the Queenslanders who are more likely to experience social isolation and loneliness Amount: Up to \$50,000 for small grants and up to \$200,000 per year over multiple years for large grants Funding Provider: Queensland Government Closing Date: 6 March 2023

The Department of Communities, Housing and Digital Economy are looking for initiatives that support the Queenslanders who are more likely to experience social isolation and loneliness — older people, young people, First Nations peoples, people from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds, newly arrived migrants and refugees, people with disability, unpaid carers, people who identify as LGBTIQ+, people experiencing or who have experienced domestic and family violence, single parents, people experiencing financial disadvantage due to unemployment and underemployment, people with poorer health and mental health, and people who have been incarcerated.

There are two grant types available:

#### Small grants - round one

For short-term initiatives up to \$50,000 to support projects like events, courses, innovative ways of creating connection and professional development opportunities. Small grants rounds will open annually. The total value of funding available for small initiatives is \$800,000 over the next four years (\$200,000 per year).

#### Large grants

For longer-term initiatives. Successful recipients will receive up to \$200,000 per year, over multiple years. This will support programs, projects, services or supports that demonstrate new ideas, are place-based and person-centred to address social isolation, and create social connections for the long term. The large grants round will only be offered once, in 2023.

Find out more information here

#### **Social Justice Small Grants Program**

Purpose:To assist not for profit organisations in creating structural change and bring great social justice in Australia. Amount: Between \$1000-\$10,000 Funding Provider: Mercy Foundation Closing Date: 13 March 2023

The Social Justice Small Grants program is only available to NOT FOR PROFIT organisations. This program does not fund individuals or for-profit organisations. If the applicant has no legal status, an agency that does have legal status (non profit) can be asked to auspice the project and hold any grant monies on behalf of the applicant.

Find out more information here

#### **Pathways Out of Homelessness**

Purpose: To bolster sector capacity, collaboration, innovation and demonstrated outcomes in supporting Brisbane residents experiencing or at risk of homelessness to achieve sustainable tenancies Amount: Up to \$450,000 Funding Provider: Brisbane City Council Closing Date: 15 March 2023

The 2022-2025 Pathways out of Homelessness Grant Program will provide \$3 million over three years to bolster sector capacity, collaboration and innovation in supporting Brisbane residents at risk or experiencing homelessness.

Find out how to apply here

#### Lord Mayor's Better Suburbs Grants

Purpose: Program supports not-for-profit community organisations to deliver projects and activities across the city and to maintain, improve and develop community facilities. Amount: From \$10,000 to \$200,000 Funding Provider: Brisbane City Council Closing Date: 13 March 2022

The program comprises two categories.

#### **Community Facility Category**

The <u>Community Facility Category</u> provides funding to improve, develop and maintain community facilities, with preference provided to Council community-leased facilities. Funding is available for both the planning and design, and construction, phases of projects. Applications are accepted and assessed twice each year.

#### **Community Support Category**

The <u>Community Support Category</u> provides funding to support projects that respond to local community needs, improve community facilities and build organisational capacity. There are two rounds each year.

The Community Facility Category will have two rounds. The second round will open on 30 January 2023 and close on 13 March 2023.

The Community Support Category will have two rounds. The second round will open on 20 March 2023 and close on 24 April 2023.

Find out more here

#### **Housing Support Program**

Purpose: Provides funding to community organisations for projects or services that respond to the housing and social needs of homeless people, or those living in social housing. Amount: From \$2,000 to \$10,000 Funding Provider: Brisbane City Council

Closing Date: 13 March 2022

The Housing Support Program aims to:

- enhance support services offered to homeless people and people living in social housing, including support to sustain tenancies. This includes services which focus on empowerment, life skills, employability and opportunities for social inclusion
- provide resources and equipment for projects and programs that meet the needs of homeless people and people living in social housing
- provide packages to support individuals transitioning into social and affordable housing.

