

City of Bayswater Grants Program Policy

Responsible Division	Community and Development
Responsible Business Unit	Community Development
Responsible Officer	Manager Community Development
Affected Business Units	Community Development Planning and Place Corporate and Strategy Project Services Sustainability, Environment and Waste
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Purpose

The City of Bayswater Grants Program Policy aims to provide financial funding to:

1. An incorporated not-for-profit organisations/association or an auspice organisation or individual for a specific project which results in a defined community benefit. For example, inclusive of a social, sporting, cultural, environmental and/or charitable group context; and/or
2. An individual (resident) to support a specified activity must be based in City of Bayswater or primarily benefit residents and/or community of the City.

This Policy aims to establish best-practice grant-making that aligns with Council's vision and goals.

The following principles provide a framework for the design of the City of Bayswater Grants Program:

- **Capacity building** - To provide an opportunity to build the skills, networks and competency amongst individuals and organisations within the City of Bayswater. This includes the development of partnerships and collaborations which will ultimately provide sustainable projects and activities within the City of Bayswater.
- **Access and equity** - To support projects and programs representing a broad range of interests and needs within the community which align to; the Access and Inclusion Plan, Reconciliation Action Plan. Local Homelessness Plan, Youth Action Plan and Age Friendly Strategy; and any other relevant City plans.
- **Governance and accountability** - To have effective and efficient grant making processes proportional to the amount of funding being applied for, and the type of project being funded. Application and acquittal requirements are relative to the size of the grant provided.
- **Probity and transparency** - To follow a clearly outlined process to assess applications according to set funding criteria. Conflicts of interest are declared and addressed throughout an assessment process.
- **Value for money** - To seek to support grants that demonstrate good value for the amount of money or level of funding that has been requested. Projects and activities should not duplicate already existing services. Funding is subject to an annual budget approval process.