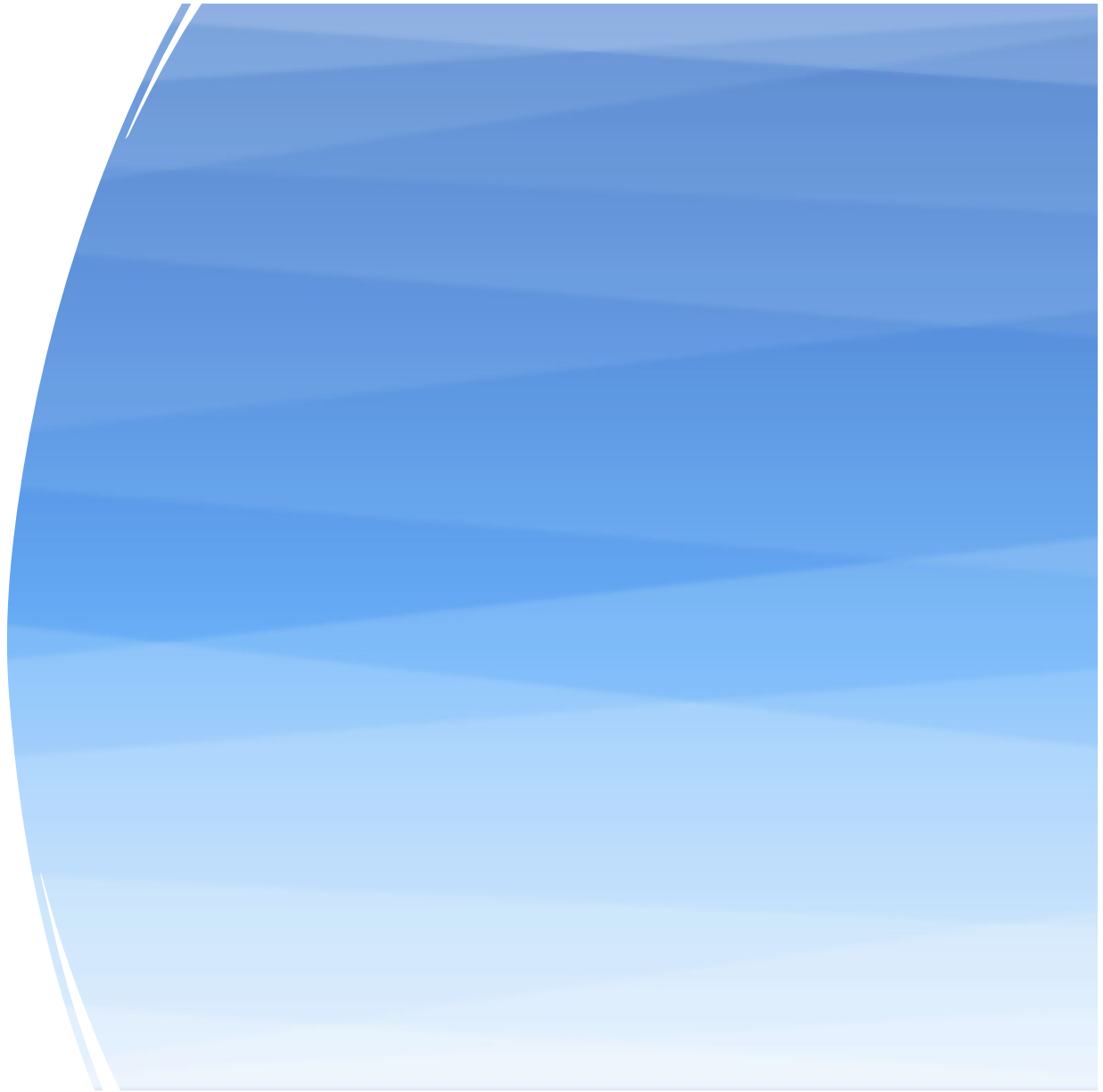


ICAFSS

**Intercountry Adoptee and
Family Support
Service (ICAFSS)**



About

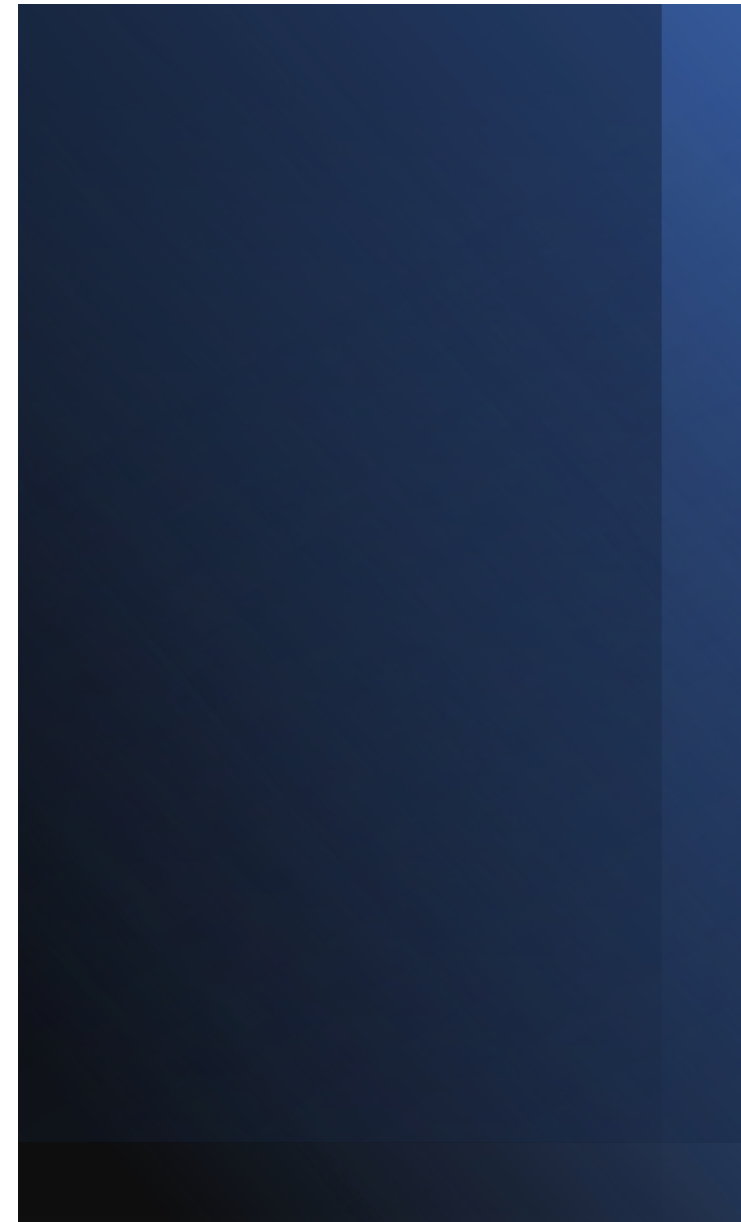
In November 2020 an open competitive grant opportunity was run by the Australian Fed Govt (DSS) to determine the provider of the redesigned ICAFSS. Relationships Australia, South Australia (RASA) was selected as the successful provider to deliver the services from 1 July 2021 to 30 June 2026.

The service is available to intercountry adoptees (children, young people and adults), adoptive parents of children adopted from overseas or expatriate adoptions, family members of intercountry adoptees, and anyone who is going through the intercountry adoption process.

Design Principles of ICAFSS

Services must be offered in a way that means:

- clients drive the type and direction of support
- clients are the expert in their own life
- service delivery is flexible and tailored to the individual needs of each person
- services are clear about what they do and how they do it
- feedback loops and ways to improve the service are built into its delivery.



Feedback from 2023 Consultation



Search and Reunion
services



Re-balance the budget
between therapeutic and
capacity building
components



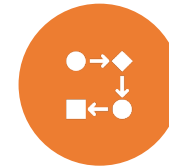
