**To All Grant Funding Applicants**

**Update on progress regarding the Community and SCM Grant Funding Applications**

The MDDA would like to maintain direct contact with you to assure you of our continuous support as you provide essential services of disseminating information, news, and content to our communities across South Africa.

Below is the procedure that was followed after the closing date of the Call for Grant Funding Applications in July 2022.

**Grant Funding**

The MDDA officially opened the 2022/23 Call for Grant Funding Applications for a six-week period, commencing on 20 May 2022 and closing on 02 July 2022.

After the closing date, the work of evaluating and assessing the received applications, to determine whether they met the basic minimum applications requirements, including verifying received documentation, began in earnest.

The working team has short-listed the fully compliant projects and conducted site visit to verify their existence. The next step is the presentation to the Board Committee and Board meetings for approvals, which will take place within the next two months, in late October and November 2022.

After the MDDA Board has deliberated over and approved the qualifying projects, the awarded beneficiaries will be issued with award letters and letters of regret will be sent to all the unsuccessful applicants

The list of the approved projects will be publicised widely in all our communication platforms after approval by the board.

The MDDA is always committed to being responsive to the needs of the sector, which means, amongst others, keeping applicants up to date about applications, and decisions on their applications being announced on time.

Once again, our gratitude goes to all of you for your commitment to keeping our communities informed, despite the challenges of the community media sector.

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