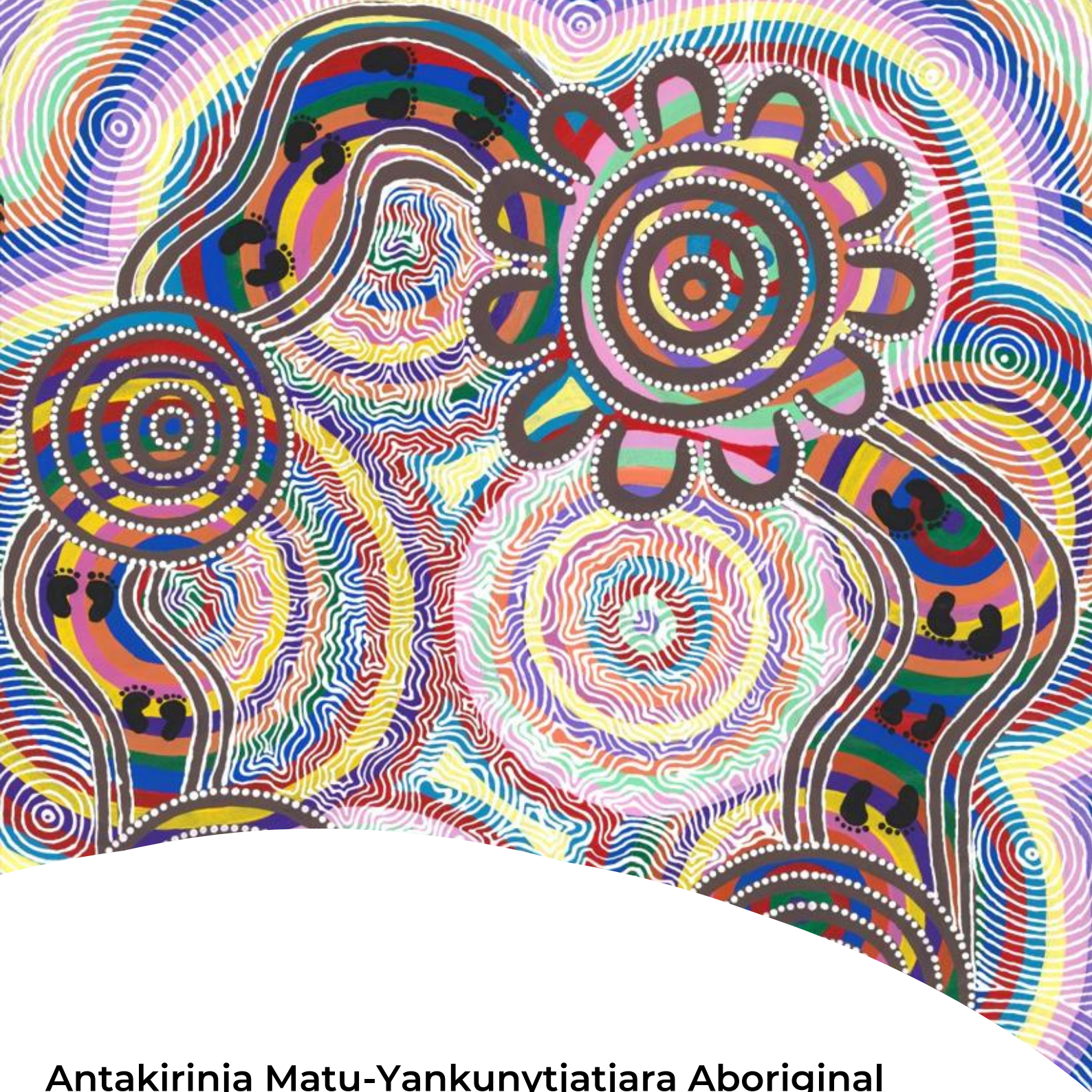




**Antakirinja Matu-Yankunytjatjara Aboriginal
Corporation Indigenous Community Trust
Community Assistance Programs**

Member Benefits Guidelines

2026-2027

About the Trust

The charitable objectives and purposes of the AM-YAC Indigenous Community Trust are:

- The relief of poverty, sickness, suffering, destitution, misfortune and helplessness in the community
- To provide grants, scholarships, donations and other assistance (financial or otherwise) for the education, including tertiary, vocational training, and economic and enterprise training of the members of the community
- To promote health in the community
- To provide for the needs of the elderly and infirm members of the community
- To provide cultural and heritage benefits to the community
- To provide grants and other assistance for the protection and preservation of the natural environment
- To provide transport and communication services to the community
- To provide for the long-term needs of future generations of members of the community
- To promote, protect and maintain the traditional laws and culture of the community
- To provide assistance to the community for housing programs

To provide funding for or to implement community projects, facilities, and activities to further these charitable objects and purposes to the extent that doing so is consistent with Charities Act 2013 or is charitable at law

