

Providing facts and data about why your project should happen and what impact your project will have will strengthen your application. Here is a list of places to source and ways to provide evidence. The relevant sources for your application will depend on the project and the funding provider.

### Letters of support

- Letters of support show evidence of a community need for your project. Ask organisations or members of your community who are key stakeholders or decision makers to provide you with one.
- Ensure the letter of support shows support for the project as well why your organisation should run the project.
- It should also clearly outline the contribution (if any) of the supporting organisation, e.g. \$x cash, \$x in-kind and/or \$x use of equipment.

### RDANT [.id Community](#) and [Economic Profiles](#)

- These sites provide a user-friendly way to access a range of demographic and economic data for NT Local Government areas.
- The .id Economic Profile includes a tool to perform economic impact analysis for projects and events. Contact RDA NT to access information on how to use this tool.
- Information is sourced from ABS and other government data collecting agencies.

### [ABS Regional Data](#)

- Provides a range of demographic and economic data and reports.

### Government strategy documents

- Reference strategy documents to show how your project aligns with Local, State or Federal Government Priorities.
- Choose strategy appropriate to the level of government providing the grant – E.g. the [NT Economic Development Framework](#) or [Population Growth Strategy](#) are useful for NT Government grants and the [Developing Northern Australia White Paper](#) may be appropriate for an Australian Government grant.
- There may also be a strategy document related to your location (e.g. [Jabiru Masterplan](#)), project output (e.g. [NT Tourism Industry Strategy](#)) or project outcomes (e.g. [Closing the Gap](#)).

### Government agency, university, industry peak body, independent think tank or other research reports

- Reference reports related to your project area, by organisations that will be respected by the funding body.
- Examples include reports from the [Regional Australia Institute](#), submissions to [Productivity Commission](#) inquiries and their reports and reports from [Senate](#) and [House of Representative](#) inquiries.

### [The Conversation](#)

A good way to access scientific information and opinions of researchers in an easy-to-read format and without having subscriptions to scientific journals.

### Evidence of community consultation

- Documenting all community consultation activities is an additional way to show community support.
- Ways to document this include conducting community surveys or submitting minutes from community meetings.

### Pictures

- Show photos wherever possible to demonstrate what a project will look like or what the current problem is. E.g. if you want to replace a building, show a picture of what the current facilities look like. If you are in a remote place and want to demonstrate the need for a service, add a map of the location to show why you can't pop into the next town to access that service.

