

ASSISTANCE  
GRANT  
SCHEME FOR  
VOS



PARLIAMENTARY SECRETARY FOR YOUTH,  
SPORT AND VOLUNTARY ORGANISATIONS

## ASSISTANCE GRANT SCHEME FOR VOS

- 3 million for the VO Sector is by far the largest Maltese Government financial commitment in history.
- Focused on the needs of VOs to continue their operations.
- A statement by the Government whereas it clearly state that VOs are important partners to deliver essential services and VO are a recognised as reality today.
- Following the recent VO Act amendements, the Regulator OCVO and the legitimate representative of the whole Voluntary Sector MCVS have collaborated with the Parliamentary Secretariat for Youth, Sport and Voluntary Organisations to make the Sector more inclusive and more relevant to today's realities.

# APPLICANT ELIGIBILITY

- VOs shall be enrolled with Commissioner for Voluntary Organisations
- VOs Shall be compliant on date of application

# PERIOD OF ELIGIBILITY

- 16th March to 30th September 2020
  - Split on 2 phases:
    - Phase 1: 16th March to 30<sup>th</sup> June
    - Phase 2: 1st July to 30th September

# ELIGIBLE COSTS & BUDGETS

## Eligible Costs

- Staff Costs (Budget €2,100,000)
- Costs related to Utilities (Budget €350,000)
- Costs related to services rendered by VOs (Budget €475,000)

## Ineligible Cost

- Supplies
- This is ineligible because already funded through the MCVS's COVID Emergency Fund (Nevertheless, we will be topping budget by a further €75,000 through this budget).

# STAFF COSTS

- Phase 1: 16th March to 31st May 2020
  - € 800 per employee per month
- Phase 2: 1st June to 30th September
  - € 600 per employee per month

To Note: VOs to claim these costs shall have their employees registered with JobsPlus and have paid all NI obligations to date.

## COSTS RELATED TO UTILITIES

- Utilities (meaning Water & Electricity bills)
- VOs may claim 80% of the Utility Bills. This is capped at € 250 per phase (€ 500 in Total).
- To Note: VOs to present Utility Bills on VO's name and present a copy of lease agreement on the VO's Name.

## COSTS RELATED TO SERVICES RENDERED BY VOS

- VOs may claim 50% of these costs. This is capped at € 1000 per per VO
- i. Fuel in relation to services rendered directly related to COVID-19
- ii. Communication Bills (telephone and mobile)
- iii. Internet related expenses
- iv. Gozo mobilities (Gozo Ferry tickets in relation to services rendered directly related to COVID-19)
- v. Fixtures and equipment directly related to Health and Safety in line with the guidelines and protocols arising from Public Health directives in relation to COVID-19.
- vi. Other fixed costs deemed eligible by the board



# APPLICATIONS

- Applications will be accepted electronically as of Monday 15<sup>th</sup> June 2020 through the MCVS one-stop-shop funding platform:
- VO Funding Portal – <https://vofunding.org.mt>

# THANK YOU

- For inquiries on the Assistance Grant Scheme for VOs, kindly send your questions on:
- [mcvs.mede@gov.mt](mailto:mcvs.mede@gov.mt) or
- Call MCVS on 22481110/4/8