

**COMMUNITY
CONNECTIONS**

Sunshine Coast Council
Community Grants
Museums & Galleries

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Council Vision



Australia's most sustainable region
Healthy, Smart, Creative

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2016-17 – Programs delivering over \$4.65 million in Funding Support through 1,051 Grants to 505 community groups and 252 individuals

Community Funding 2018

Grant	Open	Close	Amount	Notification
Major Grants	23 July	3 September	\$2,000* - \$30,000** *Co-funding > \$7,500 ** >\$15,000 Facilities	Round Close + 12 weeks ie. Nov OM
Minor Grants	26 March	14 May	Up to \$2,000	Round Close + 8 weeks (late June)
Minor Grants	24 September	5 November		(mid Dec)
Minor Grants (Events only)	23 July	3 September		(mid Oct)
Emergency	Application submission at any time		Up to \$2,000	Approx 2 weeks
Community Partnerships	EOIs 16 April – 14 May	Full Applications 4 June	Operational Funding - up to three years	August OM



Community Partnerships – Heritage Levy

Culture, heritage and diversity are valued and embraced

AIM: Supporting community organisations whose prime purpose is to ensure the conservation, access and promotion of regionally significant cultural heritage items, collections, places and events through:

- Increased awareness of our local heritage
- Increased accessibility to our local heritage
- Conservation and protection of the heritage of our communities

Eligible organisations: Incorporated, not for profit community organisations
ie. Museums and other groups with a significant local heritage focus



Community Grant Categories



Cultural Heritage Priorities



Provide opportunities to identify, document and preserve the history of settlement

Feature Aboriginal culture and heritage – First Nation and RAP aligned

Provide access to, interpret and protect the unique lifestyles, places and/or landscapes

Feature contemporary heritage (post-1950's), including coastal heritage

Tell the regional stories of WWI to commemorate anniversary of 1914-18 War

Additional Priorities



Projects must clearly articulate community need and benefit:

- Encourage collaboration with other regional heritage organisations
- Incorporate innovative practises and/or procedures to conserve and promote regional heritage
- Ensure the project has lasting community benefit

Note: not for infrastructure improvements / works on buildings

Community Facilities



Infrastructure projects - the development or maintenance of buildings or land

Provide accessible community facilities which enable opportunities for social interaction

Note: Fixed /Installed items; improvements to a building accessible to broader community

Community Events



Supporting & building capacity of local event management talent and suppliers

Contribute to local economy by planning events which attract a broad range of patrons

Promoting a vibrant, diverse and fun place to live and visit

Celebrate and contribute to our lifestyle, environment and culture



Project Co-funding / Contributions

AMOUNT REQUESTED FROM COUNCIL	CO-FUNDING REQUIREMENT	COUNCIL CONTRIBUTION
Up to \$7,500	No requirement	Up to 100% of project costs from Council
\$7,501 - \$15,000	50% of total project costs from other source/s ie. \$20k request requires \$10k co-funding	Up to 50% of project costs from Council (up to 20% in-kind)
\$15,001 - \$30,000 (for infrastructure projects only)	75% of total project costs from other source/s ie. at max \$30K request, project value would exceed \$120K	Up to 25% of project costs from Council (up to 20% in-kind)

Good Project Planning

Before you apply:

- **Why** does this project need to happen
- **What** are you proposing to do?
- **How** are you going to achieve this?
- **When** are the key dates / milestones?
- **Where** are the activities happening?
- **Who** is involved in the project?
- **What** costs are involved?



Efficient Grant Seeking

Ensure your project is a good match:

- Check eligibility of your organisation
- Check alignment to priorities/focus
 - Council's Grants Directory
 - subscriptions and websites
- Ask questions - talk with funder
- Consult widely - find partners to assist
- Collect supporting evidence
 - statistics, approvals and letters...



Submitting Applications

Use your Project Plan

- Check closing date/time/notification
- Ask key questions early
- Contact funder to clarify queries
- Allow time to gather information
- Deal with technology issues
- **SUBMIT** before the deadline!



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Grants Management

Success -Notification Letters/Agreements

Acquittals can be simple:

- Acknowledgement of funder
- Keep/Track invoices/receipts
- Measures of success:
 - What changed because of your project?
 - What actually happened/improved?
 - Who benefited and how?
 - Provide evidence of outcomes
ie. reports, surveys, photos, marketing, media stories...



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Questions?

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