Important Information for Members

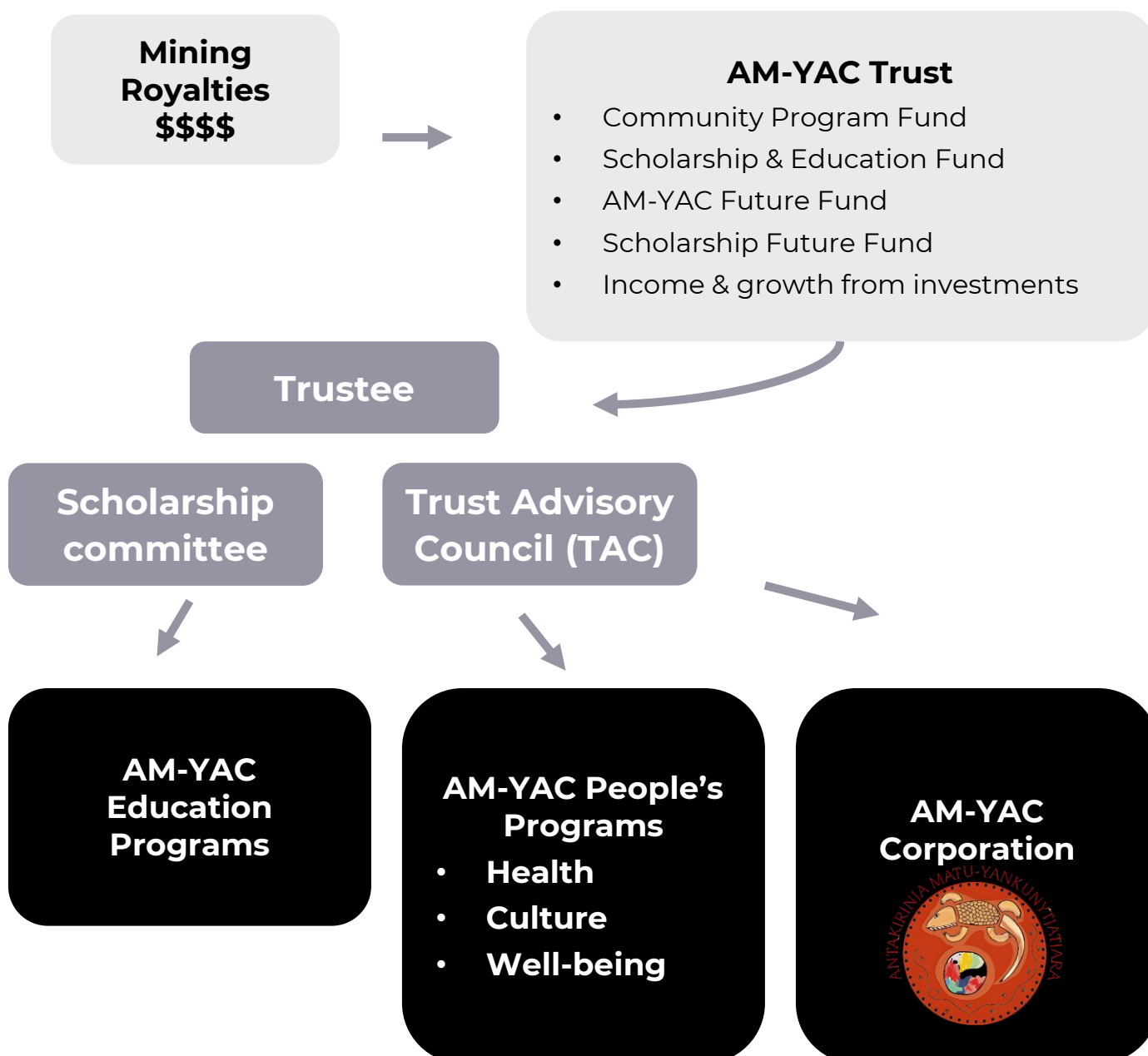
The AM-YAC Indigenous Community Trust provides funding to assist Members in times of need, aiming to support their well-being and development. This assistance is designed to offer temporary help and empower Members to achieve self-sufficiency, rather than creating dependency. While Members are eligible for this support, it is important to understand that it is not an entitlement but a resource available to those who meet the criteria and genuinely need it. Our goal is to foster a strong, resilient community where everyone has the opportunity to thrive.

Community Program Limitations: Members, please be aware that sometimes, when many people use certain programs, those programs might close temporarily during the year. The Trust will do its best to keep them open, but they may need to close to ensure essential and emergency programs remain available for everyone.

How do we fund the programs?

The Trust Advisory Council: The Trust Advisory Council (TAC) works with the Trustee to decide how the trust funds should be spent. The Scholarship Committee makes decisions for the AM-YAC Education Programs.

Trust Funds: Each financial year, the AM-YAC Trust receives contributions, and the funds are used for charitable programs for the AM-YAC people and invested into the Future Funds.



Member Code of Conduct

AM-YAC respectfully acknowledges the Elders of AM-YAC, past, present, and emerging, for their invaluable contributions to our community.

