# COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GRANTS - FAQs



# **About the Community Development Grants**

City of Playford Community Development Grants Program offers financial support to non-profit community organisations, groups and associations for projects, events, exhibitions or performances which contribute to the City as a vibrant and simulating place for people to live, work or visit.



# What Grant Options Are Available?

#### **Community Development and Event Grants**

Community Development and Event grants offer financial support to non-profit community organisations, local groups and associations for proposals which:

- Activate community spaces
- Deliver innovative, creative or new opportunities for Playford residents to become involved in their local community
- Encourage and support arts, cultural development, physical activity, health and wellbeing
- Demonstrate collaboration between organisations and the local community and maximise community benefit
- Develop and initiate locally based events, exhibitions or performances open to the whole community, which make a positive contribution to community and cultural life in the City of Playford

#### **Equipment Grants**

With an upper limit of \$1,000, these grants are open year-round to non-profit community organisations, groups and associations for the purchase of equipment that will support an existing community group or project, program or activity in City of Playford. Examples may be sporting clubs, youth groups, performing arts, etc.

# What Funding Options are Available?

Funding Type	Upper limit	Assessments
Community Development and Event Grant	\$5,000	One funding every two years
Equipment Grants	\$1,000	

#### How will my Application be assessed?

#### **Community Development & Event Grants**

Your grant application will be assessed by a Grant Panel of staff and approved via a Council report.

#### **Equipment Grants**

Your Equipment Grant application will be assessed and approved by the City of Playford's Grants Officer and Manager Community Development.

#### **Not Incorporated?**

If your group is not incorporated then you will need to organise for an incorporated organisation to either apply for or auspice the grant on your behalf.

This means that the other organisation would agree to act as a 'Banker' for the grant. An auspice organisation will agree to take on the responsibility to acquit the grant on behalf of your group.

The organisation will need to complete part of the application form and sign an agreement confirming that the grant will be used for the purposes that you have stated in the application.

A support letter also needs to be attached to the application and this needs to be completed before your application is lodged.

Note that Council will not auspice your grant or find an auspice organisation on your behalf.



#### No ABN?

If your group does not have an ABN then you will need to complete an <u>Australian Taxation Office Statement by a Supplier form</u> and attach the form to your application.

# Useful tips when applying for Grants

These tips provide guidance for completing applications for future grant applications. Following these tips in no way guarantees you will be successful in future funding rounds.

- Read the application guidelines carefully
- Check your eligibility in the guidelines. Some organisations such as schools, universities, government departments and for-profit companies are not eligible for funding
- When answering questions, always refer back to the advice in the guidelines that corresponds to each question. Keep your answers accurate, clear and concise, and make sure they directly relate to the questions. When describing what your organisation does, ensure that you provide examples of the activities performed by volunteers
- Think carefully about the purpose and the amount of grant money you request. The amount you
  request affects how likely your application is to receive funding. Priority is given to applications
  which will have maximum benefit for the local community for a small outlay. Do not apply for more
  than the maximum amount
- Check guideline fact sheets to ensure the purpose for which you are asking for funding is eligible
- Read over your answers before submitting your application



Check the closing dates for applications and submit your application as early as possible. Late
applications will not be accepted. If posting your application, make sure you send it to the specified
address. Keep a full copy of the completed application form and, if submitting by mail, keep
evidence of the date it was posted

# How do I Lodge my Application?

Lodge the completed application (with supporting documentation) in one of the following ways:

Email	Post	In Person
grants@playford.sa.gov.au	Attn: Grants Officer	Playford Civic Centre
	12 Bishopstone Road	10 Playford Boulevard
	Davoren Park SA 5113	Elizabeth SA 5112

#### Who do I contact for help or information?

The Grants Officer is available to assist with your enquiries and questions. Contacting the Grants Officer can increase the chances of your application being successful.

Grants officer can be contacted via:

Email	Post	Phone	In Person
grants@playford.sa.gov.au	Attn: Grants Officer	8256 0230	Playford Civic Centre
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# Want to apply for a grant, but not sure where to look?

Here are some links to grants that may become available. The grants are all different so be sure to check the grant guidelines to ensure your organisation is eligible and that the project meets the criteria.

- Subscribe to <u>Our Community's</u> Easy Grants newsletter. Subscribers receive a copy of Easy Grants each month, containing a comprehensive list of all Government, philanthropic and corporate grants funding available in Australia – with grant outlines, requirements, links and closing dates.
- List all the government bodies you deal with, and talk to them or search their websites for grants
- List any foundations that you know specialise in your area of expertise
- List the agencies or bodies that aim at dealing with the problems or issues that fall into your area of expertise
- List non-profit organisations that share your territory and find out any external grants they have gained either by studying their annual reports or by talking to them
- Talk to groups you already have contact with, and who might be able to help
- Find a contact person inside the various agencies that deal in your area and ask them about grant opportunities they might have for your group
- Talk to your State or Federal MP about government grants programs

#### Other grant options:

- Community Benefit SA Grants
- SA Grants Directory
- Office for Recreation and Sport

- National Youth Week grants
- South Australian Youth Arts Board
- NRM Community Grants



- DPTI Community Grants
- Local Sporting Champions Grants

• <u>Suez Community Grants</u> -Environmental grants

# **Acquittal and Evaluation of Grants**

On completion of the successfully-funded project, activity or event, recipients are required to return the supplied Acquittal Form and Financial Statement (including copies of receipts) to Council.

The grant must be successfully acquitted before your community group or organisation will be eligible to apply for future funding through the City of Playford Community Development Grants Program.

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