

RE: SAFA financial assistance to our charity to establish a new senior high school

From Smith, Nathan (DTF) <Nathan.Smith@sa.gov.au>
Date Wed 2024-09-18 9:29 AM
To Arthur Jones <principal@acacollege.org.au>
Cc Heidt, Jason (DTF) <Jason.Heidt@sa.gov.au>

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Hi Arthur

Great to talk to you yesterday morning and find out a bit more about your proposal.

As discussed, the School Loans Scheme is an active Scheme administered by the State Government whereby concessional loans are available to support the construction of new schools and campuses, and/or upgrades to existing schools and campuses. Loans are not available to support day-to-day operations of schools or to refinance existing debt – it must be used to facilitate a specific infrastructure project.

I also advise that while the Scheme is currently not open for applications, I understand a round may be open for applications early next year.

All applications are assessed against Scheme guidelines, which includes that (among other criteria) schools be registered with the Education Standards Board (ESB), be in receipt of State Government Funding, and pass financial assessment which includes loan serviceability and security criteria.

Should the timing of your project align with a future round, I would encourage you to apply for funding so your proposal may be formally assessed. I understand the school is yet to be registered with the ESB, nor receive State Government Funding, this would need to be confirmed to be eligible to apply. A broader funding model that supports the ability to service a scheme loan, and availability of adequate security, is also integral.

Good luck with your discussions with the ESB and Department for Education. I also encourage you to enquire with the Department for Education about what other funding options may be available outside the Scheme.

Kind regards

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From: Arthur Jones <principal@acacollege.org.au>
Sent: Tuesday, September 17, 2024 7:19 AM
To: Smith, Nathan (DTF) <Nathan.Smith@sa.gov.au>
Subject: Re: SAFA financial assistance to our charity to establish a new senior high school

Good morning Nathan.

I am available all day today. Please phone me on 0418 836 137 for a chat.

Regards, Arthur

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Cc: Heidt, Jason (DTF) <Jason.Heidt@sa.gov.au>
Subject: RE: SAFA financial assistance to our charity to establish a new senior high school

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Hi Arthur

Thank you for your email below, it has been redirected to me as the contact person for the Non-Government School Loans Scheme.

I would be happy to arrange an online meeting with you to discuss the Scheme, do you have any availability tomorrow or Wednesday morning?

I will advise that the Scheme is not currently open for applications, and a future round is yet to be confirmed. Nonetheless, I would be happy to discuss your project and whether the Scheme may be of assistance (should a round open and coincide with your project).

Kind regards

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From: Arthur Jones <>
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To: SAFA, Mail (DTF) <mail.safa@sa.gov.au>
Subject: SAFA financial assistance to our charity to establish a new senior high school

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Hello SAFA.

Our charity Board is meeting online with the staff of Education Standards Board next Wednesday afternoon to discuss our new school proposal.

I would like advice relating to financial loans available to charities establishing a new Senior High School as a special purpose independent school. There appears to be no Phone contact advertised on your site for such conversation.

My phone number is 0418 836 137.

I would appreciate a call back this afternoon, to clarify the SAFA loan arrangements to help with the establishment of a special purpose residential Senior High school. This page provides a general oversight of our plans.

Regards, Arthur

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