Include peer support in
services



Better promotion of the
service



Streamline the Small
Grants & Bursaries
program



Involve lived experience
better in decision making,
program design and
delivery

Total Budget of ICAFSS



\$4.75m across 5 years or
\$950,000 per annum, this is
broken down into:



\$800,000 for Therapeutic Care



\$100,000 for Capacity Building



\$50,000 for Small Grants and
Bursaries
Small grants is capped at \$5,000
Bursaries is capped at \$500

What could be included in Capacity Building?

RAISING AWARENESS TO THE
WIDER COMMUNITY (EG.
MULTIMEDIA, BOOKS,)

PROVIDING GREATER SOCIAL
CONNECTION (EG. NATIONAL
EVENT)

ADVOCACY INITIATIVES (EG.
RESEARCH, GATHERINGS)

GREATER INVOLVEMENT OF
PEOPLE WITH LIVED
EXPERIENCE

PEER SUPPORT GROUPS AND
ACTIVITIES

INTERCOUNTRY ADOPTION
SPECIFIC EDUCATION AND
TRAINING TO
PROFESSIONALS (EG. GPS,
TEACHERS, LAWYERS,
JOURNALISTS)

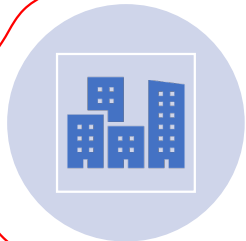
Re-allocate the Budget of ICAFSS?



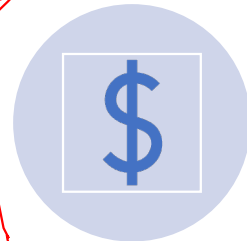
\$4.75m across 5 years or
\$950,000 per annum, this is
broken down into:



\$600,000 for Therapeutic Care



\$250,000 for Capacity Building



\$100,000 for Small Grants and
Bursaries
Small grants is capped at \$5,000
Bursaries is capped at \$500

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