
MEMORANDUM

To: NGOs/NPOs Interested in Funding Opportunities

From: Head of Ministry, Cultural Affairs and Sport, Western Cape Government

Subject: Step-by-Step Guide to Apply for Funding in Sports and Arts & Culture Sectors

Introduction:

The Department of Cultural Affairs and Sport (DCAS) is committed to supporting NGOs and NPOs through funding for initiatives that contribute to the development of sport and arts & culture in the Western Cape. Below is a clear process for applying for funding in these sectors.

1. Arts & Culture Sector

Who Can Apply:

- Registered arts and culture organizations.
- Artist groups, individuals, and arts event companies based in the Western Cape.

Funding Categories:

Includes but is not limited to gender-responsive programs, cultural tourism, literature, visual arts, performance, and new works (refer to [DCAS Arts & Culture Funding](#)).

Application Process:

1. **Prepare Documentation:** Have proof of registration, project description, and outcomes aligned with funding categories.
2. **Access Online Portal:**
 - Visit [DCAS Arts & Culture Funding Application](#).
3. **Submit Application:** Complete and submit all required information by the deadline:
 - Current window: Closes **8 March 2024** (16:00).
 - Future window: **13 January – 24 February 2025**.
4. **Contact for Assistance:**
 - Fareedah Hunter: Fareedah.Hunter@westerncape.gov.za | 021 483 9822.

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2. Sports Sector

Who Can Apply:

- Western Cape and District sport federations.
- Participants in SASCOC-approved high-performance programs.

Application Process:

1. **Check Eligibility:** Funding is available for federations and not individual athletes.
 2. **Prepare Documentation:** Include proof of SASCOC validation, Protea Colours, and federation recognition.
 3. **Access Online Portal:**
 - Visit [DCAS Sports Funding Application](#).
 4. **Submit Application:** Applications for the 2025/2026 period open **1 July – 30 September 2025**.
 5. **Contact for Assistance:**
 - Crystal Pather: Crystal.Pather@westerncape.gov.za | 021 483 9865.
 - Full contact list: See [Sports Funding Document](#).
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Additional Opportunities:

1. Year Beyond Program:

Explore youth development and other opportunities via the Year Beyond website:

[Year Beyond Website](#).

2. National Lottery Call for Applications:

Apply for additional funding through the National Lottery. The next call opens **2 December 2024**. www.nlca.org.za

Important Note:

Councillors must not apply on behalf of NGOs/NPOs. Organizations should apply directly to DCAS following the respective processes for their sector.

For further information, visit [DCAS Funding](#).
