

Grant Funding Guidelines

Primary Objective

To provide **direct relief** to disabled or disadvantaged children residing in Australia who are under **18 years of age**, whose medical needs are unable to be fulfilled by existing public benevolent institutions and government schemes (including the NDIS).

Direct Relief

The **direct relief** will include the following:

- Funding for the purchase of medical equipment for the children to assist them in their daily activities.
- Funding of medical treatment for the children to alleviate their illness or disability.
- Funding for the transport of the children to attend medical treatment (this may include contribution towards the purchase of specialised/modified motor vehicles).
- Funding for counselling of the children to assist in managing emotions of helplessness and loneliness they may be experiencing due to their situation.
- Funding to assist in the provision of home care for the children, enabling their carers to have some time to themselves.

Eligibility for Funding

- Applicants must be under the age of 18 years
- Applicants must be disabled, disadvantaged, sick, have special needs or be experiencing some form of hardship
- Applicants must physically reside in Australia

What we fund

Examples of things we provide funding for:

- Wheelchairs
- Activity Frames
- Gap Payments
- Bed Rails
- Shower/bath/toilet chairs or adjustable height chairs
- Contributions towards modified vehicles or bikes or specialised car seats
- Counselling and various types of therapies
- Specialised computer hardware or software
- Specialised and innovative medical treatment
- Hydro spas

What we don't fund

Grant applications may be refused where:

- Alternative funding sources (eg NDIS) are available.
- The funding is for future use and such use will not commence presently. This is on the basis that a child's medical or financial circumstances may significantly change from the original assessment.
- It is likely that Aussie Kidz Charity will be unable to maintain an ongoing relationship or communication with the child eg if the child will be moving from Australia
- If funding is required retrospectively (eg if you have already purchased the goods/services).
- Aussie Kidz Charity does not have the appropriate resources or funding available to make the grant at the relevant time.

How to Apply

- Applications for grants are to be made in writing using the Aussie Kidz Charity "Grants Application form" and witnessed by either a qualified legal practitioner, a Justice of the Peace, or a Commissioner for Declarations. The Grant Application form can be downloaded [here](#).
- Provide a Jpeg file photograph of the child for whom the grant is sought.
- Provide a letter of support from a qualified medical practitioner (eg a General Practitioner or a Paediatrician). In certain circumstances, a letter of support from other therapists (eg a Physiotherapist or Occupational Therapist) may be accepted.
- Provide proof of any funding applications (eg to the NDIS) that are either unsuccessful or are relevant for gap payments.
- Provide supporting financial documentation (payslips, tax return or Centrelink statements).
- Provide a current quote (not more than 3 months old) which identifies how much the equipment or services cost.
- Grant applications should be emailed to grants@aussiekidzcharity.org.au or posted to:

Aussie Kidz Charity Ltd (care of Gay Group of Companies)
3/16 Metroplex Avenue
Murarrie QLD 4172

Additional Information

- There should only be one grant application per family in a 12 month period.
- The Aussie Kidz Charity Board of Directors assess each individual application on its own merits.
- For a grant application to be successful, the Aussie Kidz Charity Board of Directors must unanimously support and approve the application. Aussie Kidz Charity will endeavour to provide a decision for applications within 6 weeks from the time the application is submitted.
- Aussie Kidz Charity will provide the necessary equipment or services applied for and in no circumstances provide the applicants with money.