

2026 AgriFutures Rural Women's Acceleration Grant

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in women involved in Australia's
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Rural Women's
Acceleration Grant

Who can apply?

- Applicants need to be over 18 years old and identify as female.
- Applicants must have an idea, cause or vision (not yet realised) which aligns with one or more of three categories: Community, Collaboration, Commercial.
- Idea, cause or vision will have a positive impact on rural communities or businesses.
- RWA State/Territory Winners, National Winners and Runner-Ups are ineligible to apply for the grant, however all other RWA Alumni (State Finalists) are eligible to apply.
- The idea, cause or vision in its early stages must align to a minimum of two of the values below:
 - Empathetic
 - Authentic
 - Cooperative
 - Confident
 - Courageous
 - Grit
 - Resourceful
 - Pragmatic
 - Clarity of Purpose
 - Inclusive
 - Innovative
- Applicants need to be Australian citizens or permanent residents.
- Applicants must not be a Related Party of AgriFutures Australia.
- No formal qualifications are required.
- Applicants must own the business, project or program that their application is based on.

When we refer to “rural industries” we mean agriculture, forestry and fisheries.

What is the application process?

Visit our website for more information on the Acceleration Grant, the application form and specific application open and close dates.

For more information and to apply, visit agrifutures.com.au/acceleration-grant

Date	Activity
Wednesday, 10 September 2025	Applications open (online)
Friday, 7 November 2025	Applications close
November 2025	Applications reviewed and shortlisted
December 2025	Applicants notified of outcomes

What do successful applicants receive?

Seven Australian women per annum are granted with a learning and development bursary (not cash) of up to \$7,000 for professional development to enable them to bring their idea, cause or vision to life.

These will be awarded on merit, not per State/Territory and there will be no formal announcement of recipients.

Selection criteria of the Grant

- Selection Criteria 1**
Explain your idea, cause or vision.
- Selection Criteria 2**
How does your idea, cause or vision align to the Community, Collaboration or Commercial categories?
- Selection Criteria 3**
What leadership skills and development opportunities are you interested in pursuing to turn your idea, cause or vision into a reality?
- Selection Criteria 4**
What learning and development opportunities would you spend the \$7,000 Acceleration Grant on?

