



Settlement Grants Program

Refugee and migrant settlement services

Ethno-specific support

Welcoming communities

Work in communities to support responsive local services, build capacity and community connections and create welcoming environment

Connected individuals

Work with individuals through provision of casework services to connect to mainstream services

Connected government

Promote access and equity by playing a brokerage and advocacy role with government agencies for new communities

Support for ethno-specific communities

Services or activities

- Full suite of services provided to the broad client group to meet their settlement needs.
- Targeted support for individuals and/or families to help them settle.
- Targeted support for young people from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds to help with their settlement.
- Helping new arrivals to make social connections through community coordination and development.

- Support to build capacity of new communities.
- Training, mentoring and advocacy for emerging community leaders or organisations.
- Engaging with government agencies and refugee and migrant settlement services providers to facilitate access to services.

Funding

- Move from project-based to service-based funding in recognition of the ongoing nature of settlement work generally for three years.
- Specific criteria to be met but where there are no such organisations funding to be provided to generalist organisations with relevant service delivery experience.
- Strong preference to direct funding towards organisations that have proven experience in providing refugee and migrant settlement services.
- Capacity to extend funding for a further 2 (ie 3+2) years based on performance, client numbers and needs

- Funding to ethno-specific organisations and ethno-specific peak bodies representing arrivals in new and emerging communities.

Improved program administration

Capacity to extend funding for a further 2 (i.e.3+2) years based on performance, client numbers and needs

Streamlined application process with opportunity to seek clarification during assessment process

Enhanced national guidance and assistance during assessment process

Flexible work programs and emphasis on effective relationship management

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Key changes to the 2012-13 Settlement Grants Program (SGP) round:

- grants for up to three years with the option to extend for two more years
- moving primarily from project—based to service—based funding in recognition of the ongoing nature of settlement work
- funding for refugee and migrant settlement services and support for ethno-specific communities
- new SGP principles—creating welcoming communities; connecting individuals with mainstream services, promoting access and equity
- new services—casework, group activities, community coordination or development, youth settlement services and support for emerging ethno-specific communities