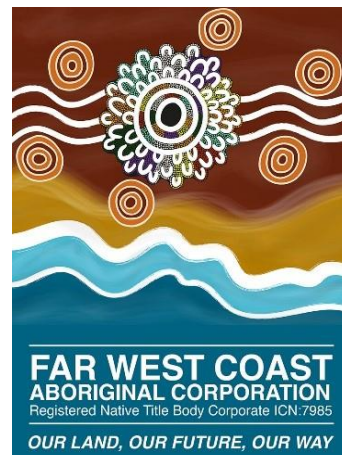


Exceptional Circumstances Policy and Application form



PURPOSE

The intent of this policy area is to provide a financial contribution towards essential items and/or services when an exceptional circumstance occurs, and funding cannot be obtained from any other agency or means (An exceptional circumstance is defined as an extremely rare event and not a circumstance that regularly occurs within a community).

The funding assistance is not intended to cover members for their general costs of living when they experience financial hardship for any other reason.

WHO CAN APPLY?

- FWCAC registered member
- Aboriginal people currently living in the Native Title Determination area for at least 10 years.
- Any person who is the primary carer of a FWCAC eligible child under the age of 18 years.

WHAT TYPES OF MATTERS MAY BE FUNDED?

When an extremely rare events occurs such as:

- Natural disaster occurs (such as flood, fire, explosions) and it is confirmed that another agency is either not available and/or cannot support the applicant.
- Other rare incidents occur that severely affect a member's ability to remain safely in their own home (e.g serious crime).

Funding for the above events may be considered for the following priority areas:

- a) Temporary accommodation (up to a maximum of 3 nights) when it is unsafe for a member to remain in their home where other agencies aren't able to assist.
- b) Pharmaceutical supplies
- c) Food and/or clothing

- WHAT TYPES OF MATTERS WILL NOT BE FUNDED?

- Funding will not be provided when:
 - a) funding from an application under another FWCAC policy area has been fully spent.
 - b) An application under another FWCAC policy area has been declined due to not meeting the policy criteria.
 - c) Funding has already been received, or is being received for the same purpose from the FWCAC Group (i.e duplicate, simultaneous or concurrent funding).

- An application received from a person applying on behalf of a FWCAC eligible child, and the applicant is not the primary carer of that child.
- More than 1 application per event.
- Any loss or damage to an applicant's business
- Utilities such as power, water, phone
- Capital items
- Hire vehicles, taxis, and Uber services.
- Vehicle registration, insurance, repairs and maintenance or vehicle mileage for travel
- Alcohol, gambling or tobacco products.
- Any loss or damage to an applicant's business interests
- Loss of property or personal items due to:
 - a) Failure of utilities
 - b) Lack of maintenance
 - c) Failure of applicant to manage their finances
- Household repairs and maintenance.
- Legal fees
- Credit cards or loan repayments.
- Birthday arrangements.
- Nungkri services including fuel and accommodation to see a nungkri.
- Direct payment of cash and/or bank deposits to individuals.
- Reimbursement of costs already paid by or on behalf of the applicant.
- Cost to attend and appear in judiciary matters.

- MANDATORY CRITERIA

In assessing applications, the Far West Coast Aboriginal Corporation requires applicants to meet all of the mandatory criteria:

- Evidence supplied of the exceptional circumstance.
- Evidence is required of assistance sought from other agencies.
- This application is restricted to applicants residing in South Australia.

- APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

Applications for funding must:

- Be in writing and in the approved application form as provided by the Far West Coast Aboriginal Corporation.
- Nominate the amount of funding assistance required.
- Be submitted to the mailbox or email address on the application form.
- Address the mandatory criteria outlined in the policy.

POLICY GUIDELINES

- Where other agencies have specialised responsibilities to provide funding, FWCAC staff may redirect members to those agencies for assistance.
- Applications will be subject to the policy and funding criteria at the time the application is lodged.
- The FWCAC board sets an annual budget per policy once the expenditure has exceeded its annual allocation, funding assistance may be declined.
- FWCAC funding is a contribution toward the cost, not necessarily the whole cost.
- Any travel & accommodation arrangements will be made by FWCAC staff using the most cost-effective arrangements for FWCAC
- Payment is made to suppliers only.

EXCEPTIONAL CIRCUMSTANCES APPLICATION FORM

1. Applicant

First Name	Last Name
<input style="width: 95%;" type="text"/>	<input style="width: 95%;" type="text"/>
Date of Birth	Residential /Postal Address
<input style="width: 95%;" type="text" value=" / /"/>	<input style="width: 95%;" type="text"/>
Phone	<input style="width: 95%;" type="text"/>
<input style="width: 95%;" type="text"/>	<input style="width: 95%;" type="text"/>
	Email
	<input style="width: 95%;" type="text"/>

Are you a registered member of the Far West Coast Aboriginal Corporation (please circle)?

Yes / No – Please list your parents/grandparents (below)

Please list below any or other Native Title Groups you are associated or registered with?

2. What would you like help with?

<input style="width: 95%;" type="text"/>
<input style="width: 95%;" type="text"/>
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3. Supporting Documents

Please attach supporting documents such as quotes, evidence to support the exceptional circumstance.

Description of expenses	Name of supplier (who is being paid?)	Date Required	Amount required
<input style="width: 95%;" type="text"/>	<input style="width: 95%;" type="text"/>	<input style="width: 95%;" type="text"/>	\$ <input style="width: 80%;" type="text"/>
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4. Your contribution?

Are you able to contribute toward this? **Yes / No** If yes, how much? \$ _____

5. Other Funding

Please list below the amount of any other funding or assistance from other organisations

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6. How will this funding assistance help you?

7. Applicant's Declaration

- I acknowledge that staff from the FWCAC will make enquiries about this application.
- I understand that incomplete applications will not be considered.
- I authorise FWCAC staff to make enquiries to any other agency or organisation to assist with my application for funding.

Signed

X

Date

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Please return the completed application form to:

Post: Far West Coast Aboriginal Corporation
PO Box 596
CEDUNA SA 5690

FWCAC Building at -
62 Poynton Street
CEDUNA SA 5690

Email: administration@fwcac.org.au

Phone: (08) 86253340