



Selection Criteria

The primary focus of the Youth Alive Youth Ministry Evangelism Fund is to support Youth Ministries in Victoria to grow their Youth Ministry through evangelistic events and programs.

There are two grants streams available;

Small Grants | \$1,000 - \$2,000

The fund will provide a maximum 75% contribution to the total program/activity cost.

Large Grants | \$2,000 - \$5,000

The fund will provide a maximum 50% contribution to the total program/activity cost.

A successful application will;

- Provide a detailed plan of the program/activity and explain how it will help build a bridge into the local **youth** community and bring the Gospel to young people.
- *If relevant*, include evidence about the needs of your target group (this could include census data for your local area, Mission Australia youth survey data, local news reports, etc.)
- Provide a detailed description of how the plan will be implemented.
- Provide a description of the target audience and how the program/activity will be tailored for them.
- Outline how this evangelistic program or activity is part of a broader strategy to directly connect young people to your youth ministry. (One-off events and activities are fine but they are most fruitful when they form part of an overall strategy that builds relationships with unchurched young people).
- Have previously run Youth Alpha, or include Youth Alpha in their future follow-up strategy (other equivalent programs acceptable).

- Provide a detailed budget and a summary of how your youth ministry's finances are handled.
- Provide a follow-up plan. How will young people and their parents be communicated with after a faith decision has been made (contact within 48 hours). Explain how the follow-up strategy goes beyond the initial phone call.

Other points to consider;

- Think carefully about how this grant could set up your youth ministry **beyond one event**. Are there capital items that could be used again for your next outreach event?

Things the grant cannot cover	Things the grant can cover
Wages	Costs related to Guest Speakers / Artists
Cash Prizes	Specific Prizes (gift cards, giveaways)
Entry Fees for Entertainment	Consumables / Event costs
Property Damage / Fines	External Venue Hire & Related Costs
Venue costs for Church Building	Production / Logistical Costs

If your application is successful, following the completion you will be required to;

- Provide receipts of relevant expenses within 10 business days.
- Provide a final budget.
- Supply photos/video of the program/activity
- Complete a 200-word summary of the activity and its outcomes.
- Provide statistics on the total number of young people in attendance, and the number of faith decisions.