

Key Benefits of Multi-Year Grants

1. Financial Stability and Predictability

- Enables organisations to plan with confidence and manage resources more effectively.
- Reduces the risk of service disruption due to funding gaps.
- Supports long-term employment and staff retention.

2. Greater Impact and Strategic Planning

- Encourages organisations to focus on long-term outcomes rather than short-term outputs.
- Facilitates deeper, systemic change in communities.
- Allows for more meaningful monitoring, evaluation, and learning.

3. Reduced Administrative Burden

- Minimises time and resources spent on repeated funding applications.
- Streamlines reporting processes, freeing up capacity for service delivery.
- Encourages innovation by reducing the pressure of short-term performance metrics.

4. Stronger Relationships and Trust

- Builds a more collaborative and trust-based relationship between funders and funded organisations.
- Encourages open dialogue, learning, and shared problem-solving.
- Supports capacity building and organisational resilience.

5. Equity and Inclusion

- Levels the playing field for smaller and grassroots organisations that may lack the capacity for frequent applications.
- Enables sustained engagement with marginalised communities.
- Helps address structural inequalities in funding access and delivery.

Key Benefits of Unrestricted¹ Grants

1. Stability and Sustainability

- Enables long-term planning and investment in organisational development.
- Reduces reliance on short-term project grants.

2. Flexibility

- Allows groups to allocate funds where they are most needed (e.g. salaries, rent, utilities, training).
- Supports rapid response to emerging community needs.

3. Capacity Building

- Helps strengthen governance, leadership, and infrastructure.
- Supports staff retention and wellbeing, reducing burnout and turnover.

4. Innovation and Impact

- Encourages experimentation and innovation without the constraints of project-specific outcomes.
- Enables organisations to focus on mission-driven work rather than chasing funding.

¹ Unrestricted funds are donations that the group may use for any purpose so long as it meets the aims and objectives of the group outlined in their governing document.