

Adult Community Education (ACE) Grants Program

Details of the funding recipients from the 2019 and 2020 ACT ACE Grants Program are provided below.

2019 Round One Recipients			
Organisation	Project Title	Project Description	Grant
Belconnen Community Service	Youth Employment Pathways Hub	The Youth Employment Pathways Hub assists vulnerable young people aged 17-25 years who live, work, or play in Belconnen. This project provides individualised, regular, short-term, support towards meaningful employment. Facilitators use a strengths-based approach, partnering with young people to develop participant-led plans that empower individuals to overcome barriers to education and employment. This involves interactive resume and job-ready workshops, case management, outreach visits, mentoring, job application assistance, and supported referral to education and training opportunities.	\$50,000
MARSS Australia Inc.	Foundation Workplace English and Communication Program	This project assists culturally and linguistically diverse Canberrans to conquer barriers to gaining language, learning and workplace literacy proficiency and support them in obtaining employment or remaining meaningfully employed. Participants develop Level 1 and 2 work-related foundation skills in an accessible and inclusive community setting, with support to build confidence, and acquire skills to effectively communicate in a work environment.	\$49,670
MARSS Australia Inc.	English for Work Entry Program	This project assists culturally and linguistically diverse Canberrans to overcome English language, learning and workplace literacy barriers that inhibit them from obtaining employment. Participants develop Level 2 and 3 work-related foundation skills in an accessible and inclusive community setting, with support to build confidence, and acquire skills to effectively communicate in a work environment.	\$49,670

<p>Support Asian Women's Friendship Association Inc.</p>	<p>Stepping Up: CALD Adults Learning Workplace Computer and English Skills</p>	<p>This project provides digital literacy and English language courses for linguistically diverse Canberrans. Courses are held at the Woden library. The digital literacy course provides foundational and accredited training in drafting workplace documents, communicating via email, and using a variety of office technologies. Upon completion, participants will be encouraged to complete an assessment to gain recognition of their new competencies. English language course participants will enhance their reading, writing, and conversational English skills for workplace and social settings.</p>	<p>\$50,000</p>
<p>Tjillari Justice Aboriginal Corporation</p>	<p>SOS (Surviving-Out-Side)</p>	<p>SOS is an educational program assisting at-risk Indigenous offenders who are re-entering the community after imprisonment or on community-based orders. Support is provided to individuals and their families. Training is provided in digital literacy, leadership within the family, career planning, and identifying job opportunities. Participants are also supported to overcome barriers to learning and to prepare for starting work.</p>	<p>\$50,000</p>
<p>UnitingCare Kippax</p>	<p>Kippax Connections: Intensive Support</p>	<p>The project uses innovative approaches to support participants to identify employment and educational aspirations and work towards their goals. This project aims to assist participants to develop the skills and confidence to overcome barriers to future training and/or employment opportunities. Participants also have access to financial and career counselling and assistance to address homelessness, physical and mental health issues.</p>	<p>\$50,000</p>
<p>UnitingCare Kippax</p>	<p>Kippax Pathways for CALD Disability Workers</p>	<p>This project recruits workers from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds into the disability workforce, to improve access of people living with disability to culturally sensitive support. Applicants willing to work in the disability sector, who meet the appropriate criteria, will be recruited to participate. Applicants assessed as job ready will be supported to enrol in accredited induction training. Applicants with barriers to participation in accredited training will be provided with foundation skills training to support their transition to further training and employment.</p>	<p>\$50,000</p>

2019 Round Two Recipients			
Organisation	Project Title	Project Description	Grant
Support Asian Women's Friendship Association Inc.	Stepping Stone: CALD Background Adults Learning Basic Computer and English Skills	This project provides basic digital literacy and English language courses for linguistically diverse Canberrans. Courses are held at the Gungahlin library. The digital literacy course provides foundation skills in digital technology to undertake simple workplace tasks. The English language course assists participants to enhance their reading, writing, comprehension and conversational English skills for use in workplace and social settings.	\$50,000
Queanbeyan Multilingual Centre Inc.	Communications for Employment Outreach	This project delivers outreach services to vulnerable migrant and refugee job seekers, providing English language training. This project extends the capacity of the Multicultural Employment Service. The training develops foundation skills in oral communication, providing insight to Australian workplace culture in a non-threatening environment. Barriers to employment and education are addressed, with tools to promote self-esteem and personal achievement.	\$46,400
Tjillari Justice Aboriginal Corporation	More Support for Surviving Out Side	This project extends the capacity of Tjillari's SOS (Surviving Out Side) project to support more Indigenous ex-detainees and their families. The project's learning activities integrate work-related skills development with the building of strong cultural identities. This project also provides specialist case-management support for participants in both projects.	\$50,000
2020 Recipient			
Organisation	Project Title	Project Description	Grant
Worldview Foundation	On the Job Training and Employability Preparedness	This project enables Indigenous long-term unemployed participants to undertake a one month on-the-job and classroom-based employment preparedness pathways program (comprised of non-accredited foundation skills). Positions will be offered to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people first, and additional capacity will be offered to other long-term unemployed persons with barriers to accessing employment.	\$50,000