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CALL FOR SUBMISSIONS: EVALUATION OF GRANTS ADMINISTRATION

23 May 2023

The Commission is seeking submissions on the administration of grant funding by South Australian government agencies, to assist its evaluation of grants administration¹.

Invitation to participate

If you have applied for a government grant, received a grant or been involved in the administration of a grant, the Commission would like to hear from you by way of written submission.

What should I write about?

The Commission is evaluating corruption risks in the administration of grant funding by the public sector. The Commission would like to hear from **applicants** and **recipients** about:

- how they learned of the grants program and their decision to apply
- the time and money spent applying for grants
- perceptions of the application process, eligibility criteria, and level of information provided to applicants
- degree of interaction with and support from departmental grants officers
- perceptions of any follow-up or review of an awarded grant
- reasons for withdrawing from a grants process
- the adequacy of information provided to unsuccessful applicants
- any strengths or areas for improvement regarding applying for and receiving grants from the South Australian Government

The Commission would like to receive written submissions from **public officers** and **public authorities** involved with grants administration. Specifically, the Commission would like to learn of:

- any experiences of impropriety in the provision of grants
- whether the practices, policies and procedures underpinning to grants administration are adequate to guard against corruption
- any improvements that could be made to the practices, policies and procedures to strengthen corruption prevention

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How do I make a submission?

Submissions should be made in writing and sent to the Commission by either email or post.

Email:

Please send an email to evaluation@icac.sa.gov.au with the subject line: 'Evaluation of grants administration submission'.

Post:

If you would like to send a hard copy submission, please post it to:

Grants Evaluation
Independent Commission Against Corruption
GPO Box 11066
ADELAIDE SA 5001

Submissions will remain open throughout the evaluation.

More information on the Commission's website: <https://www.icac.sa.gov.au/evaluations-and-reviews/evaluation-of-grants-administration>

For media enquiries please contact 0428 389 493 or media@icac.sa.gov.au.

The publication of this information has been authorised by the Commissioner under section 54 of the *Independent Commission Against Corruption Act 2012*.

¹ The Commissioner announced the evaluation of the practices, policies and procedures of a number of public authorities in relation to grants administration on 25 January 2023:
<https://www.icac.sa.gov.au/documents/Public-statement-Grant-evaluation-25-January-2023.pdf>