

Kyogle Council Bushfire Recovery Round ‘Community Assistance Grants’



Applications close at 4pm on Monday 6 April, 2020

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Purpose

Following the receipt of a Federal Bushfire Recovery Grant, Kyogle Council has resolved to call for applications under an additional round of the Community Assistance Grants using the existing grant application and assessment framework.

Funding is generally in accordance with the Kyogle Council Community Assistance Policy, however the amount of funding available has been increased, the requirement for a match contribution has been relaxed and the scope has been extended to include funding for events.

It should be noted that this program applies to communities across the entire Kyogle Local Government Area.

One-off donations can be accessed by eligible organisations and individuals who demonstrate the greatest need and/or benefit to the wider community in the areas of:

- Welfare
- Community involvement/social interaction
- Sport and recreation
- The Arts
- Youth affairs
- Senior citizens affairs
- Cultural Assistance

Public Notice Inviting Applications for Assistance

Council will advertise inviting applications for financial assistance from local organisations or individuals.

Maximum Assistance

The maximum amount that will be provided per application is as follows:

Co-contribution

Council will provide up to \$25,000 for projects that provide a social or economic benefit to the community and come with a co-contribution from the applicant.

Organisations

Council will provide up to \$5,000 for projects that provide a social or economic benefit to the community.

Individuals

Council will provide up to \$500 for projects that provide a social or economic benefit to the community and/or assist individuals to participate in the community and/or achieve their goals.

Eligibility

State and Federal Government agencies and businesses are ineligible. This does not include community organisations such as Parents and Citizens (P&C) Groups and similar groups that are not funded by State and Federal Agencies.

The use of funds for improvements to communal use facilities, e.g. halls, clubhouses, facilities, playing fields, and the purchase of new equipment, etc. along with specific events or activities that improve the social aspect of disadvantaged groups in the community (such as aged or disabled) will be given priority.

Requests for assistance to finance ongoing running expenses such as salaries, utility accounts, etc. for organisations will be considered, but will be given a low priority.

Applications

Applications for funding must be in writing to the General Manager and should provide the following information:

- Details of the proposed investment to be carried out including timelines
- A copy of the grant funding application (available online)

Applications should be submitted by the specified deadline – late applications will not be considered.

Assessment Criteria

In assessing applications, Council will consider the following:

1. Does the application align with the overall intent and eligibility criteria of this fund?
2. Does the application align with priorities or objectives of adopted Council plans or strategies?
3. Does the application include accurate costings and/or a detailed budget (based on quotes)?
4. Will the project have a positive impact on the capacity, resilience or economy of the local community?
5. Will all necessary consents be in place in advance of the commencement of the project?
6. Will the project have a positive social, community or environmental impact?