



**9.3 COMMUNITY GRANTS PROGRAM 2018-19
RECOMMENDATIONS FOR FUNDING SUPPLEMENTARY
REPORT 2**

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1. PURPOSE

- 1.1 To seek Council endorsement of the recommendations for funding for the 2018-2019 Community Grants Program by the Community Grants Assessment Panel.

2. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 2.1 In addition to the Council decision on recommendations for funding to the Community Grants Program 2018-2019, there are a number of supplementary reports and recommendations for funding due to Councillor conflict of interest.
- 2.2 This report presents Council with recommendations prepared by the Community Grants Assessment Panel for funding two applications as detailed in Attachment 1: Community Grants Program 2018-19 Recommendations for Funding Supplementary Report 2.

3. RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

- 3.1 Endorses the Community Grants Assessment Panel's funding allocation recommendations for the 2018-2019 Community Grants program.
- 3.2 Makes public the list of successful applicants for the Community Grants Program.
- 3.3 Thanks the community members who have volunteered their time to the Community Grants Assessment Panel.

4. KEY POINTS/ISSUES

- 4.1 The Community Grants Program provides funding to community organisations and groups to deliver programs that build on local strengths to develop active, healthy, connected and inclusive communities.
- 4.2 In this Supplementary Report, there are two applications recommended by the assessment panel for approval by Council. These are listed in Attachment 1: Community Grants Program 2018-19 Recommendations for Funding Supplementary Report 2.



5. CONSULTATION AND STAKEHOLDERS

- 5.1 Eligible applications were assessed by two Assessment Panels, each consisting of one councillor, two local community members endorsed by Council and a City of Port Phillip Council officer.
- 5.2 Panel members assessed applications individually online prior to convening for group discussion and debate over three separate meetings.
- 5.3 Panel members also provided feedback on the Community Grants Program and assessment process.

6. LEGAL AND RISK IMPLICATIONS

- 6.1 There are no known risks to Council in adopting this recommendation.

7. FINANCIAL IMPACT

- 7.1 The recommendations for the funding for the 2018-19 Community Grants Program align with the allocated budget.

8. ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

- 8.1 The Community Grants Program encourages applicants to apply for funding to deliver sustainability projects and/or to consider sustainability in their project planning and implementation.

9. COMMUNITY IMPACT

- 9.1 The Community Grants Programs promote social inclusion and community engagement by supporting projects that value contribution and participation to the Port Phillip community.
- 9.2 The Community Grants Program is one way that the Council ensures social justice for all in its delivery of services, programs and projects. This is achieved through the criteria for assessment having a strong emphasis on social inclusion and equity principles.
- 9.3 The Community Grants Program funds local community programs and services which enables continued employment in the Non-for-Profit Sector.

10. ALIGNMENT TO COUNCIL PLAN AND COUNCIL POLICY

- 10.1 Applications are sought for projects that enhance diversity, enable community participation and decision making and contribute to the building of healthy, strong and inclusive communities. Projects should contribute to the Council Plan Strategic Directions and are evaluated according to how well they meet program priorities.

- 10.1.1 We embrace difference, and people belong:
 - a) A safe and active community with strong social connections.



- b) Supporting programs that create social connections and strengthen community networks.
- c) Building community capacity by harnessing the knowledge, expertise and spirit within our community.
- d) Supporting programs that reduce the harms associated with alcohol and other drug use, family violence and enabling all people to reach their health potential.
- e) An increase in affordable housing.
- f) Establishing and facilitating partnerships to support delivery of diverse and innovative projects to reduce the risk of homelessness.
- g) Access to services that support the health and wellbeing of our growing community.
- h) Facilitating access to relevant services that cater for all ages and life stages.
- i) Exploring partnerships and innovative ways of delivering services.
- j) Community diversity is valued and celebrated.
- k) Supporting programs and events that engage, honour and are inclusive of our diverse social and cultural communities.

11. IMPLEMENTATION STRATEGY

11.1 TIMELINE

- 11.1.1 Following Council endorsement, letters will be sent to both successful and unsuccessful applicants by 20 July 2018. Verbal feedback will also be offered to unsuccessful applicants.
- 11.1.2 Successful applicants will be posted a cheque by 11 August 2018.
- 11.1.3 Successful projects will be announced on the Council website in the form of an e-book

11.2 COMMUNICATION

- 11.2.1 Applicants will be advised of the outcomes of their application in writing by post or email.

12. OFFICER DIRECT OR INDIRECT INTEREST

- 12.1 No officers involved in the preparation of this report have any direct or indirect interest in the matter.

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ATTACHMENTS 1. *Confidential*- Attachment 1: Community Grants Program 2018
19 Recommendations for Funding Supplementary Report 2