

COMMUNITY DROUGHT SUPPORT FLEXIBLE HARDSHIP FUNDING 2022 APPLICATION FORM

OVERVIEW

Community Drought Support Flexible Hardship Funding is available to **farmers, farm contractors, farm employees, tradespeople and non-farming small businesses and retail operators** who **rely upon regional agricultural economies**.

To be eligible, you must reside within one of the below Local Government Areas (LGA) and must demonstrate that your financial position has been negatively impacted by drought over the past two-year period.

Support is available via a prepaid EFTPOS card which can be utilised for purchases at designated outlets within your LGA such as grocery stores. Details of participating outlets shall be provided to successful applicants.

Funding is limited to **one application per household/family**. The amounts listed below are **maximum amounts only**, assistance provided may be reduced due eligibility and number of applications received.

Local Government Area	Amount per individual*	Local Government Area	Amount per individual*	Local Government Area	Amount per individual*
Balonne	Exhausted	Goondiwindi	Exhausted	Paroo	Exhausted
Banana	Exhausted	Gympie	Exhausted	Quilpie	\$3,000
Blackall – Tambo	\$1,500	Ipswich	Exhausted	Redland	Exhausted
Bulloo	\$3,000	Livingstone	Exhausted	Rockhampton	Exhausted
Bundaberg	Exhausted	Maranoa	Exhausted	Scenic Rim	Exhausted
Central Highlands	\$500	Murweh	Exhausted	Somerset	Exhausted
Fraser Coast	Exhausted	Moreton Bay	\$1,000	South Burnett	Exhausted
Gladstone	Exhausted	Noosa	Exhausted	Sunshine Coast	Exhausted
Gold Coast	\$1,000	North Burnett	Exhausted	Toowoomba	Exhausted

*Funding amounts are based on longevity of drought combined with LGA remoteness.

Please return completed form to:

Email (preferred): admin@rfcssq.org.au

Post: Attn. Administration, PO BOX 433, ROMA QLD 4455

Please allow up to 14 business days from when your application is received at Head Office for processing.

QUESTIONS

If you have any questions or require assistance to complete this form, please call 07 4622 5500.

FURTHER INFORMATION

This initiative is funded by the Queensland Government Department of Communities, Housing and Digital Economy and is delivered by Rural Solutions Queensland Inc (RSQ). RSQ is a charitable non-profit organisation dedicated to supporting the sustainability of rural and regional communities. Other programs delivered by RSQ include:



Should you wish to discuss what further assistance our organisation may be able to provide to your business, please visit www.rfcssq.org.au. Our Rural and Small Business Financial Counsellors offer a free and confidential service designed to assist farming and small business operators who are at risk of, or experiencing, financial hardship.

The information provided on this form will remain confidential

Name:	Date of birth:		
Residential address:			
Postal address:			
Postcode:		Local Government Area:	
Supporting documents copies of the following supporting documents must be provided with your application:			
<input type="checkbox"/> Driver license (both sides, showing address within the eligible LGA)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Rates notice <u>OR</u> utility bill (e.g. electricity or phone) showing address within the eligible LGA			
No. of dependants: <i>(no. of individuals who rely on applicants income)</i>		Relationship status:	
Telephone/mobile:		ABN: <i>(not applicable for farming employees)</i>	
Email address:			
Tick the box which best describes you:	<input type="checkbox"/> Farmer	<input type="checkbox"/> Farming contractor	<input type="checkbox"/> Farming employee
	<input type="checkbox"/> Non-farming small business operator*	<input type="checkbox"/> Tradesperson*	<input type="checkbox"/> Retail operator*
	*Non-farming small business operators, tradespeople and retail operators must rely on regional agricultural economics for income to be eligible.		
What is your primary source of income? (e.g. beef cattle farming running 250 head of cattle on 2,000 acres)			
Briefly describe what impact the drought has had on your primary source of income and your circumstances.			
How will this support assist you?			
In signing this application form, you confirm that all information provided is true, correct and complete (providing all information relevant to this application).			
Applicant's signature:			Date:

Office use only:		
Date received:	<input type="checkbox"/> Approved:	<input type="checkbox"/> Declined: <i>(please record relevant notes regarding decision)</i>
<input type="checkbox"/> Added to assistance spreadsheet	<input type="checkbox"/> No previous assistance provided	<input type="checkbox"/> Address checked
Date EFTPOS card posted:	Date client advised of outcome:	