As a member of the AM-YAC Indigenous Community Trust, you are expected to uphold high standards of conduct. The following guidelines must be adhered to:

Respect and dignity

Members must not bully, be abusive, act in a discriminatory or derogatory manner towards others

Confidentiality

Members must not disclose confidential Trust or Member information.

Transparency

Members must not prevent anyone from getting information they are entitled to.

Reputation

Members must not bring AM-YAC into disrepute (i.e., held in low public esteem).

Representation

Members must not speak or claim to speak or give the impression that they speak or claim to be representing or giving the views of AMYAC unless they have been authorised to do so by the majority of the other directors.

Authority

Members must not attempt to speak on behalf of others without the proper authority to do so.

Purpose

Members must not attempt to act for their own purpose, or for the purpose of a group or other organisation of which they are also a member.

Self-Interest

Members must not use their position as TAC director for self-interest. Directors must act in the interests of AMYAC and not seek to gain any advantage for themselves, their family, or friends.

Social Media

Members must not use social media as a platform to discuss Trust business or to influence others in the AMYAC community regarding Trust matters.

Respect for all

Members of the AM-YAC Trust must treat all AM-YAC Members (Including AM-YAC Elders) with the utmost respect and dignity. Any form of abuse, including physical, emotional, financial, or neglect, is strictly prohibited. Members must ensure that all Members are supported, valued, and protected within the community. Any concerns or incidents of abuse must be reported immediately to the trust and/or relevant authorities and addressed promptly and sensitively. By adhering to this rule, we ensure that all of our Members are honoured and safeguarded, reflecting the core values of the AM-YAC community.

AM-YAC Trust Members Poor Conduct Policy

The Trust Advisory Council are excited about the new changes to our programs but would also like to note that member misuse can lead to facing a ban from the charitable programs under the poor conduct policy:

Poor conduct and behaviour from members can have serious consequences, including, suspension of benefits from the Trust. Some breaches may be minor, but if they happen on a regular basis despite warning from Trust Officers, they may be a serious breach or a very serious breach. The Trust Executive Office will keep a Poor Conduct Register that will be provided to the Advisory Council at their meetings. If the Code of Conduct policy is breached, members will be advised by the Trust verbally and in writing.

6 Points = 6 Months Suspension from programs

What is a Minor Breach? (2 points)

- Unacceptable behaviour towards other Members, including AM-YAC committees Members, Trust staff and service providers
- Unacceptable behaviour on social media against other Members, including AM-YAC committees Members, Trust staff and service providers
- Any other offence deemed to be a minor breach by the Trustee.

What is a Serious Breach? (3 points)

- Unacceptable and abusive behaviour towards Members, including AM-YAC committees Members, Trust staff and service providers
- Fraudulent applications
- Damage to or theft of property.
- Non-attendance at AM-YAC AGM or SGM after requesting travel assistance
- Non-attendance at an appointment after food and fuel vouchers have been redeemed
- Any other offence deemed to be a serious breach by the Trustee.

What is a Very Serious Breach? (6 points)

- Personal threats made against Members, including AM-YAC committees Members, trust staff and service providers.
- Major damage to property. (this is an automatic suspension)
- Any other offence deemed to be a very serious breach by the Trustee.
- Abuse, including physical, emotional, financial; including coercing or exploiting AM-YAC Members to gain access to their finances.

(points are reset every year from the date of the breach)

AM-YAC Trust – Member Responsibilities and Outcomes for Misuse of Funds

To ensure fairness and consistency, protection of Trust funds for community benefit, and accountability aligned with respect, transparency, and proper use of resources.

Misuse of Trust funds includes (but is not limited to):

- Using funds for purposes not approved under program guidelines
- Providing false or misleading information in applications
- Failing to use funds for their intended purpose
- Attempting to obtain financial benefit for self, family, or others improperly
- Coercing or exploiting another Member to access their funds
- Repeated misuse or non-compliance with the AM-YAC Member Guidelines

Minor Misuse (2 Points)

Examples:

- Accidental or low-value misuse of funds
- Minor deviation from approved budget without intent to deceive
- Failure to provide receipts or acquittal documentation (first instance)

Response:

- Verbal and written warning
- Education on correct use of funds
- Requirement to rectify or provide documentation

Serious Misuse (3 Points)

Examples:

- Knowingly using funds for non-approved purposes
- Repeated minor misuse after warning
- Failure to attend funded service after vouchers are used
- Providing misleading information to support an application
- Partial fraudulent claim or misuse

Response:

- Formal written notice of breach
- Points recorded on Poor Conduct Register
- Repayment from program funds (where applicable)
- Temporary restriction on relevant program access

Very Serious Misuse (6 Points)

Examples:

- Fraudulent applications
- Intentional financial exploitation of members
- Systemic or deliberate misuse of funds
- Coercion or abuse to access another member's entitlements
- Large-scale or repeated misuse across programs

Response:

- Immediate escalation
- 6-month suspension from all Trust programs
- Mandatory repayment from program funds (where applicable)
- Possible referral to authorities (where required)

