SARGOOD FOUNDATION
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Sargood Foundation Grants for Stays at Sargood on Collaroy

Guidelines FY27

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Summary

The Sargood Foundation Accommodation Grants program offers a stay at Sargood on Collaroy for a person living with Spinal Cord Injury (SCI) who meets the following criteria:

- Those aged over 65 who are not covered by the NDIS, nor are they covered by state based insurance
- Those who have sustained a recent Spinal Cord Injury and are waiting for the allocation of NDIS or insurance funding
- Those whose NDIS plan is insufficient to cover a stay at Sargood on Collaroy
- Consideration will be given on a case by case basis to fund an additional interconnecting room to accommodate family members or carers for guests who are covered by NDIS

Available only to residents of Australia, preference will be given to applicants that can demonstrate financial hardship and individuals will be limited to one stay in a 1-year period as available funds need to be shared equitably among all eligible guests.

Background

The Sargood Foundation is a DGR registered charity, founded in 2000. Our main project to date has been the establishment of Sargood on Collaroy, an innovative purpose built fully accessible facility for those living with SCI. We continue to provide support to Sargood on Collaroy (run by Royal Rehab) working to deliver a world-first resort for people living with SCI. Currently our focus is on the provision of subsidised stays for guests who otherwise could not afford this valuable experience, and the donation of adaptive equipment to enhance guest stays at Sargood on Collaroy.

A visit to Sargood on Collaroy is so much more than respite, it is life transforming and works to create new futures and opportunities for those who live with the trauma of Spinal Cord Injury, as well as their families. Our guests can enjoy the company of others, as well as having access to the incredible team of nurses and support workers, the occupational therapist and exercise specialists and of course, the chance to participate in some life changing activities.

Objectives of the Sargood Foundation Grant Program

The Sargood Foundation's vision is that all people affected by Spinal Cord Injury are provided with every opportunity to live life to the fullest.

We genuinely want to make a positive difference in the lives of those living with SCI. Our beautiful resort, Sargood on Collaroy provides guests, their partner, friend, and/or attendant care workers with much-needed respite, refreshment, and relaxation. It is also a place of learning, where guests gain confidence, skills, and the empowerment to live full and rewarding lives. By facilitating stays at Sargood on Collaroy we are providing so much more than a holiday, we are transforming lives and creating new futures for those who live with the trauma of Spinal Cord Injury.

The Sargood Foundation Grant for stays at Sargood on Collaroy Funding

This grant is not transferable, nor cash:

- Funding will be awarded as a maximum 4-night stay
- Includes all assistance and activities during the stay
- Up to $500 towards travel costs to and from Sargood on Collaroy is available on application for a separate travel grant

Conditions of Grant

- The needs of the applicant meet the primary purpose of Sargood on Collaroy, that is to support and promote access and inclusion for people living with Spinal Cord Injury.
- Only available to Australian permanent residents who live with Spinal Cord Injury - anyone else at the discretion of the Foundation
- Priority will be given to new guests
- Nights to be taken in a single stay - Standard and Deluxe rooms only, no upgrades available
- Guests will be invited to contribute what they can afford to, in support of their stay
- Available dates will be offered by Sargood on Collaroy, keeping guest preference of dates in mind
- All financial assistance is granted at the discretion of the Sargood Foundation and available funding. No appeal or correspondence will be entered into.
- The limit of financial assistance to any one individual will be one stay in a 1-year period as available funds need to be shared equitably among all eligible guests

Recipients will be selected from applicants at the discretion of Sargood on Collaroy Clinical team on behalf of the Sargood Foundation, based on the following criteria:

- Adhere to the terms and conditions of stay at Sargood on Collaroy
- If travel grant has been awarded, guest must follow published guidelines
- Return forms etc in timely manner
- Provide testimonial content in support of the Sargood Foundation Grant program
- Complete stay before June 30th 2027

All best efforts will made to meet the dates requested by the applicant. Travel arrangements to be completed by applicant.

Termination and Deferral

The grant is terminated under the following conditions:

- once the full value is paid to the recipient,
- if the recipient fails to meet the eligibility criteria
- if recipient fails to attend organised stay
- if there is any misconduct by the guest and accompanying partner before or during stay

The grant may be deferred due to illness or inability to travel at the discretion of the Sargood Foundation on proof of medical advice.

Payment of Grant

- The accommodation to a maximum of 4 nights will be paid by the Sargood Foundation to Sargood on Collaroy directly. This covers a stay in self-catering accommodation and includes all activities plus necessary care depending on the guest needs.
- An additional $500 is available on application towards travel costs to and from Sargood on Collaroy
- There is no roll over of unspent funds

Timing

Stay to be organised at convenience of Recipient before end June 2027
Depending on room availability and excluding school holiday periods

How to apply

Please complete the booking form here: https://sargoodoncollaroy.com/book-now/
Under the funding section, Sargood Foundation should be selected.
The booking form is very in depth for a first stay, and 45-60 mins should be allowed to complete it.

Enquiries and further information

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