



# Governance for Social Impact

## Applicant Information

The Tasmanian Community Fund recognises the value of building capacity at all levels across the community and is particularly keen to support community organisations to develop and prosper.

The TCF has provided a grant to the Centre of Social Impact through the University of New South Wales to provide Governance for Social Impact training in Tasmania in 2025, 2026 and 2027.

The Centre for Social Impact (CSI) is a collaboration between the Business Schools of four of Australia's universities: UNSW Sydney, The University of Western Australia, Flinders University and Swinburne University of Technology.

They ignite positive, lasting social change for people and communities through education, research and engagement with not-for-profits, business, philanthropy and government.

This executive education program will be delivered in a way that develops participants in an engaging and participatory way that will challenge participants thinking and help them better understand and lean into the complexity of the social purpose landscape. The content, presenters and activities included in the delivery of this program are highly experienced, in the community sector and program delivery, and deeply engaging.

The Governance for Social Impact training is delivered through some pre-reading, two consecutive face-to-face training days and short written response following the face-to-face training. Through the program participants will learn about:

- effectively governing in a complex social ecosystem
- systems and tools to create change in your organisation
- what it means to govern with a 'mission-first' agenda
- the role of Boards in optimising strategy for social impact
- exercising effective leadership while governing for impact
- achieving mission by measuring what matters most, for the people who matter most

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More information about the content of the Governance for Social Impact program can be found at [www.csi.edu.au/courses/governance-for-social-impact](http://www.csi.edu.au/courses/governance-for-social-impact)

## Application timeline and process

Applications for the 2026 program are now being accepted.

Applications will close on **21 August 2026**.

If you would like to participate in the Launceston program in March 2026 your application will need to be received by 21 January 2026.

Applications can be submitted through the Tasmanian Community Fund's grant portal at <https://tascomfund.smartygrants.com.au/2026GSI>

The TCF Board is unlikely to provide positions to more than two people from any one organisation.

## Participant commitments and pre-requisites

Participants must:

- be a not-for-profit Board member or senior executive reporting to a Board
- have a strong understanding of their community and the issues it faces
- be committed to supporting community outcomes in their community or in other areas across Tasmania
- be committed to developing their skills and to sharing the skills across their organisation
- be committed to participating fully in the program
- be committed to completing the pre-reading and attending all of the face-to-face training
- be willing and able to cover all transport costs and any required accommodation\* associated with participating in the face-to-face sessions. The TCF will cover the cost of morning and afternoon tea and lunch during each face-to-face day.

\*The TCF may cover the cost of accommodation for people participating who live outside of the region of delivery. You will be asked to indicate your need for this in the application.

## Training dates

The program will be delivered in Launceston in March 2026 and in Hobart in November 2026. The program will also be delivered in 2027.

Each program is two days long.

The Tasmanian Community Fund will determine the participants for each program. As part of the selection process the Tasmanian Community Fund will ensure that the participants for each program provide diversity across the community sector and geographically.

Training days will commence at 8.30am and will conclude around 5pm each day. All meals will be provided during session times.

## More information

For more information contact the Tasmanian Community Fund on 6270 5843 or email [admin@tascomfund.org](mailto:admin@tascomfund.org).

You don't get too many opportunities to reflect on what great governance looks like in the not-for-profit sector and be surrounded by so many amazing people doing great work in Tasmania.

– James Riggall, 2025 Participant

Program delivery date	Location
24 and 25 March 2026	Launceston (venue to be confirmed)
9 and 10 November 2026	Tasmanian TechnoPark, Dowsing Point