Escalation Rules

- Repeated minor breaches may escalate to Serious or Very Serious breaches
- Patterns of misuse trigger higher penalties regardless of individual severity
- Trustee retains discretion to reclassify breaches based on impact or intent

How issues are managed:

2 Points: Warning and corrective action

3–5 Points: Restrictions, monitoring, repayment requirements

6 Points: 6-month suspension from all programs

6+ Points (repeat offences): Extended suspension or further disciplinary action

Additional Measures

- All misuse is recorded in the Poor Conduct Register
- Members notified verbally and in writing of breaches
- Points reset annually from date of breach
- Future applications may require additional evidence, direct payments to suppliers, or pre-approval conditions

Executive Office Services

The Executive Office provides the following services in the support of AM-YAC members on behalf of the Trustee:

- **Communication** – communication with AM-YAC members regarding the Trust's charitable programs and application processes
- **Application handling** – all enquiries and applications for assistance to AM-YAC members
- **Record management** – maintaining confidential records including AM-YAC member entitlement balances.
- **Reporting** – quarterly and annual reports to the Trustee and Trust Advisory Council.
- **Support for the Advisory Council and Scholarship Committee** – issuing meeting notices, preparation of fee schedules and payee advice.
- **Advisor to the Trust** – Providing advice regarding efficient executive office operations and complementary services offered by government and non-government organisation.

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Service Standards

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To submit an application, please use our online system (Fordham AMS), You can use the Fordham AMS on any device that can access the internet. If you need any assistance using the system or logging in, please don't hesitate to contact us, we're happy to help.

If you are not able to use the online system, you may also submit your application to us via email at amyac@fordhamgroup.com.au or call us on: 1800 028 828

How to make an application

Complete online

OR

Email

Use the QR Code below

(Fordham AMS), which can also be accessed via the link below:

https://perpetual.burnsred.com.au/apps/trust_app/#/login

Email your request to:

amyac@fordhamgroup.com.au



Please note: Members who need support and are unable to complete an online application form or use email may ask a TAC representative to assist with application and supporting documentation submission and speak on their behalf. The Trustee or Executive Office will call to confirm details

Contact us

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HEALTH & WELLBEING PROGRAM



For AM-YAC members and AMYAC children or *grandchildren who require support with medical, health and wellbeing. Children may access this through their Parent's or Carers program. The Health and Wellbeing Program can support members, their children or grandchildren to meet the costs of urgent and essential medical requirements which are not government funded. As well as with personal health and Ngangkari. *Grandparents or caregivers applying for assistance for an AMYAC child are required to provide a supporting document that the child is in their care such as a Centrelink family tax benefit letter, or a letter from the GP or a social worker.

Benefits:

Within the Medical, Health and Wellbeing Program, Members may apply for the below assistance:

- **Healthy Living Flexible Program** \$2,000 every 2 years.
- **Medical & Personal Health and Ngangkari:** Up to \$3,000 per Member per year
- **Serious Illness & Emergencies:** Up to \$3,000 per Member/family group per year
- **Serious Illness:** Unlimited for Member on the Serious Illness list
- **Carers Assistance** \$1,000 per year

Conditions:

- Applicants requiring support with costs of medical related travel must provide evidence of an appointment.
- Support with accommodation and food vouchers may be provided during travel associated with attending the medical appointment or treatment and travelling to or from the appointment.
(Please see page 35 for Travel Allowances)

Healthy Living Flexible Program

Up to \$2000 every 2 years

What is it?

This is a flexible program aimed to assist AM-YAC members with the costs of living and to promote a healthy home. **This program may close from time to time in the year depending on funding.**

What can funds be used for?

- Access to and assistance to pay utilities, household expenses and bills
(Utility bills must be in Member's or Partner's name and at Member's registered address)
- Essential Whitegoods: and furniture including installation (essential furniture: wardrobes, tallboys, beds, bedside tables, lounge suites, chairs, dining sets)
- Removal costs, cleaning costs, rubbish removal, assistance with rental costs
- Vehicle repairs and maintenance of the member's family car (Member's will need to provide proof of ownership, must be in Member's or Partner's name)
- For vehicle registration, the family car must be in member's or partner's or family member's name at the same address
- Fumigation and pest control, invoices must be in Member's or Partner's name and at Member's registered address

What can't funds be used for?

- Cash payments
- Reimbursements
- Fines penalties

Medical, Personal Health & Ngangkari

Up to \$3,000 per year

What can funds be used for?

- Dental treatment
- Glasses and optical treatment
- Medication prescribed or recommended by a medical practitioner
- X rays, scans, medical tests, medical treatment prescribed by a Medical Practitioner
- Reasonable travel and accommodation expenses for appointments, or to attend with an AMYAC family member. (as per the food and fuel allowances p35)
- Dialysis treatment related travel – food, fuel, bus ticket
- Food vouchers after the patient has returned home from hospital (up to one week's worth)
- Assistance with Mental Health, such as private counselling, drug and alcohol rehabilitation, mental health programs
- Gym membership costs
- Preventative health measures recommended by medical practitioner e.g., counselling and/or quit smoking programs
- Medical equipment; Hearing aid, CPAP
- Physiotherapy, Podiatry and Chiropractor
- Ngangkari treatments and cultural cleansing of the home

What can't funds be used for?

