

Rural Access Quick Win Grant



The Rural Access Grants Quick Win Grant is a one off grant that will help communities in the Horsham, Hindmarsh, West Wimmera and Yarriambiack municipalities to improve access and inclusion for people

FUNDING GUIDELINES

The Rural Access Quick Win Grant will allocate funding to local not-for-profit organisations, groups and associations for 2018.

The minimum allocation is \$2,500 and the maximum allocation per organisation is \$7,500.

Projects which have a cash and/or in-kind contribution by the applicant organisation are encouraged.

Grant applications must identify how their project will improve the lives of people living with disability.

This grant funding is for 2018. Applications open 7 May 2018 and close 15 June

2018 for projects that can commence immediately and be completed by 31 December, 2018.



Details of the Program

Who can apply?

The following criteria need to be met to be eligible for a Rural Access Quick Win Grant:

- Be a not-for-profit group
- Be incorporated or have an auspicing body
- Include direct benefits to residents of one of the four municipalities of the Wimmera region

Who cannot apply?

- You are an individual or seeking funding for the operation of a commercial business
- Funds required for infrastructure or large equipment
- You have already commenced and spent money on the project.
- Projects that require ongoing funding from the program
- Your application is received after the closing date
- Projects that are a clear duplication of an existing service

Project examples

The grant can be used for:

- Start-up seed funding for new programs
- Existing programs
- Short term projects
- Staff training
- Events
- Small scale equipment required to improve inclusion

All applications should include

- Details of what the grant funds will be spent on (Question 4)
- An indication of other funds that will be put towards the project (Question 4)
- An estimate of volunteer in-kind support for the project (Question 4) (use a rate of \$25 per hour to work out this budget figure)
- A quote for all individual goods and services valued at over \$1,000 included in your application

Assessment Criteria

Applications will be assessed by a panel representing the four participating Councils in accordance with the following criteria:

- The level of contribution to the project by the applicant (cash and in-kind)
- The spread of grants across the four municipalities
- How well the project promotes inclusion
- Value for money – considering number of users to benefit from the project

Notification of outcome

Applicants will be notified of the outcome of their application by **13 July, 2018**.

Submit an Application by 15 June 2018. An electronic application form can be downloaded at: hrcc.vic.gov.au/Community-Services/Grant-Information/Rural-Access-Grants

Send completed applications to council@hrcc.vic.gov.au (preferred) or send a hard copy to

Rural Access

Horsham Rural City Council

PO Box 511

Horsham, 3402

Want to know more? Please contact Anne Donovan, Community Development Manager on Ph: 5382 9591. Or TTY (NRS) Dial: 133 677 then ask for 03 53829 591

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Payment of Grant Funding

Payment of grants will be made upon receipt of invoices or evidence of project payments or imminent payments by the organisation.

All grant funds to be expended by 31 December 2018.

Reporting Back or Acquittal

Successful applicants are required to complete a Project Report upon completion of the project.

The template for the Project Report can be downloaded at hrcc.vic.gov.au/Community-Services/Grant-Information/Rural-Access-Grants



Other information

- An offer of a grant does not mean any ongoing funding commitment or obligation by Councils
- Rural Access should be acknowledged on any promotional material or media coverage relating to the project
- The program may only allocate part funding for individual projects