

About Powering Big Dreams

Through Powering Big Dreams, we partner with communities to create lasting benefits by funding initiatives that support education, social connectedness and environmental sustainability. By investing in local aspirations, we ensure the benefits of our battery storage projects contribute to a more prosperous, resilient and sustainable future for communities.

How does this program work

We are committed to working in partnership with the community to help identify and support initiatives with impact that can deliver long-term, broad-reaching benefits for residents and community members. We seek ideas from not-for-profit organisations to support initiatives that align with the following three principles:

- 1. Employment and education:** Initiatives that support educational or employment outcomes, e.g. literacy; numeracy; science, technology, engineering and maths.
- 2. Social connectedness:** Initiatives that support community connectedness, wellbeing and livability.
- 3. Environment:** Initiatives that support or drive sustainability and environmental outcomes.

Powering Big Dreams is about co-creating programs that turn your big dreams into reality for your local community. Some ideas we'd love to support include:

- Solar panels for a community hub
- Projects that protect waterways or boost local biodiversity
- Support services like a food truck for people doing it tough
- Education programs for underrepresented groups
- Scholarships that help young people access new opportunities
- Infrastructure upgrades that support health, wellbeing and connection



What funding is provided by Griffith BESS

The project will share funding in two waves – first during the construction period which is likely to be from mid-2026 to late 2027, and second when Griffith BESS is operational from 2028.

Wave 1

During construction until late 2027

Griffith BESS is delivering real local benefits, aligned with our Powering Big Dreams principles:

1. Up to **\$200,000** in community grants for impactful local projects
2. **\$150,000** to boost local jobs and workforce skills
3. Hiring local workers, apprentices, and underrepresented groups for project delivery
4. Prioritising First Nations businesses in our construction supply chain.

Wave 2

During operations from 2028

Griffith BESS isn't just about energy storage—it's about delivering long-term value to the Riverina community:

1. Up to **\$30,000** per year in community grants for 7 years – supporting grassroots projects
2. Up to **\$100,000** invested in local innovation and supply chain development
3. Up to **\$500,000** for First Nations training and workforce development – building skills for the future.

Let's do this together

Have a great idea for your community? We want to hear it.

Griffith BESS is committed to investing in the Griffith and wider Riverina region—and that starts with you.

Tell us how local funding could make a real difference.

Call us on 1800 989 687 / Email: griffith@ekuenergy.com

Your suggestions will help shape our Benefit Sharing Program.

Funding applications open later this year – stay tuned!

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