- Cash Payments
- Items covered by Medicare, government and hospitals
- Non-Prescription glasses
- Vehicle Maintenance and repairs
- Reimbursements
- No direct debits
- No hire fees for medical equipment – purchase only
- Ngangkari not approved by AM-YAC

Serious Illness & Emergencies

Purpose:

For AM-YAC Members with immediate family members in support of a terminally ill or seriously ill AM-YAC member. Or Members with unexpected and emergency medical conditions. Funding to assist a terminally ill or seriously ill AM-YAC members and their immediate family.

An immediate family member or next of kin is to be nominated to communicate with the executive office

Conditions:

A letter from the hospital or a doctor (or government department) must be provided with the first application under this program, to verify that the medical condition requires ongoing treatment and or visits to a medical specialist. Personal or private information is not required.

Benefits:

- **Seriously Ill AM-YAC Members:** Up to \$3,000 per member per year who are seriously ill and require assistance.
- **AM-YAC immediate family members supporting a seriously ill AM-YAC Member:** For AM-YAC family members to attend the bedside of a seriously or terminally ill AM-YAC member. \$3,000 for a family group. An immediate family member to be nominated as family representative.
- **Serious Illness list:** Uncapped for Members currently on the Serious Illness list

What can funds be used for?

- Medical related costs not covered by government
- Travel support (as per travel policy)
- Travel assistance (as per travel policy) for AM-YAC members and immediate family to attend the bedside of a seriously or terminally ill AM-YAC member. Family representative to be nominated to coordinate trust support.
- Accommodation restrictions apply (limit of \$3,000 support to family groups)

What can't funds be used for?

- Travel costs of large family groups. Noting the limit of \$3,000 and Members will need to keep within their budget
- Vehicle maintenance and repairs
- Cash payments
- Reimbursements

Carers Assistance

up to \$1,000 per year

Who is it for?

AM-YAC members and their immediate family where a carer is required to support them with a medical condition.

What is it?

Up to \$1,000 of support to an AM-YAC member with a medical condition to enable a carer to assist them attend appointments and receive medical treatment.

The carer must be nominated by the AM-YAC members' family.

Medical conditions might include:

- A disability
- Are under 18 years of age
- A serious medical condition
- Aged or frail, and
- travelling for medical care.

A support letter from a doctor or a health professional is required.

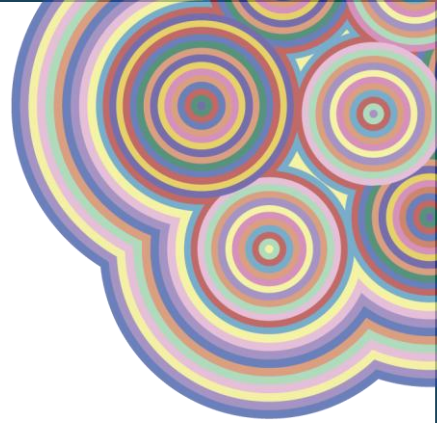
What can funds be used for?

- Travel
- Food
- Accommodation

What can't funds be used for?

- Multiple carers for the same patient
- Vehicle maintenance and repairs
- This support does not extend to the carer's children or carer's partner
- Cash payments

EDUCATION, LORE & CULTURE PROGRAM



Who is it for?

AM-YAC members and children or grandchildren of AM-YAC members. Caregivers are also able to apply.

What is it?

Support to AM-YAC members and their children with costs of education.

The following programs are offered by the AMYAC Scholarship Program:

- **University Scholarship Program:** Fully funded scholarships for up to 5 AM-YAC members to attend university.
- **Private Education Program:** Up to \$7,500 per year for private school education
- **General Education Program:** Up to \$2,500 for Early Years, Primary, Secondary, University, TAFE or similar accredited qualifications
- **Computer Program:** up to \$2,000 per member every 4 years
- **Job Readiness & Career Program:** Up to \$1,000 per member per year to support with employment, study or better their career opportunities
- **Cultural Business:** Up to \$2,000 per year per member
- **Return to Country Program :** Subject to funding availability throughout the year

University Scholarships

Fully funded

Who is it for?

AM-YAC members who are eligible to enrol in a university course. This program is a fully funded program.

What is it?

A competitive scholarship program where up to 5 AM-YAC members may be selected to receive a fully funded scholarship to attend university each year.

Successful applicants may receive assistance in the form of tuition fees, reference materials and equipment, and accommodation and meals costs.

This program is tailored to students who wish to attend University, this program does extend to remote or online learning.

A competitive application process is in place. Applicants must submit the following:

What can funds be used for?

- University course fees
- Student association fees
- Reference materials and essential equipment
- Excursions and/ or camps
- Accommodation costs
- Travel costs

What can't funds be used for?

