BRING YOUR VISION TO REALITY WITH A COMMUNITY GRANT

Are you part of a not-for-profit group, organisation or club operating in the Strathbogie Shire and have a project that needs funding?

Applications for the Strathbogie Shire Community Grants Program open from 9am Monday 18th March until 4pm Friday 26th April 2019 for projects commencing after 1st July 2019.

Grant categories for the 2019 program include:

Grant Category	Maximum grant amount
Active and Healthy Communities	$5000
Arts & Culture	$5000
Environment and Sustainability	$5000
Facilities and Infrastructure	$5000
Small Projects	$1000

Event grants have been removed from the Community Grants Program this year, as Council would like event organisers to alternatively apply for sponsorship, which is now available throughout the entire year.

Council is running a number of information sessions to discuss changes to the grant guidelines, the SmartyGrants application process and to answer any questions groups may have about the Community Grants Program.

Events staff will also be available at these sessions to discuss event sponsorship, which can also be applied for through the SmartyGrants application process.

If you're interested in applying for a grant or event sponsorship, Council is holding the following information sessions:

Location	Date and time
Violet Town Community Complex 35 Cowslip St, Violet Town	Thursday 4 April 2pm – 4pm
Euroa Conference Centre 1B Bury St, Euroa	Thursday 4 April 6pm – 8pm
Avenel Memorial Hall 1 Queen St, Avenel	Monday 8 April 5pm – 7pm

| Nagambie Regatta Centre
66 Loddings Lane, Nagambie | Thursday 11 April 2pm – 4pm |

In addition to the information sessions, Council is holding the following one-on-one drop-in sessions by appointment:

Location	Date and time
Avenel Memorial Hall 1 Queen St, Avenel	Thurs 21 March 10am-12noon
Euroa Conference Centre 1B Bury St, Euroa	Wed 27 March 4pm - 6pm
Violet Town Community Complex 35 Cowslip St, Violet Town	Wed 17 April 2pm - 4pm
Nagambie Lakes Community House 11 Prentice St, Nagambie	Wed 24 April 1pm - 3pm

Please note you will be required to bring your computer and log in details to the drop-in sessions.

Strathbogie Shire Mayor Cr Amanda McClaren said grants are a great opportunity for Council to partner with local groups to deliver projects that are of community benefit.

"When assessing grant applications, we are looking for initiatives that promote community engagement and participation, support gender equity, social inclusion and improve accessibility or contribute to building healthy and vibrant communities," Cr McClaren said.

"We've funded some great projects through the Community Grants Program over the years and we look forward to partnering with our community again for the 2019-20 program."

For more information, to access the grant guidelines or to lodge application, visit www.strathbogie.vic.gov.au/community/community-funding/community-grants-program.

If you'd like to book in for a one-on-one session or have any questions relating to grants or sponsorship, please contact Council Offices on 1800 065 993 or email info@strathbogie.vic.gov.au.

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