



Australian Government
Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade

Application for an Australian citizen currently in Australia to apply for COVID-19 overseas financial assistance on behalf of another person

Mandatory check boxes

- I am an Australian citizen who is currently in Australia;
- I have an immediate family member (who is not an Australian citizen over 18 years of age) who is currently outside Australia and suffering financial hardship as result of travel restrictions put in place due to COVID-19;
- My immediate family and I have no other source of income and have exhausted all other possible avenues of assistance (including all savings, family and friends); and
- I have an immediate family member (who is not an Australian citizen over 18 years of age) who is currently outside Australia and has been attempting to return to Australia

Have you or any of your immediate family members previously applied for or received COVID-19 overseas financial assistance?

- Yes
- No

Note: an asterisk * denotes a mandatory field

Australian citizen applicant (name as it appears on your passport)

* First name: _____ * Last name: _____

* Date of birth: ____/____/____ * Australian passport number: _____

Australian citizen applicant's current location

* Address: _____

* City: _____ * Country: _____

Address which your immediate family currently outside Australia intend returning to in Australia

* Address: _____

* Suburb: _____ * Postcode: _____

Contact details

(Note in additional information field if you require contact in a language other than English)

* Telephone: _____ * Email: _____

Financial assistance

* **I am seeking financial assistance on behalf of an immediate family member** (who is not an Australian citizen over 18 years of age) to allow them to return to Australia **and/or** remain overseas until a flight to Australia becomes available, for the following reasons **[select all which apply]**:

- An immediate family member (who is not an Australian citizen over 18 years of age) cannot afford a ticket to return to Australia due to increased flight costs and I am seeking an **interest-free loan for a flight to return to Australia** on their behalf; and/or
- An immediate family member (who is not an Australian citizen over 18 years of age) cannot depart their current location and return to Australia due to border restrictions and/or lack of commercial flights and I am seeking an **interest-free loan for living costs** on their behalf while they are unable to return to Australia.

** “Flight back to Australia”: a one-off loan to help cover the costs of a flight to return to Australia. (You only need to repay the pre-determined standard one-way fare as set out in the table below). Any additional cost for the purchase of the ticket will be covered by the Australian Government.

Loan/grant amount for flights, by region

Region	Standard one-way fare
Central & South America	\$2,000
Africa	\$2,500
Middle East	\$1,500
North America	\$1,500
Europe (including UK)	\$1,500
South and Central Asia	\$1,000
South East Asia	\$750
North Asia	\$1,000
Pacific	\$750

Note: Flight grants (non-repayable) are available for eligible pensioners and minors (under 18 years of age).

Interest-free loan for living costs – Funding limits

Immediate family size	Funding limit
1	Up to \$2,000
2	Up to \$3,000
3	Up to \$4,000
4	Up to \$5,000
5 or more	By arrangement

Note: Living costs grants (non-repayable) are available for eligible pensioners.

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If applying to receive an **interest-free loan for living costs**, what amount of loan are you seeking?

\$ _____

* What is your immediate family outside Australia's current living situation overseas (where are they living, e.g. hotel, staying with family or friends)?

* How is your immediate family outside Australia currently funding themselves?

* Is your immediate family outside Australia's current funding source continuing?

* Please provide the names and contact details of any family members/friends/others from whom you have sought financial assistance.

* Do you receive an Australian pension? (Please provide evidence, e.g. bank statement)

* Date your immediate family last departed Australia

____ / ____ / _____

Immediate family members (if applicable)

First name: _____ Last name: _____

Date of birth: ____ / ____ / _____ Passport number: _____

Relationship: _____ Currently living with you? _____

Full overseas address: _____

First name: _____ Last name: _____

Date of birth: ____ / ____ / _____ Passport number: _____

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Relationship: _____ Currently living with you? _____

Full overseas address: _____

First name: _____ Last name: _____

Date of birth: ____ / ____ / ____ Passport number: _____

Relationship: _____ Currently living with you? _____

Full overseas address: _____

Additional information

Provide any additional information to support your application.

Supporting documentation

To be eligible for assistance, you must attach the **photo page of your passport** and those of any immediate family members on whose behalf you are applying for assistance.

You'll also need to provide documentation to prove your immediate family members outside Australia are vulnerable and that you and your immediate family are in financial distress. Example documentation includes:

- Last three months of bank statements for all bank accounts held in your family's name, showing the account holder name, transactions and most recent balance
- A letter from you or your family member/s' most recent employer confirming employment termination
- Evidence of previously booked airline tickets which were cancelled by the airlines or other attempts to return to Australia
- Information about any medical condition/s you or your family members may have
- Evidence of you or your family member/s' inability to receive subsistence through local social security services
- Evidence of any Australian pension you receive

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- . Any other information you think we should consider to determine whether you're eligible to receive financial assistance on behalf of your immediate family members

If approved for an **interest-free loan for living costs**, do you have an Australian bank account in your name?

- Yes
- No

* If approved for an interest-free loan, do you agree to sign a legal Deed constituting an undertaking to repay your debt?

- Yes
- No

* Do you provide consent for us to discuss your application with the family members/friends/contacts you have provided in your application or supporting documentation?

- Yes
- No

Note – it is not mandatory to provide consent for us to discuss your application with the family members/friends/contacts you have listed in your application or supporting documentation. However, if you do not provide this consent, we may need to discuss your application in further detail with you so that we can establish your eligibility to receive financial assistance.

Declaration

I declare that the information I have provided in this form is true and correct.

I understand that providing false or misleading information is a criminal offence under the Criminal Code Act 1995 (Cth) and may limit the ability of the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT) to provide me with consular assistance or financial assistance. DFAT may request evidence to support any claims made on this form.

Personal information provided to DFAT is protected by law, including the Privacy Act 1988. I understand DFAT may collect, use and disclose my personal information, including to overseas recipients where DFAT reasonably believe it is necessary, to provide me with consular assistance. This may include disclosure to third-party service providers for the purpose of arranging flights and, where I have provided consent, disclosure to friends or family members listed in my application form or supporting documentation for the purpose of verifying the information I have provided. (Please note: Important information about the privacy of your personal information is contained in our Consular Privacy Collection Statement available at <https://www.dfat.gov.au/about-us/corporate/Pages/consular-privacy-collection-statement>, or by requesting one from DFAT.)

I understand that any information provided by DFAT is general in nature and does not constitute financial advice. I understand that I may need to seek independent personal financial advice specific to my needs from a licensed financial adviser.

Signature: _____ Date: ____ / ____ / _____