- TAFE
- Cash payments
- Reimbursement

- An application letter that identifies the university course, career objective and commitment of the applicant
- University enrolment acceptance

Documents that specify course fees, student association fees, course materials and accommodation costs. Applications will be considered at the Scholarship Committee meetings scheduled throughout the year.

Students receiving the support of the University Scholarship Program must provide their most recent academic results each semester to demonstrate their continuing enrolment in the university program.

Applications are considered by the Scholarship Committee, please email your inquiry to the Executive Office.

AM-YAC Private Education Fees

Up to \$7,500 per year per AM-YAC child for private school fees

Who is it for?

AM-YAC members with children attending an independent or private school. Applications must include evidence of all other available funding sources, including any assistance available through ABSTUDY, scholarships, bursaries or other education support programs. Payments will only be made directly to the education provider or service provider upon receipt of a valid invoice, fee statement.

What is it?

Up to \$7,500 of support per student per school year to assist eligible children for their independent or private education costs.

A letter of support or enrolment document from the student's school, will be required.

What can't funds be used for?

- Cash payments
- Reimbursements

New applications: Members are asked to make their application prior to enrolling their child into private education. Applications will be marked as pending until all documents are received.

*This program may be used in conjunction with the General Education Program

*Members may access the General Education funds if their fees exceed the \$7,500

AM-YAC General Education

Up to \$2,500 per AM-YAC member or per AM-YAC child

Who is it for?

AM-YAC members with children attending primary school, high school, or in early learning education settings. **and** AM-YAC members attending a TAFE or similar nationally recognised and accredited training provider or further education institution.

What is it?

Up to \$2,500 of support for education costs

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A support document will be required

What can funds be used for?

- School/education/childcare fees and contributions (members are encouraged to apply for Childcare subsidy).
- School uniforms including hats and items listed in school uniform policy
- Compulsory books, reference and stationary materials listed in school booklists
- Curriculum related excursions and camps
- School sport events registrations, entry or competition fees, compulsory apparel or safety gear
- Items/services required for children with special needs *extra assistance may be accessed through private school program if required
- School music fees
- School laptop hire
- Footwear (sports shoes)
- Sports Club Membership fees, sports clinics and uniforms (out of school sports)
- School bus services
- Trade tools and PPE required for study
- Educational holiday programs and after-school learning activities

Limitations

Limitations:

- Uniforms capped at \$500 per application (private school students may be eligible for up to \$1,000: support document required for the additional cost of \$500)
- Footwear is limited to two pairs per student per year (maximum \$150/pair)
- No travel/food assistance for sports clinics or events
- No Non- accredited courses

Computers & Job Readiness

Computer program

(up to \$2,000 every 4 years)

Who is it for?

AM-YAC members and their children who require a computer for their education or business needs

What is it?

- Households with eligible students may apply for one computer every four financial years.
- Approved applicants can purchase a computer desktop, laptop with Microsoft Office/ iPad or equivalent, a mouse and lap top bag or other necessary accessories, with approximate value of \$2,000
- Business owners will need to provide their ABN

What can funds be used for?

- One laptop per household for primary, secondary school students or tertiary students every four years
- Microsoft Office suite subscription

What can't funds be used for?

- Cash payments
- No gaming devices

Job Readiness Program

(Up to \$1,000 per member per year)

Who is it for?

- AM-YAC member or children under their care who require assistance with purchasing items required to obtain employment, study or better their career opportunities
- What is it?
- Each eligible AM-YAC member can apply for up to \$1,000 per year

What can funds be used for?

- Wi-Fi and Wi-Fi device
- Resume development, interview skills assistance, literacy and computer skills tutoring and upskilling
- Driver's License/passport renewals
- Birth certificate costs
- Proof of ID documents

What can't funds be used for?

- Mobile/Tablet Devices
- Mobile phone credit
- Cash payments

Lore & Cultural Business

up to \$2000 per year

- **Men's Business:** Applications from AM-YAC Members to attend Men's Business are reviewed by the Watis of the Trust Advisory Council – the Cultural Sub-committee.
- **Women's Business:** Applications from AM-YAC Members to attend Women's Business are reviewed by the Kungas of the Trust Advisory Council – the Cultural Sub-committee.

Funding Details:

- Funding is capped at \$1000 per member for each trip and Members are limited to 2 trips per year.

What is Required?

- Confirmation from an appropriate cultural representative or event organiser.

Additional Support:

- **Members:** The program aims to support Members in their cultural journey, ensuring they can participate in cultural ceremony.
- **Discretionary Funds:** Depending on the discretion of the cultural committee, additional funds may be available for AM-YAC members to sponsor younger or associate members. Purchase orders or vouchers will need to be in the AM-YAC Member's name.
- **Assistance is for those travelling during Lore time and assistance is available for eligible people who need to travel for Lore and Cultural Business. The Cultural Sub-Committee must approve participation and assistance before the Cultural Business starts.**

What can funds be used for?

- Fuel to travel to and from business
- Food for the purpose of attending business
- Essential camping equipment such as a swag or tent

What can't funds be used for?