Funding is available to develop and improve programs and facilities for homeless people and those in social housing in the inner north of Brisbane, including:

- Bowen Hills
- Fortitude Valley
- New Farm
- Newstead
- Spring Hill
- Teneriffe.

Find out how to apply here

#### **GenQ Health and Wellbeing Queensland Community Grants**

Purpose: Helping to fund community-based projects and research on nutrition, physical activity, sleep, health equity and wellbeing. Amount: \$5,000 to \$20,000 for initiatives up to 12 months Funding Provider: Queensland Government Closing Date: EOI- close 22 March 2023

The aim of the GenQ Health and Wellbeing Community Grants Scheme is to encourage and support community-led initiatives across Queensland to improve health and wellbeing within the community, with a focus on infants, children and young people. The objectives of the scheme are to improve health and wellbeing across nutrition, physical activity, sleep, wellbeing and/or health equity.

Find out more information here

### **GenQ Health and Wellbeing Impact Grants**

Purpose: Helping to fund community-based projects and research on nutrition, physical activity, sleep, health equity and wellbeing. Amount: Up to \$200,000 for initiatives for up to 18 months. Funding Provider: Queensland Government Closing Date: EOI- close 22 March 2023

Research funded through this scheme should focus on the following objectives:

- Developing research partnerships between researchers, decision-makers and communities
- Creating evidence-based research informed by the community need, and input from community, researchers and policy-makers
- Applying research to drive impact and scale at the local and/or state population level, using a systems-based approach to meet the outcomes listed below
- Supporting the selection, adaptation and implementation of innovations that align with local and/or state populations' needs and priorities, and
- Evaluating the effectiveness and further scalability of innovations.

Find out how to apply here

#### **Investing in Queensland Women**

Purpose: The grant program supports community groups and organisations across Queensland's urban, rural and remote regions with resources to lead projects and events designed to create positive change for women and girls. Amount: \$15,000 Funding Provider: Queensland Government Closing Date: 24 March 2023

To assist in getting your idea up and running, the grant program provides one-off grants of up to \$15,000 for projects and events that align with the Queensland Government's strategic priorities and address the unique issues faced by women and girls.

Find out more information here

#### **Westfield Local Heroes**

Purpose: Westfield Local Heroes is a recognition and awards program that shines the spotlight on individuals in Australia and New Zealand who make a positive impact to their local community or environment.

Amount: \$20,000 Funding Provider: Westfield Closing Date: 30 March 2023 Nominating your Westfield Local Hero is one small act that can have a big impact. They feel valued and respected by your recognition, and they are in with a chance to be rewarded with a \$20,000 or \$5,000 grant for the organisation or group they represent.

Nominate someone here

#### **Mazda Foundation**

Purpose: Funding programs that help children with literacy and numeracy . Funding Provider: Mazda Foundation Amount: Not disclosed Closing Date: Round 1: 31 March 2023, Round 2: 30 September 2023

The Mazda Foundation's priorities for grant funding are: Literacy and Numeracy – programs addressing literacy and numeracy issues amongst primary school aged children, especially remedial programs for children from disadvantaged areas; Primary Producers facing hardship – community based organisations with projects supporting primary producers facing hardship; and Medical research – medical research to benefit the Australian community.

Organisations applying for a grant must complete and lodge a Project Notification form. Details must include a précis of the project, how the project relates to the priority area, the amount of funding sought and how it would be used, and the expected outcome of the project.

Once the Foundation selects a project for funding, it may seek a detailed submission from the applicant and/or seek to confer with the applicant.

2022 Rounds closing dates:

Round 1: 31 March 2023. Round 2: 30 September 2023.

Find out more here

#### The Honda Foundation 2023 Funding & Vehicle Loan Programs

Purpose: The Honda Foundation provides grants for financial assistance to charities and organisations working across a range of issues, including supporting the disadvantaged, people with disability or those suffering from illness; relief for victims of natural disasters; promotion of innovation and new technologies. Funding Provider: Honda Amount:Not disclosed Closing Date: 30 June 2023

The Honda Foundation Cash Funding Application Form should be used for requests for monetary funding.

