New NT Grants System: Streamlining Access to Territory Grants to Support Jobs

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Applying for grants is set to become a lot easier for Territorians.

The Territory Labor Government is releasing a new user friendly portal that will assist Territorians and organisations - GrantsNT - which will change the way Territorians apply for grants from government.

Seven local IT firms were engaged to custom build the system, delivering the first single system to fully manage grants across all government departments in Australia, which will streamline and improve how businesses, not-for-profit organisations, sports groups and individuals apply for and manage their grant activities.

GrantsNT will provide:

- a modern, mobile solution available 24/7 from anywhere
- a convenient and reliable digital way to manage grants
- improved search capability for applicants to identify grant funding
- streamlined, effective and accountable grants administration processes
- a central online publication of NT Government grants
- improved financial reconciliations and productivity for grant applicants and recipients.

The system was developed through an extensive co-design process with advice and input from the NT Government and over 40 non-government organisations, with consultation sessions throughout each phase of development and testing.

GrantsNT is set to go live on 1 November 2018. It is being implemented through a staged approach aligning roll-out with the timing of individual NT Government agency grant programs.

GrantsNT is a great example of local industry collaboration and expertise with eleven ICT professionals from seven Territory Enterprises working together to build this modern solution, involving digital experts from Radical Systems, Cloudstreet Consulting, Brainium Labs, Naked Option Pty Ltd and the Darwin offices of Dialog Information Technology, NEC Australia and KPMG.

Quotes from Minister for the Department of Corporate and Information Services, Lauren Moss

“Streamlining the grant process for businesses, sporting groups and not for profit organisations will help them focus on delivering innovative ideas and initiatives that benefit the Territory and support jobs for Territorians.

“The project was completed in August 2018, on budget and within a month of its planned timeframe and has positioned the Territory as the only Australian jurisdiction with an end-to-end digital solution for the management of government grants.”
Quotes from Executive Director of the Northern Territory Council of Social Service, Wendy Morton

"GrantsNT will allow Non-Government Organisations to find, apply and acquit grants all in one place. It is pleasing to see that the NT Government has listened to grant recipients and has developed a user friendly system that works towards red tape reduction."

Quote from David Chatterton, Director Radical Systems Pty Ltd

"Custom software development such as GrantsNT has great potential to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of government services. Radical Systems is proud to support the NTG in the development and support of locally built, high quality IT solutions."

Attachment - Some of the team of local contractors who built GrantsNT - Jodie Bell, Sally Williams, Adam Whitehead, June Chin and Aaron Hay.

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