1. **WHAT IS THE BETTER BAYSWATER GRANT?**

Due to the impacts that COVID-19 has had on our community and local economy, the City of Bayswater is committed to supporting the recovery of its community and local businesses through an array of initiatives, including its Better Bayswater Grant. The City has therefore made some amendments to its Better Bayswater Grants criteria to ensure that priority is given to grant applications that directly or indirectly assist in community recovery.

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| **Applications for Round Two 2020/21*** **Open on Monday 1 March 2021**
* **Close at 5pm on Wednesday 31 March 2021**
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1. **WHO CAN APPLY FOR A BETTER BAYSWATER GRANT?**

The City of Bayswater invites applications from incorporated or auspiced individuals/ community groups.

Businesses and sole traders may partner with a local community group to deliver an initiative to address local community priorities that have arisen as a result of COVID-19. However, such applications must be made under the auspice of an incorporated organisation.

All applicants must be able to be deliver the project within current (and evolving) COVID-19 stage appropriate requirements.

1. **WHAT TYPE OF PROJECTS AND ACTIVITIES WILL THE GRANT SUPPORT?**

The City is seeking applications from applicants who can deliver programs, projects and activities within the next six months, which meet at least one of the following priority areas:

1. **Health and Wellbeing**

Activities to promote mental health and wellbeing. These may include initiatives to reduce stress and anxiety or encourage physical activity by community members;

1. **Community Connection**

Programs and projects that encourage the development of networks to strengthen local communities and reduce social isolation;

1. **Support for Vulnerable People**

Programs and projects to support people experiencing social isolation, food insecurity, domestic violence or homelessness; and/ or

1. **Economic Security**

Programs and projects to develop employment and financial skills.

1. **HOW MUCH FUNDING IS AVAILABLE?**

$20,000 is allocated in the 2020/21 annual budget to support two Better Bayswater Grant funding rounds. There will be two Better Bayswater Grant funding round in October and February, unless funds are expended.

Applicants can apply for up to a maximum of $5,000 for their project, subject to applicants matching a minimum of 50% of the project funds. The applicant’s contribution can be cash, in-kind or a combination of both.

1. **WHAT TYPE OF PROJECTS WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED?**

The City will not consider applications for:

* Fundraising projects and initiatives;
* Retrospective applications;
* Ongoing organisational operating costs such as wages or salaries;
* Projects or programs that charge for participation;
* The purchase of assets, furniture and equipment; or
* Community events, unless they primarily:
* provide learning opportunities for participants
* raise awareness for a program, initiative or cause
1. **WHY WON’T THE BETTER BAYSWATER GRANT FUND COMMUNITY EVENTS?**

The City has a Community Events Grant for local groups or organisations who want to plan an event.
For more information about the Community Events Grant visit the City of Bayswater website <https://www.bayswater.wa.gov.au/>

1. **WHAT IS AN ‘IN-KIND CONTRIBUTION’?**

Community organisations often contribute to a project with their own resources. In-kind support refers to goods or voluntary work donated for the project. For example, a graphic designer might donate their time to design the marketing materials, or your venue hire fees might be waived. These can be accepted as an alternative to a financial contribution.

1. **COSTING IN-KIND CONTRIBUTIONS (VOLUNTARY LABOUR)**

Voluntary labour can be calculated at the following rates:

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| **Unskilled: $20/hour** | General work is being undertaken where no recognised qualification is required. |
| **Skilled: $35/hour** | A person with a recognised qualification specific to the work being undertaken e.g. Tradesperson, Chef, Arborist etc. |
| **Professional: $50/hour** | A person with a formal tertiary qualification specific to the work to be undertaken i.e. architectural, legal, engineering, surveying work or similar. |

Please note that if you use voluntary labour as an in-kind contribution you will be required to include a volunteer roster in your acquittal, and each volunteer must sign to confirm their hours.

1. **GRANT APPLICATION PROCESS**

All applications will go through the following assessment process:

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| 1. Submit | Submission of online application with supporting documentation  |
| 2. Assessment | Assessment of applications conducted by a panel  |
| 3. Outcome  | Applicants are advised of the outcome of their application  |
| 4. Funding agreement | Applicants sign a funding agreement with the City of Bayswater |
| 4. Payment  | Funds provided to successful applicants |
| 5. Project delivery  | Project delivered within specified timeframe, as per funding agreement  |
| 6. Acquittal | Applicants complete acquittal within 30 days of the conclusion of the project |

1. **WHEN WIILL APPLICANTS KNOW THE OUTCOME OF THEIR GRANT APPLICATION?**

Once applications close, the City will take up to 14 working days to assess applications received. In the event that this timeframe is extended, applicants will be informed in writing of the delay and revised assessment timeframe. Each applicant will be notified of their grant application outcome.

1. **WHERE DO I FIND THE BETTER BAYSWATER APPLICATION FORM AND OTHER DOCUMENTS?**

Visit the City of Bayswater website <https://www.bayswater.wa.gov.au/>

1. **CONTACT THE CITY OF BAYSWATER**

Prospective applicants are encouraged contact the **Community Development Team** on
***(*08) 9270 4122** before submitting a grant application.