In addition, The Honda Foundation offers a 12-month Vehicle Loan Program which includes registration, insurance and all servicing costs, and is capped at 20 loan vehicles at any one time. Applications are to be made using The Honda Foundation Hero Loan Vehicle form.

- Step 1: Complete application form.
- Step 2: Locate your nearest authorised Motor Vehicle Honda Centre and request to speak with the Dealer Principal.
- Step 3: If the Dealer Principal endorses your application, the application needs to be submitted by via email.

Find out more here

#### RACQ Foundation South East Severe Weather events -Community Grants Program

Purpose: To support charities, sporting and community organisation who have been impacted by natural disaster. Funding Provider: RACQ Foundation Amount: Not disclosed Closing Date: 2 October 2023

Through its Community Grant Program RACQ Foundation gives community groups, charities and sporting clubs the opportunity to rebuild after cyclones, severe storms, bushfires and drought.

Applying to the Community Grant Program is easy with three application rounds per year.

Find out more information here

#### **Dylan Alcott Grants**

Purpose: To help young Australians with a disability fulfill their potential and achieve their dreams Funding Provider: Dylan Alcott Foundation Amount: Unknown Closing Date: Not disclosed

Eligibility criteria:

You're under 25. You have a disability. You have a personal, professional, vocational or sporting goal which you need help with.

Find out more here

#### **Local Sporting Champions**

Purpose: The Local Sporting Champions program provides financial assistance for coaches, officials and competitors aged 12-18 participating in state, national or international championships. Amount: Between \$500 - \$750 Funding Provider: Australian Institute of Sport Closing Date:31 March 2023

If successful, applicants will receive \$500-\$750 towards the cost of attending their championships:

- Base Grant: \$500
- Applicants travelling 800km 1999km to their nominated championships: + \$100
- Applicants travelling internationally or greater than 2000km to their nominated championships: + \$200
- Applicants residing in a rural electorate: + \$50

Find out more here

#### Lord Mayor's Community Fund

Purpose: Supports community projects that build stronger communities in Brisbane. Amount: \$250 - \$10 000 Funding Provider: Brisbane City Council Closing Date: 16 June 2023 or when each ward has fully spent their allocated budget (whichever comes first)

Projects must contribute to the <u>Brisbane Vision</u>, by helping to achieve the aspiration to be a friendly and safe, active and healthy, clean and green or vibrant and creative city.

Applications for funding can be made by community organisations for local projects, or by Councillors to support community events, activities or capital projects.

You can find out more information here

#### **National At Home Care Grants**

Purpose: To enhance the quality of life for young people with high physical care needs and assist them to remain living in their own home with loved ones. Funding provider: Youngcare Amount: Up to \$10,000 Closing date: 30 March 2023

Youngcare's At Home Care Grants (AHCG) provide funding for equipment, home modifications and essential support/respite that is unable to be funded through other means (eg. NDIS). This funding is to both enhance the quality of life for young people with high physical care needs and assist them to remain living in their own home with loved ones.

The grants provide one-off funding of up to \$10,000 to help those aged 16-65 with high physical care needs who are living at home, and are at risk of entering inappropriate housing.

You can find out how to apply here

#### Linc Community Grants

Purpose: To fund projects that benefit the lesbian community in general or one or more groups within the lesbian community. Groups may be racial, cultural, geographic, or may have specific identified needs or shared interests and concerns. LInc considers the children of lesbians as part of the lesbian community. Funding Provider: LInc Amount: \$1,000 Closing Date: Round 1: 18 March 2023, Round 2 opens 1 August and closes 30 September 2023.

