VICTORIAN LEGAL SERVICES BOARD GRANTS PROGRAM

Grant Round Application Support Letters

Example 1

[Organisation Logo]

[Date]

To whom it may concern,

Re: Support for the XXXX application for partnership project with XXXX

The XXXX is pleased to support the application by the XXXX for funding for a pilot project designed to provide multi-disciplinary support to victims/survivors of family violence and their children in the City of XXXX.

XXXX is a not-for-profit organisation established in XXXX, in (insert suburb). A suburb where some of Melbourne's wealthiest live amongst some of Melbourne's most disadvantaged. Today XXXX is a place where refugees, asylum seekers and those living on the public housing estates of inner Melbourne find support, encouragement and a place where they can learn and connect.

Overall, XXXX strives to build bridges within our community to reduce the level of segregation and disharmony and to create and foster social cohesion. XXXX offers services and programs which promote the principles of community participation and empowerment and that give people increased opportunity for self-determination. Our clients, students and program participants are primarily members of newly arrived, refugee and asylum seeker communities.

XXXX has worked in partnership with XXXX for a number of years, providing services to Melbourne's inner city communities. This partnership has allowed both organisations to develop and provide innovative education, community and legal support that facilitates referrals to the wider service system. The current family XXXX outreach service provided by XXXX is highly valued by our clients and community and has provided access to professional services for clients who are often unable to receive support for complex and distressing issues.

This new initiative has the potential to be of major benefit for the culturally and linguistically diverse families in the City of XXXXwho have complex needs and often struggle to access relevant and appropriate information and advice. We believe that the proposed pilot project is a good model of collaboration between a legal assistance service and a child-centred service.

XXXX remains committed to continuing to work together with XXXX and wholeheartedly support their funding application to the Legal Services Board.

Yours Faithfully,

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Example 2

[Organisation Logo]

[Date]

To whom it may concern,

Support for the XXXX application for partnership project with XXXX

The XXXX is excited to support XXXX's project proposal designed to provide XXXX. This initiative will be of major benefit for XXXX who have complex needs and often struggle to access relevant and appropriate information and advice.

We believe that the proposed pilot project is a good model of collaboration between a XXXX service and a XXXX service because [insert reasons].

We are also excited at being able to build on our existing collaboration with XXXX in engaging with the children and their families. The partnership with XXXX will also add to the depth of experience and knowledge in supporting families and children escaping domestic violence. This is a key concern for families, particularly those parents from culturally and linguistically diverse communities who face barriers when accessing advice and services.

We are committed to working with XXXX who is one of our key partners and support their funding application for this project.

Yours Faithfully,