Public Libraries Info Session: Allocation Model

What do the changes mean for Local Governments?





Tier 1 Local Governments

- Receive annual cash grant (notional grant at time of implementation) for library materials
- Up to 20% of grant can be used for identified library priorities
- Develops own profile for Supplier Assisted Selection
- Stock remains the property of LG, but remains part of state-wide ILLs system
- Does not participate in a system to rotate stock
- May apply for (proposed future) innovations grants



Image source: City of Stirling

Tier 1 Local Governments

Library Priority Grant

- You can spend 100% on library materials
- Up to 20% of grant may be spent on specific library projects other than library materials
- 80% must be spent on library materials
- Grant proposals should align with LG Strategic Community Plans and State priorities, and meet Grant objectives
- Mandatory Grant Submission and Acquittals process.



Image source: City of Stirling

Investigate or implement new/emerging technologies

- Installation of free public WiFi
- 3D printing, VR and AR technologies, touchscreen panels
- Library vending machines
- Digitisation projects
- Equipment for digital inclusion programs eg STEM programs, technology hubs, maker spaces
- Doesn't include: ongoing operation/admin costs eg software licence fees, on-going operational costs for existing/new technology



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Research projects and strategic planning relating to public library services and programs

- Evaluation studies, ROI investigations, benchmarking, community needs analysis, literacy plan, marketing plan, strategic planning
- Doesn't include: feasibility studies for new libraries, staff salaries for projects



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Start-up festivals and events

- Engaging an event organiser, eg inaugural poetry/writer's festival, ideas festival, technology fair
- Purchase of equipment, venue hire, venue promotion, printing
- Doesn't include: ongoing costs delivering new or existing festivals/events, staff salaries, admin costs



Development and delivery of new or pilot services or programs

- Engage consultant to develop a new program or service, eg shopfront library
- Purchase equipment to establish a new service eg Seed Library
- Doesn't include: ongoing operational/admin costs, staff salaries



Image source: Karalee Library Pod, Ipswich Libraries, QLD

Upgrading/extending service spaces

- Furniture/equipment for a digital innovation hub, youth space, small business space
- Doesn't include: building infrastructure and maintenance costs, eg carpet, painting





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- New model implemented from 1 July 2020
- SLWA will advise LG total notional grant allocation from 1 June 2020
- Grant applications will be accepted by SLWA from 1-30 June 2020
- Grant funding will be distributed in July/August 2020
- Acquittals due 31 July 2021



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Tier 2 Local Governments

- Receives notional annual grant allocated by SLWA for the purchase of library materials
- May apply for (proposed future) grant funding to advance promising practices for regional and remote library services
- Materials provided by SLWA supplier selection process via a generic profile
- Participates in a system to rotate stock
- Has access to additional SLWA facilitated services for regional and remote public library services

Tier 3 Local Governments

- Receives a notional annual grant allocated by SLWA for the purchase of library materials
- Materials provided via SLWA supplier selection process via a generic profile
- Participates in a system to rotate stock
- Is not eligible to apply for innovation or grant funding
- Has access to additional SLWA facilitated services for regional and remote public library services

Facilitated Workshop – Question One

What are the issues and opportunities for local government public library services with the implementation of the proposed new allocation model?

Facilitated Workshop – Question Two

What are the issues and opportunities for your public library service with the implementation of the proposed new allocation model?

Next Steps

- Gather feedback & PLWG review
- SLWA will advise LG of total notional grant allocation from 1 June 2020
- Grant applications will be accepted by SLWA from 1-30 June 2020
- New Model implementation from 1 July 2020
- Grant funding will be distributed in July/August 2020
- Acquittals due 31 July 2021

Thank You

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