

Community Grants Guidelines



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The aim of community development grants is to support individuals and groups to join together to create a healthy, active and inclusive community.

ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS

Non-profit incorporated community organisations

PROJECTS NOT ELIGIBLE FOR FUNDING

Projects occurring outside the Gosford Local Government Area.

Where applicants are in a position to self-fund the project.

Where a more applicable funding source is available.

Where application is for capital funds (eg. Building and maintenance costs).

Organised and registered sporting competitions.

Where a project will financially benefit a profit making organisation, individual or a Government Department.

Festivals

Core activities of applicant organisation.

CRITERIA

Project requires participation from the broader community.

Project must build on the existing assets of your community. Projects might include places and spaces, the natural environment and people in your community.

The project must include people who have not been involved in your

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community before.

Project must result in one or more persons learning new skills.

Organisations receiving funding must be incorporated and have the ability to implement the project.

Only projects that are innovative and unique within your community will be funded.

Projects must be well researched and provide benefit to the broader community.

CONSECUTIVE FUNDING

Organisations are eligible to receive funding for the same project for a period of two years only. Applicants will not automatically receive consecutive funds, applications will be assessed against the assessment criteria and all other applicants.

CONDITIONS

Grant funds for specific equipment items approved of by the Council will be distributed on the basis that: -

The equipment will be purchased and owned by the applicant.

Grant funds must be utilised prior to the end of the financial year where Council is contributing to equipment costs. Grant funds will not be held for organisations after this date.

The failure of any group to comply with these conditions will automatically disqualify them from consideration for further funding.

Council may use its discretion to apply additional conditions on grants recipients if this is deemed necessary.