- Vehicle repairs and maintenance
- Cash payments
- Tobacco and alcohol
- Accommodation
- Reimbursement

Return to Antakirinja Matu-Yankunytjatara Country

Subject to funding availability

Who is it for?

The Return to Antakirinja Matu-Yankunytjatara Country program aims to support AM-YAC members and their children or grandchildren to participate in activities that contribute to the education, preservation, sharing and practice of all aspects of Antakirinja Matu-Yankunytjatara culture. The cultural elements include, but are not limited to heritage, return to Antakirinja Matu-Yankunytjatara country (*AM-YAC Native Title Claim area*), kinship, language, visiting places of significance, hunting and gathering. The intention of this program is for education purposes. Trips are limited to up once per year for each applicant.

What is it?

Financial support for AM-YAC members and their children or grandchildren to return to country to participate in cultural and artistic activities associated with AM-YAC culture or study.

Applications from AM-YAC men and boys to participate are considered by the Watis of the Trust Advisory Council – the Cultural Sub-committee. Applications from AM-YAC women and girls to participate are considered by the Kungas of the Trust Advisory Council – the Cultural Sub-committee.

Funding is capped at:

- Up to \$400 for a swag (limit of 1 swag per Member every 5 years)
- \$6,000 for smaller groups of up to 10 people
- \$7,000 for medium-large groups of up to 11-20 people
- \$8,000 for large groups of 21 or more people

Applications to be received from a nominated and appropriate cultural representative or event organiser

*Please note this program may close from time to time during the year depending on funding availability

***Members are required to sign in at the AM-YAC Corporation Office in Coober Pedy and provide photographs of their return to country to: amyac@fordhamgroup.com.au**

***Trips are not to be planned around AGMs or SGM time**

What can funds be used for?

- Fuel to travel to and from country
- Food for the purpose of attending cultural activities or study
- Essential camping equipment such as a swag or tent
- Course/workshop/tour fees

What can't funds be used for?

- Vehicle repairs and maintenance
- Cash payments
- Accommodation
- Reimbursement

MEMBER SUPPORT PROGRAM



The Home and Living program is to support members and their families through different stages of life. These programs can help with everyday living costs, recognise and honor our Elders, provide support when a loved one passes away, and assist families with funeral travel and memorial costs.

The programs currently available are:

Elders A one-off payment to recognise and honor Elders in the AM-YAC community.

Member Funeral Assistance Financial support to help families meet funeral costs when an AM-YAC member passes away.

Funeral Travel Assistance Support for members who need to travel and attend the funeral of a non-AM-YAC family member.

Headstones and Memorials Support with the cost of headstones, memorials and related expenses for immediate family members who have passed away.

Elders Payment

One off payment

Who is it for?

AM-YAC members who are over 45 years of age and considered Elders in the AM-YAC Community will be eligible for a payment of \$3,000.

AM-YAC members who reach 60 years of age will be eligible for a payment of \$5,000.

What is it?

One off payment of \$3000 for 45+ AMYAC Members and a one-off payment of \$5,000 to 60+ AMYAC Members to relieve Elders in the AM-YAC community.

Members wishing to receive the Elders payment, must apply through Executive Office.

What can funds be used for?

- A \$3,000 once off cash payment for members 45 years and over
- A \$5,000 once off cash payment for members 60 years and over.

What can't funds be used for?

- Non AM-YAC members
- A second or third Elders payment

Member Funeral Assistance

Member Funeral Assistance

up to \$15,000 per funeral

Who is it for?

AM-YAC members with an immediate family member who has passed away. Funding **up to \$15,000** for costs associated with holding the funeral.

The deceased's family is required to nominate a person who will coordinate the support of the Trust, including:

- Provide an expenditure budget to the executive office regarding the application of the funds
- Provide documentation that confirms the date and location of the funeral and invoices of expenses to be covered by the Trust
- Determine family members assisted to attend the funeral

Important Note: Under no circumstances will extra funding be considered.

The costs of the Funeral are to be prioritised first

What can funds be used for?

- Returning the deceased's body home
- Undertaker's costs
- Coffin/urn
- Burial costs/cremation costs
- Flowers and casket wreath
- Clothes for pall bearers and deceased's family
- Food for the wake, memorial or sorry camp
- Travel and accommodation costs for nominated/immediate family members
- Air travel tickets (Members are responsible for their own travel arrangements)

What can't funds be used for?

- Vehicle repairs and maintenance
- Non-members
- Cash payments

Funeral Travel Assistance & Headstones & Memorials

Funeral Travel Assistance

up to \$2,000 per member per year

Who is it for?

AM-YAC members who have a non-AM-YAC family member pass away.

What is it?

Assistance up to \$2,000 per Member per year for an AM-YAC member to attend the funeral of a family member.

Members must provide a funeral notice with their application.

Conditions: This program may be used to support non-member funerals in situations where the Member Funeral Program is unavailable.

What can funds be used for?

- Travel and accommodation (maximum 2 nights only) for the AM-YAC member and a non-member spouse, parent or child.
- Food for the wake, memorial or sorry camp
- Clothing
- Non-AM-YAC members who are caring and accompanying AM-YAC family members may apply.