Individual lesbians or lesbian based/lesbian-friendly non-profit organisations are eligible to apply for a \$1,000 grant from Lesbians Incorporated (LInc). Applicants will need to demonstrate expertise or experience relevant to the project. To be eligible for funding, projects must demonstrate that they:

- meet an identified social, cultural, educational, health, welfare, recreational, personal development or legal need of the lesbian community;
- target discrimination against lesbians and/or aim to improve the civil rights and/or status of lesbians within the general community;
- aim to improve the access of lesbians to programs, services, activities and opportunities available to the general community;
- aim to increase the vocational training and/or employment opportunities of lesbians.
- Projects may aim to benefit the lesbian community in general or one or more groups within the lesbian community. Groups may be racial, cultural, geographic, or may have specific identified needs or shared interests and concerns. LInc considers the children of lesbians as part of the lesbian community.

Eligible projects are those which reflect the objectives of the Community Grants Program and fall within a category appropriate to the funding program. Categories are:

- Literary, visual or performing arts activities or functions
- Social functions
- Classes or workshops
- Production of information or resources for educational or promotional purposes
- Support groups or services
- Advisory services
- Sporting and recreational activities or functions
- Other appropriate activities or services approved by LInc

You can find out more <u>here</u>

## **Facility Loan Scheme**

Purpose: Low interest loans for upgrades, replacements and improvements on their tennis facilities Funding provider: Tennis Australia Amount: up to \$80,000 Closing date: Ongoing

The Tennis Australia Facility Loan Scheme financially assists affiliated Australian Tennis Clubs, Centres and Associations with upgrades, replacements and improvements on their tennis facilities, by providing low interest loans.

Any club undertaking any facility development work is advised to contact its Member Association Facilities representative to discuss the project with them. Applications for a facility loan must be made through the Member Tennis Association in your state.

You can find out more here

## **Google Ad Grants**

Purpose: Assist charitable groups by providing free advertising to help promote their initiatives Amount: Not Disclosed Funding Provider: Google Closing Date: Ongoing fund

Google Ad Grants is the nonprofit edition of <u>AdWords</u>, Google's online advertising tool. Google Ad Grants empowers nonprofit organizations, through \$10,000 per month in in-kind AdWords<sup>™</sup> advertising, to promote their missions and initiatives on Google search result pages.

More information is available from Google

#### **Rental Grants Program**

Purpose: To help meet some of the costs associated with moving into private accommodation and help people experiencing a housing crisis Amount: No disclosed Funding Provider: Queensland Government Closing Date: Ongoing Fund

A Rental Grant is a once-only grant of two weeks rent to help meet some of the costs associated with moving into private rental accommodation. A Rental Grant helps people experiencing a housing crisis and does not have to be repaid.

#### You may be eligible for a Rental Grant if:

- you have not previously received a Rental Grant
- you're not currently living in the place the Rental Grant is for

- you're an Australian citizen, permanent resident, or have a temporary protection or bridging visa
- you don't own, or part-own
  - o a residential property
  - o a caravan, mobile home or live-aboard boat
- you have less than \$2500 in cash or savings between all the Rental Grant applicants (not including dependents)
- you don't have any outstanding debts with the department
- your combined gross (before-tax) income doesn't exceed the <u>income limits for Bond</u> <u>Loans and Rental Grants</u> (<u>http://www.qld.gov.au/housing/renting/bond-loan-</u> <u>eligibility/index.html</u>)
- you choose a place where the rent doesn't exceed 60% of the total household gross weekly income
- all applicants listed on the tenancy agreement (other than dependant children) are included as applicants for the Rental Grant

You can read more about the grant here

#### **Aboriginal Benefits Foundation**

Purpose: Provides grants to assist Aboriginal communities and individuals by providing funds to support projects which advance the aims of the Foundation, with the current focus on supporting art, literacy, education, health and cultural projects with a connection to Aboriginal art and/or artists.

Funding Provider: Aboriginal Benefits Foundation Amount: \$from \$500-\$1000 Closing Date: 3 March 2023

The ABF has considered the negative impacts of COVID-19 and adjusted its grant priorities accordingly. In 2022/2023, it will support projects:

aimed at improving the physical and mental health and wellbeing (including that of children) of indigenous communities in remote, rural and regional Australia

supporting indigenous arts, acknowledging that this sector has been deeply impacted by COVID-19

that would typically 'fall through the cracks' because they are not eligible for government funding with staged development, for example, deliverables funded in year 1 with scope for additional deliverables with additional funding over year 2-3 subject to progress on a scale that would effectively use a grant of \$5,000-\$20,000 per year (note this is higher than the usual value of one off grants offered).

