

Regenerate

Regional Leadership Program

Snowy Valleys

5 - 8 SEPT & 28 NOV - 1 DEC 2022

INFORMATION FOR APPLICANTS

The key to transforming communities into vibrant and sustainable places that people call home for generations to come, is creating opportunities for a diverse group of people to get together and find solutions.

Regenerate Regional Leadership is a fully funded* leadership development program that enables people from bushfire impacted regions to revive and reinvigorate their communities.

The program exposes participants to a culture of self-sufficiency and helping behaviour. It encourages them to identify their community's capacity to cope with disasters and figure out where it might need help.

It provides participants with an understanding of how leadership plays a critical role in this process. Put into action, it will help build long-term community resilience and social connections through individual and group understanding of shared responsibility.

*excludes some travel and personal expenses to and during sessions.



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As the pre-eminent provider of leadership programs for regional Australia, the Australian Rural Leadership Foundation (ARLF) has delivered 111 transformational leadership programs over three decades (88 in the last 10 years). With a proven track record in delivering leadership programs, our success is reflected in the contributions our 1700+ alumni have made and continue to make across rural, regional and remote Australia.



"RESILIENCE IS GETTING UP AND TAKING THAT FIRST STEP EVERY DAY. THERE ARE SETBACKS IN EVERY STORY, AND RESILIENCE IS HAVING THE COURAGE TO TRY AGAIN."

- Jordan Maki-Richards

Learning Support Teacher/ Volunteer
Tumut NSW

Apply Now

Leadership for everyone

Who can apply for this program?

Participants in our regional leadership programs are everything but the same. Our cohorts, as we call them, are diverse in terms of gender, age, cultural and linguistic background, education and employment status.

Despite being different, however, you will have certain things in common. You are:

- Living in and contributing to the region. Whether it is through volunteering, being a member of a cultural, faith or sporting group, running a local business, being on a school parent committee or sitting on a management committee.
- A curious learner keen to understand how leadership is required when connecting with others and building networks.
- Future-focused and contributing to the long-term prosperity of the region.
- Interested in supporting your region socially and economically and in exploring how to have a positive impact.
- Able to see what holds your community back and what can propel it forward.
- A collaborator who welcomes the chance to work across political, cultural, social and economic differences and bring all perspectives to the surface.
- Open to experiential learning, being prepared to experiment, be challenged and take risks.
- Open to learning about self and others.
- Open to redefining personal views on leadership.
- Willing to work with others to get things done.

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- Luke Penrith

Business Owner / Community Sport Advocate
Wiradjuri, Yuin, Gumbaynggirr, Wotjobaluk
Brungle NSW



Why should you participate?

Regional leadership programs benefit not just individuals, but the cohort and entire community.



At an individual level, you develop the skills, mindset and networks to understand and influence uncertainty.



You will grow your networks within and outside of your community, by joining the ARLF's national network of more than 1,700 people working for the greater good of their communities.



At a cohort level, the group will be able to apply their skills by working on projects and taking them back into the community.



The community will gain a group of courageous and influential individuals who will continue to use their skills and network to build community capacity from within.



"I'D LOVE TO SEE THE COMMUNITY COLLABORATE AND SUPPORT EACH OTHER MORE. I'D LOVE TO SEE MORE YOUNG PEOPLE VOLUNTEERING."

-Marty Pannell

Teacher/Musician/Volunteer
Goobarragandra NSW

Learning with us is different...

We don't teach, we facilitate and engage

- Our regional leadership programs are designed to build social capital and local leadership networks. It's about the ability of the group to work together for a common purpose.
- The learning is not assessment or competency based. Instead, participants learn through challenges and enquiry. This is called experiential learning. It is a powerful and effective methodology that supports participants to learn and reflect as they do something, rather than being provided with facts and theories from an expert telling them how to do it and that a particular way of acting is always going to work, regardless of the situation.
- Our programs are designed and delivered with and by people in our diverse national network. This includes associates, alumni and trusted partners. Most importantly, we work with, visit and talk to the community itself to give the program a local context.

