**Better Bayswater Grant 2020/21
Information Form**

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

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

**Applications for Round Two 2020/21 open on Monday 1 March and close at 5pm on Wednesday
31 March 2021.**

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

$20,000 is allocated in the 2020/21 annual budget to support two Better Bayswater Grant funding rounds.

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. **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. **WHO WILL THIS GRANT BENEFIT?**

The City’s focus for its Better Bayswater Grant is to benefit a range of population groups including:

* First peoples
* Families
* Multicultural
* Homelessness
* People with disability
* Volunteers
* Youth
* Children
* Seniors
* Local business (directly/ indirectly)
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.

To discuss your grant ideas, please contact the City’s Community Development team on 9270 4122.

**5.1. SUPPORT FOR LOCAL BUSINESSES**

In addition to the above the City is also looking for grant applications that directly or indirectly assist in the recovery of local businesses. For example, auspiced individual/ community groups might engage local suppliers for entertainment and activities, consultancy services or catering.

1. **WHAT 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;
* Community events, unless they primarily;
* provide learning opportunities for participants; or
* Raising awareness for a program, initiative or cause.

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

Following the application closing date, 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.

1. **HOW DO I APPLY?**

Before starting your application, please review this document in its fullness, FAQ document; and grant application to ensure you are eligible to apply. These can be found on the City's website, <https://www.bayswater.wa.gov.au/>

1. **CONTACT THE CITY OF BAYSWATER**

Prospective applicants are encouraged to contact the Community Development team on 9270 4122 to discuss their proposal prior to submission.

We also recommend you have a look at our grants, sponsorship and fundraising - hints and tips