The other general criteria for grant making by the ABF and the conditions on the application form will still apply.

You can find out more information here

#### Matana Foundation for Young People

Purpose: Give every young person equal opportunity to access skills Amount: \$1,000 - \$10,000

## Funding Provider: Matana Foundation for Young People Closing Date: Ongoing fund

To create a more just society by giving every young person in Australia an equal opportunity to access the skills to negotiate life's journey.

To provide assistance to disadvantaged young people in Australia in order to give them the opportunity to reach their full educational and social potential. To do this by funding projects that address the causes and consequences of youth disadvantage, and by so doing, assist them to gain access to the information, education, skills and resources that enable them to achieve social connectedness, personal significance and social and emotional wellbeing.

More information is available from The Matana Foundation

## <u>Health</u>

## **Continence Aids Payment Scheme (CAPS)**

Purpose: Assists eligible people to receive assistance with some of the cost of continence products. Amount: undisclosed Funding Provider: Department of Health and Ageing Closing Date: Ongoing

The Continence Aids Payment Scheme (CAPS) is an Australian Government Scheme that provides a payment to eligible people to assist with some of the costs of their continence products. If you have permanent and severe incontinence and you are an Australian citizen or permanent resident 5 years of age or older you may be eligible for CAPS.

You can find out more here

#### **Rehabilitation Appliance Program**

Purpose: Helps eligible members of the veteran community to be independent and selfreliant in their own homes. Amount: undisclosed Funding Provider: Department of Veterans' Affairs Closing Date: Ongoing

Health care assessments and the provision of aids and appliances help to minimise the impact of disabilities, enhance quality of life and maximise independence. The Rehabilitation Appliances Program (RAP) provides equipment according to each persons assessed clinical need as part of the overall management of their health care.

If you are a Gold or White Card holder (with assessed need due to an accepted disability), you can access aids or appliances to help you maintain independence in your home through the RAP.

Aids or appliances prescribed through the programme can include:

- continence products
- mobility and functional support aids
- Personal Response Systems
- Home medical oxygen
- · diabetic supplies
- Continuous Positive Airways Pressure (CPAP) supplies.

More information available from here

#### **Medical Aids Subsidy Scheme**

Purpose: Provide eligible QLD residents with permanent or and stabilised conditions or disabilities access to subsidy funding for the provision of MASS endorsed aids and equipment Amount: undisclosed Funding Provider: Queensland Health Closing Date: Ongoing

The Medical Aids Subsidy Scheme (MASS) provides funding for medical aids and equipment to eligible Queensland residents who have a permanent and stabilised condition or a disability. The scheme helps people to live at home and avoid early or inappropriate residential care or hospitalisation.

Aids and equipment are subsidy funded on a permanent loan basis, through private ownership or the supply of consumables. If you pay for more than 50% of the cost for an item, you can choose to take ownership, rather than having a permanent loan. However, this means that you are responsible for all repairs to that item.

More information available from **Queensland Health** 

#### **Medical Cooling and Heating Electricity Concession Scheme**

Purpose: To assist low-income Queenslanders who have specific medical conditions to meet the electricity costs they incur through frequent operation of an air-condition to regulate their body temperature Amount: undisclosed Funding Provider: Queensland Government Closing Date: Ongoing

The Medical Cooling and Heating Electricity Concession Scheme helps with electricity costs for people who have a chronic medical condition, such as multiple sclerosis, autonomic system dysfunction, significant burns or a severe inflammatory skin condition, which is aggravated by changes in temperature. It currently provides \$320.97 (including GST) per year to eligible applicants (eligibility is reviewed every two years).

More information available from here