

MEDIA RELEASE

Subject: Community Grant Funding Opportunities

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COMMUNITY groups with project aspirations that benefit the community are encouraged to apply for a share of Round Two of the Rural City of Murray Bridge 2018-19 Community Grants Program.

Applications are now open for the Rural City of Murray Bridge Community Events, Grants and Donations and the Environmental funding program.

Mayor Brenton Lewis said these programs aim to support the efforts of community groups, clubs and other non-profit organisations by helping them deliver projects, events and other activities that contribute to the wellbeing and quality of life for residents of the Rural City of Murray Bridge.

"We see a vast array of projects and events delivered across the Rural City of Murray Bridge each year, from environmental initiatives, sporting infrastructure, community events and everything in between.

"I'd encourage community groups to consider initiatives they wish to deliver and apply for Council funding. We're delighted to be able to lend a hand," he said.

Community Events, Grants and Donations grants are capped at \$3,100 each, with the recipients required to match the amount dollar-for-dollar or in-kind.

Applicants must be incorporated or have the support of a suitable incorporated body to receive funds on the applicant's behalf.

Sport and Recreation Facilities funding of \$60,000 is also available throughout the year. These grants aim to improve sporting facilities and can be accessed by contacting Team Leader Youth Sport and Recreation Sport and Recreation Kevin Heyndyk on 8539 1127.

Small Wins/Quick Wins grants of \$100,000 annually are also available for other projects that provide community benefit (unavailable during community grant rounds).

An information session will be held in the upstairs meeting room at the Murray Bridge Town Hall at 12 noon on Wednesday 20 February for prospective applicants to gather information, ask questions, and discuss opportunities for grant funding.

Following assessment of applications, those recommended for approval will be considered at the Council Meeting to be held on 8 April, 2019. Funds will be provided to successful groups later in April 2019.

To attend the information session please RSVP by 15 February to Simone Zrna on 8539 1182 or email s.zrna@murraybridge.sa.gov.au. Light refreshments will be provided.

Grant application forms are available from the Council's website www.murraybridge.gov.au or the Local Government Centre at 2 Seventh Street Murray Bridge.

Grant applications close 4.45pm Friday 1 March 2019.