

FOR ALL ORGANISATIONS RECEIVING AN EXTENSION



Dear Grant Recipient

You are receiving this email to confirm that **one or more of your current DSS funded activities has been identified for a two month extension.**

The Department is offering **two month funding extensions** to the majority of existing grant agreements due to expire on 31 December 2014 to ensure continuity of important community services over the Christmas/New Year period. A full list of extensions is available on the [DSS Website](#).

Extending existing arrangements will allow the Department additional time to assess the unforeseen volume of complex and high quality grant applications submitted in the recent selection processes for funding under DSS' *New Way of Working for Grants*.

The outcomes of the selection process will be announced by the end of December 2014. This will provide time for negotiation of grant agreements with applicants successful in the selection process before new funding for those agreements commences on 1 March 2015.

Next Steps

In the coming weeks you will receive an email from DSS detailing the specifics of your extension, including the amount of funding and contact details for your DSS Grant Agreement Manager. Funding for extensions will be offered through a simple variation to your existing agreement, allowing you to continue delivery of your current services under the same arrangements that you have in place now.

If you have not received an email or been contacted by your DSS Grant Agreement Manager by 30 November 2014, please contact the Department via grants@dss.gov.au or call the DSS Grants Hotline on 1800 625 136 (TTY 1800 555 677).

More Information

For more information on DSS grants and the arrangements for extensions please visit dss.gov.au/grants. The website is the best source of information and will be updated when new information is available. You can also subscribe to receive alerts when new information is available.

Regards

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