



Local Events and Minor Grants Programs

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Overview

- Key References
 - WDRC Community Grants Policy and Organisational Procedure. All available on the website www.wdrc.qld.gov.au
- What we will cover today
 - Local Events Program
 - Minor Grants Program
 - Other funding options within Council

Local Events Program

- Program aims
 - assist and support local organisations in the provision of traditional festivals or culturally significant events for their local community or sponsorship of community activities.
 - supports the development and growth of festivals and events across the region and grants for awards and competitions.
 - Applications for up to \$10,000 can be considered



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Local Events Program

- Categories for funding
 - Significant Community Events
 - Town Christmas Celebrations
 - Local Shows
 - Significant historical events
 - Regional Events
 - Race days
 - Regional level events
 - Regional competitions & awards
 - Local Events
 - Local competitions & awards
 - Local events
 - Dux Awards



Local Events Program

- In Kind Assistance
 - Council provides materials or services within Council's core business at no charge to the applicant; eg labour, plant, equipment
 - Events that are requesting In Kind Assistance as well as cash must be considered in the one application



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Local Events Program

- Examples of funded events
 - Local Shows across the region
 - Bell Art Show Competition
 - Fusions on the Field
 - Melon Festival Art Competition
 - Trail bike rides
- Closing Dates
 - First Tuesday in February, May and September



Minor Grants Program

- Program Aims:
 - To develop, strengthen and enhance the capacity of not for profit organisations to provide projects that compliment and improve services and activities of benefit to the community.
 - Preference is given to organisations that contribute financially towards the project.





Minor Grants Program

- What will we fund?
 - Maximum funding is \$10,000
 - If your request is for more than \$5,000, you must submit a full project plan which is contained within the application
 - Funding is for equipment, physical projects
 - Painting of a club house
 - Purchase of equipment for a community hall
 - Install shipping containers for storage



Minor Grants Program

- What we will not fund
 - Government funded organisations
 - Groups that operate a commercial licensed premise or have gaming machines.
 - Uniforms for individuals or teams
 - Recurrent projects
 - Consumables, salaries and wages
- Closing Dates:
 - First Tuesday in May and September



Other Funding Opportunities

- In Kind Assistance
 - Council provides materials or services within Council's core business at no charge to the applicant; eg labour, plant, equipment
- Reimbursement Program
 - provide financial support to the volunteer management committees responsible for managing Council owned facilities or those facilities Council is trustee of and the approved user groups or support groups of such facilities
 - Up to \$1000 per year
 - Apply year round



Other Funding Opportunities

- CS Energy Community Benefits Fund
 - Funding partnership with Council and CS Energy
 - Round 10 currently open – closing 21 April 2017
 - Eligible communities are Chinchilla, Brigalow and Kogan
 - Project based funding
 - Community infrastructure (facilities and services)
 - Skills, education, training and youth development
 - Safety, health and wellbeing
 - Environment and sustainability
 - Does not fund events



Other Funding Opportunities

- Local Community Events Fund
 - Funded through the Community Drought Support Program as a drought declared region
 - One off program running until 31 October 2017
 - Applications must deliver of a range of local community events and activities that contribute to connectedness, social well-being and increased access to support services.
 - Applications up to \$1000
 - Must submit application at least 4 weeks prior to the event
 - P&C' s and Community Centres are able to apply under this program



The Last Bit!

- How to apply
 - All funding is made online through our Smarty Grants platform
 - Link from Council website – www.wdrc.qld.gov.au
 - Any questions – please contact our Grants Administration Officer or your local Community Development Officer.
 - Please allow 8 weeks from closing date of the funding round to the commencement of your project or event.

Questions!



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