

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.
- Funding of assistance dogs to provide emotional and other support so the children can maintain a level of independence.

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
- Assistance dogs
- 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.

Download the Aussie Kidz Charity Grants Funding Guidelines (PDF 2MB).