

Project Coordination Fund

The Commonwealth Accessible Australia Initiative:

Increasing inclusion in Australian communities

The Australian Government is investing \$17.1 million from 2024-25 to 2027-28 to increase inclusion in community spaces for people with disability across Australia through the Commonwealth Accessible Australia initiative (Accessible Australia).

The Australian Government will provide a **one-off payment** to eligible state and territory governments through the **Project Coordination Fund**.

What is the Project Coordination Fund?

The PCF is a one-off payment to eligible states and territories that take up the Accessible Australia funding offer. Funding from the Project Coordination Fund is intended to supplement the resourcing required to facilitate development and implementation of Accessible Australia projects.

Are all states and territories eligible for the PCF?

Project Coordination Fund funding will be made available to states and territories that have committed to build a pre-determined number of Accessible Australia amenities. The number of committed amenities required to quality varies between jurisdictions, accounting for differences in size and population.

Jurisdictions	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	NT	ACT
Number of amenities to quality	5	5	5	5	5	3	3	3

Eligible amenities include those funded under the current Commonwealth Accessible Australia initiative and the previous Commonwealth Changing Places initiative. Eligibility is calculated on cumulative total from financial years 2022-23 through 2027-28.

Amenities within each jurisdiction that were **not funded** through the Accessible Australia or Changing Places initiatives will not be included in the cumulative total.

How will eligible jurisdictions receive the one-off payment?

The one-off Project Coordination Fund payment will be provided directly to each state and territory treasury via a Federation Funding Agreement (FFA) in the first financial year in which the minimum amenity requirement is met.

Are local councils, organisations or third-party co-funders eligible for the Project Coordination Fund?

No. Only eligible state and territory governments can receive Project Coordination Fund funding, as they responsible for the management and delivery of agreed amenities under the relevant FFA. State and territory governments will decide how best to allocate Project Coordination Fund funding.

Further information and contacts

Further information on Accessible Australia can be found on the <u>Department of Social Services website.</u>

The department can be contacted directly via email at AccessibleAustralia@dss.gov.au.