



Frequently Asked Questions

1. What type of funding opportunities does the City provide throughout the financial year under its Community Grants Program?

The City has four types of funding streams under its *Community Grants Program* that the community can apply for throughout each financial year; Better Bayswater Grant, Donations, Capital Works Grant and **Community Events Grant**. Information about these funding opportunities can be found on the City's website.

2. When can I apply for the Community Events Grant?

Applications open at 9am on Monday 6 December 2021 and close at 4pm on Friday 14 January 2022.

3. Why does the City provide these Community Events Grants?

The City values and strives to provide opportunities to partner with the community to deliver positive community outcomes which are consistent with, and complement, the City's strategic vision. The City encourages and supports the Community Events Grant funding to innovatively respond to social disadvantage, partnerships, community development and capacity building.

4. Why does the proposed event application need to provide a benefit to local businesses?

Due to the impacts that COVID19 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 Community Events Grants. The City has therefore made some amendments to its Community Events Grants criteria to ensure that priority is given to grant applications that directly or indirectly assist in the recovery of local businesses.

5. Can I apply for funding more than once in a financial year?

Funds are only available to an organisation, club or group once per financial year across the City's four *Community Grants Program* funding categories, which are; Better Bayswater Grant, Donations, Capital Works Grant and Community Events Grant. If a group has already received funding this financial year under any one of those categories, they are ineligible to apply for any further City funding until next financial year. If an organisation has also received funding through the Major Town Centres Event Grant, they are also ineligible to apply for a Community Events Grant for that same event.

6. If I have received previous funding from the City do I need to do anything different?

If you have previously applied for funding from the City (i.e. Better Bayswater Grant, Donation or Capital Works Grant) you will need to use the relevant Community Events Grant application form and understand the processes and criteria that apply to this specific grant. These can be found on the City's website, from City libraries or by contacting the relevant person on the number listed below.

7. Is funding from the City's Community Grants Program separate to other City funding available?

Yes. The four types of funding streams under the City's *Community Grants Program*; Better Bayswater Grant, Donations, Capital Works Grant and Community Events Grant is separate to other funding the City provides i.e. in-kind support for town centre events, fee waivers (as approved by Council) etc.

8. How long does it take to get a decision?

Using new assessment and decision making criteria, funding decisions can usually be made within one month (30 working days) from the close of applications. If the amount requested is in excess of \$5000, then it will require Council approval which will delay the assessment.

9. If we are not incorporated will that be a problem?

This is not a problem; it just means that you will need to partner with another group or organisation which is incorporated. We may be able to help you identify an appropriate partner organisation.

10. How can I calculate in-kind/voluntary labour?

Voluntary Labour can be calculated at the following rates:

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.

11. I have more questions, who can I call to ask?

Contact the City's Funding Contact Officer for the Community Events Grant on 9272 0622.