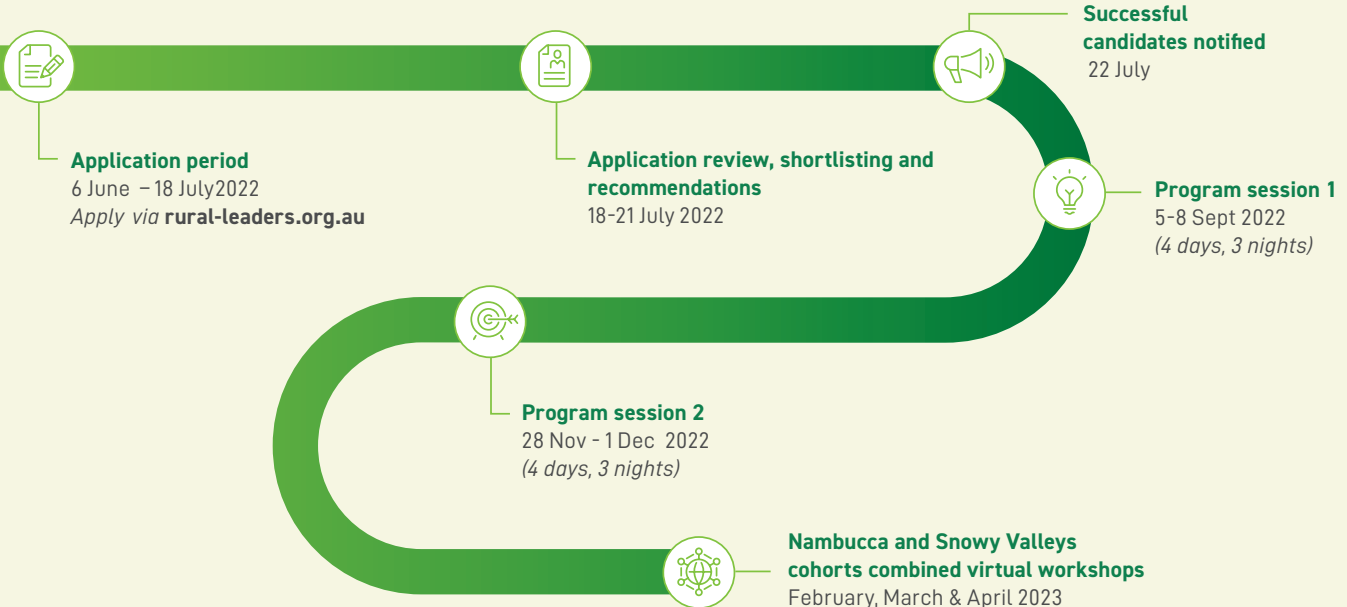
Why is this program free?

This program is part of the New South Wales and Australian Governments' effort to support and build resilience in bushfire impacted communities in the Nambucca Valley and Snowy Valleys in NSW. It is funded under the Bushfire Local Economic Recovery Fund. The program is also supported by the **Minderoo Foundation's Fire and Flood Resilience Initiative**. The ARLF was successful in receiving a grant to deliver this program based on our experience and vision to foster leadership for positive impact in rural, regional and remote Australian communities.

Timeline

8 days of your time for a lifetime of impact

Attendance at all sessions is required to graduate from the program. Upon graduation you will become a member of the ARLF's alumni network. All sessions are in-person unless public health directions change and require virtual meetings. Please note session dates may change. The locations of the sessions will be within driving times of 25-55 minutes from Tumut.



Apply by 18 July



Visit rural-leaders.org.au, scan the QR code or call Kate Howarth on 0447 006 913.
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National Recovery
and Resilience Agency



"OVERCOMING THE TRAUMA OF THE BUSHFIRES AND LATER THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC. I FEEL WE HAVE BECOME SEGREGATED DUE TO NUMEROUS REASONS BUT I FEEL WE NEED TO RECONNECT ACROSS THE SNOWY VALLEYS AND CONTINUE TO BE KIND TO EACH OTHER."

-Sophie Gaim

Tourism & Events Officer/Volunteer
Tumbarumba NSW