



MEDIA RELEASE

COMMUNITY GRANT PROGRAMS

The community is reminded that applications for the Community Grant Program offered by the Norfolk Island Regional Council closes at 4:00pm on 20 October 2017. This excludes the Tertiary Education Bursary which will call for applications in January 2018.

Council has a budget of \$50,000 for this currently open program for this financial year. All funding provided under the Community Grants Program must align with one or more of the strategic directions (SD) in the Community Strategic Plan 2016-2026 (CSP). Council will only call for applications once each financial year, so those interested in applying please ensure you submit a completed application form by the closing date and time.

Below are the six strategic directions from the CSP with examples of possible funding assistance:

SD1 – AN ENVIRONMENTALLY SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITY

Eg. Environmentally sustainable projects, etc.

SD2 – A PROUD, DIVERSE AND INCLUSIVE COMMUNITY

Eg. Projects that engage in traditional cultural practices, Bounty Day set-up assistance, etc.

SD3 – A CARING COMMUNITY

Eg. Support for volunteer organisations and community groups, arts programs, children's programs assistance funding, etc.

SD4 – A SUCCESSFUL AND INNOVATIVE COMMUNITY

Eg. Tertiary Education Bursaries, youth skills development, etc

SD5 – AN INFORMED AND ACCOUNTABLE COMMUNITY

Eg. Governance skill workshops, etc.

SD6 – A HEALTHY AND SAFE COMMUNITY

Eg. Sports Grant Funding – sports promotion, youth sports, sporting events. Mentoring programs, volunteer groups assistance, etc.

The full guidelines on this program are available at www.norfolkisland.gov.nf/council/grants-program. This link also takes you to the online application form to complete.

Funding is limited and applications will be assessed and ranked according to the eligibility criteria detailed in the guidelines and requested in the application form.

If you would like further information please do not hesitate to contact the Grants Officer, Anita French, on +6723 22001 ext 154 or anita.french@nirc.gov.nf.

The Norfolk Island Regional Council recognises the valuable contribution individuals and community groups make to the enhancement, enrichment and livability of Norfolk Island and looks forward to receiving applications.

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