What can't funds be used for?

- Returning the deceased's person home
- Undertaker's costs
- Coffin
- Burial costs
- Cash payments
- Members receiving support through the Member Funeral Assistance Program

Headstones and Memorials

Up to \$6500 per Member per headstone

Who is it for?

AM-YAC members immediate family/descendants

What is it?

Assistance **up to \$6,500** per Member per headstone to assist AM-YAC Members with the cost of a headstone for an immediate family members' grave.

Immediate family includes aunts, uncles and first cousins as per AM-YAC family relationships.

What can funds be used for?

- Costs associated with purchase, engraving and installing memorials of AM-YAC family members that have passed
- Materials for the construction of memorial plots including concrete, gravel, and other materials.
- Travel to pick up or view a headstone. (food, fuel and accommodation) one return maintenance visit is capped at \$1,000 and as per the travel assistance policy (page 35)

What can't funds be used for?

- Costs not associated with headstones and memorials
- Cash payments

AGM Assistance

Who is it for?

AM-YAC members who require assistance to attend the AM-YAC Annual General Meeting.

What is it?

Assistance for AM-YAC members to travel to the AGM or Special General Meetings (Members who are seeking assistance must confirm their attendance)

Applications must be completed and submitted to the Executive Office before the closing date. Late applications or last-minute changes may not be accepted.

AM-YAC members must book their own accommodation, and the trust will reimburse the member to the value of \$200 per night. Invoices must be provided.

Members confirming attendance to the AGM and do not sign in without a valid reason will incur a debt and be placed on the Poor Conduct Register. This debt will also be recovered from future AGM Assistance applications.

All Members who are attending the AGM, must confirm attendance to receive their food voucher

What can funds be used for?

- Food and Fuel (fuel allowance is paid to the nominated driver only)
- Accommodation. Costs.
- Bus tickets for AMYAC Members and their dependent children.

What can't funds be used for?

- Hire cars, vans or buses, air travel tickets
- Support for non-AMYAC Members
- Cash payments

Food Vouchers

All members attending the AGM will receive a \$200 food voucher in person at the event

Fuel and accommodation rates as per page 35

All Members who are attending the AGM, must confirm attendance to receive their food voucher. Please check the meeting notice before the AGM.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT POLICY



AM-YAC Community Development Programs Supporting Our Members, Community and Future Generations AM-YAC is committed to supporting members to achieve positive outcomes for themselves, their families, and the broader community.

Community Events Program

- Assistance for the AM-YAC Community to coordinate and hold events for AM-YAC members for up to \$3,000 per year.

Community Events

Up to \$3,000 per year subject to funding availability

Who is it for?

AM-YAC members who coordinate community events for the benefit of AM-YAC members.

What is it?

Assistance for the AM-YAC Community to coordinate and hold events for AM-YAC members for up to \$3,000 per year.

Funding will be provided directly to suppliers.

Applications must come from the event organiser/ representative to the Executive Office and are subject to TAC approval. (one application per event)

Applications need to be in writing and must include:

- Event date
 - Event coordinator's contact details
 - Event description and purpose
 - Estimate of AM-YAC members to attend
 - Itemised budget
 - Supplier quotes if requested
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- *Applications for Community Events from Coober Pedy will be prioritised and those supported events should not coincide with AM-YAC AGMs or SGMs. Otherwise agreed by TAC at their discretion.

What can funds be used for?

- Catering, event tableware and consumables
- Hire of event related equipment including marquee, tables, chairs, mobile cool room and porta-loos.

What can't funds be used for?

- Direct funds to members
- Costs not associated with holding the event
- Cost of members travelling to attend the event
- The purchase of alcohol
- Birthday parties

TRAVEL POLICY



The AM-YAC Travel policy is relevant to programs requiring travel assistance such as Health and Well-being programs and Funeral Travel Assistance. (Separate to the AGM and SGM assistance)

Fuel , Food and Accommodation Allowances for Travel Assistance

Fuel: 80c per km fuel allowance for the responsible driver

Food: Up to \$150 per day

To qualify for Travel Assistance, you must live a **minimum of 100km away from the appointment**

- Every 500kms travelled equals one day food and one day accommodation
- To receive Travel Assistance, the service you are seeking to receive, must not be available within the town you reside in (your registered address on file with EO) a support letter or email will be required.
- **Bond and Damages:** If the Trust pays a bond for your accommodation and any damage occurs, you will be responsible for all costs associated with the damage. These costs may be recovered from any available Healthy Living Funds. Members who cause damage to accommodation will not be eligible for accommodation assistance for the remainder of the financial year.
- Please inform the trust if you require assistance with parking when making your application
- ***Vehicle Repairs:** The Trust's travel assistance is limited to approved fuel, food, accommodation and related travel expenses. The Trust will not be responsible for, nor liable for, any vehicle repairs, maintenance costs, breakdowns, towing expenses, accidents, insurance excesses, or any other vehicle-related costs incurred whilst travelling.



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Application Forms Online

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