

COMMUNITY SUPPORT

APPLICATION FORM, GUIDELINES AND CRITERIA

COMMUNITY SUPPORT GRANTS

The City of Vincent recognises that community funding provides a significant opportunity to work collaboratively with the local groups, organisations and individuals to deliver activities which increase social participation, promote social inclusion and strengthen connections within our community. A variety of funding initiatives are offered each year to meet the diverse range of interests, demands and priorities throughout the Vincent community.

Community Support Grants aim to support City of Vincent organisations and individuals to deliver programs and services that address key social issues impacting the local community. Grants are available for programs and services that demonstrate outcomes that will build a strong and resilient community as well as initiatives that ensure the ongoing sustainability of community organisations.

Community Support Grants up to \$10,000.00 may be available for each individual project through this funding category.

Before starting your application, please contact the Community Partnerships Team to discuss the proposed activity, event or program.

GUIDELINES AND CRITERIA

In order to be eligible for funding, your organisation must:

• Your organisation's mission must be aligned with the outcomes of the City of Vincent's Strategic Community Plan

Fall in to one or more of the following categories

- A not-for-profit community organisation
- o A registered charity with the Australian Taxation Office
- · A deductible gift recipient
- An individual
- A social enterprise
- Have the ability to demonstrate satisfactory risk management
- Have the competency and capacity to implement the project & demonstrate this to the City's satisfaction.

WHAT WILL BE CONSIDERED FOR FUNDING:

- Priority will be given to a collective group of organisations working in partnership to address the key outcomes
- Applications need to demonstrate strong elements of collaboration (e.g. partnering with a least one other organisation to create an outcome that neither organisation could achieve on its own);
- Coordinated programs which give individuals who are experiencing difficulty, opportunities to connect with their community;
- Programs that are offered free of charge;
- Programs which have a direct and immediate benefit to City of Vincent residents;
- Programs that have demonstrated coordinated approach to delivering human services within the City of Vincent;
- Projects with measurable outcomes will be considered;
- The City must be satisfied that the applicant organisation has the competency and capacity to implement the project;
- Projects which have received funding from the City in previous years may be considered, however priority will be given to new projects or those which have not previously received support;
- Projects which demonstrate how the initiative can become self-sustaining and/or help the organisation reduce reliance on further grant funding will be highly regarded.

THE FOLLOWING WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED FOR FUNDING:

- Groups and organisations that operate with the aim of making a profit;
- Groups and organisations who have failed to acquit grants awarded to them in any capacity;



- Programs which replicate services already available within the City of Vincent;
- Programs, services or events which take place outside City of Vincent boundaries;
- Groups and organisations that have received other significant funding or in kind donation from the City of Vincent in a single financial year;
- Debt reduction or operational deficits;
- Operational salaries (however salaries tied to a program or project will be considered);
- Religious organisations where the grant is intended for the principal benefit of the organisation's own members or adherents, or where the grant is intended for inherently religious activities;
- Legal expenses;
- General construction, capital campaign or renovation unrelated to a specific proposed project or program;
- Travel outside Australia; and
- Retrospective funding.

KEY DATES

Applications for Community Support Grants can be submitted all year round. Applications should be submitted at least 8 weeks before your project is due to commence.

ACQUITTAL

Grant funds are to be expended by the end of the project period. Financial acquittal and evaluation report will be due within 30 days of the project completion.

Please be aware that your organisation will not be eligible for any further funding from the City of Vincent unless an acquittal has been received.

For further information regarding funding, the guidelines and criteria, please contact the Community Partnership Team on 9273 6000.

This document can be made available in alternative formats for people with specific requirements. If you would like the application in any of these formats please call the City's Community Partnership Team on 9273 6000 or mail@vincent.wa.gov.au

