

Strong Roots for our Futures Program

Peer Assessors Panel

January 2021



Peer Assessors Panel – Expressions of Interest

What is the Peer Assessors Panel?

The Peer Assessors Panel will be made up of 2-5 Traditional Owners from each of the Mid North West, Central North, North East and Far East Gippsland regions. Peer assessors will be selected from the Panel to independently assess applications to the Program for small projects and large projects.

How do I apply?

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

Traditional Owners from the regions can submit an Expression of Interest to be a part of the Peer Assessors Panel. The Expression of Interest will ask applicants for the following information:

- Who's your mob and where do you live?
- What's your age group?
- Why would you like to be a peer assessor and what would you bring to the assessment process?
- What is your experience and knowledge in one or more Program outcomes of healing, culture and Country, governance, young people and relationships?
- What is your experience in planning and implementing meetings or projects?

You complete the form online at <http://aboriginalvictoria.vic.gov.au/strong-roots-our-futures-program-peer-assessors-panel> or request a pdf form to complete and send to the Program team by:

- email: Strongroots.Program@dpc.vic.gov.au
- post: Strong Roots for Our Futures Program, Aboriginal Victoria, GPO 4912, Melbourne Victoria 3001

Assessing Expressions of Interest

Expression of Interest will be assessed against the Program principles and the following Assessment Criteria:

SKILLS AND EXPERIENCE

Understanding and expertise in one or more Program outcomes:

- Healing
- Governance
- Young people
- Culture and Country
- Building relationships

Experience in planning and implementing meetings or projects

DIVERSITY

- 2-5 assessors for each region
- Gender balance
- Mix of people of different age groups

The Program team will make recommendations to the Executive Director of Aboriginal Victoria who will make the final decision to appoint Traditional Owners to the Peer Assessors Panel.

Expressions of Interest close on 12 March 2021



Role of Peer Assessors

ASSESSMENT OF PROJECT APPLICATIONS

Peer assessors will be selected from the Panel to independently assess applications to the Program for small projects and large projects. A minimum of two peer assessors will assess each project.

Peer Assessors will not assess projects related to their region or where they have a conflict of interest.

COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Peer Assessors will review project applications against the assessment criteria and will provide comments and recommendations to the Program team. These will be provided to the Executive Director of Aboriginal Victoria or the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs for final decision about Program support.

PAYMENT

Peer Assessors will be paid per application. Payments are based on the number of applications and assessment time per application.

- Small project applications will take between 1 -2 hours to complete and will be paid at \$100 per application.
- Large project applications will take between 2 - 3 hours to assess and will be paid at \$200 per application.

PRIVACY AND INFORMATION MANAGEMENT

The names of the Peer Assessors Panel and the Peer Assessors for individual application assessments will not be disclosed.

The Peer Assessors must not disclose any information related to the project application.

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