

COMMUNITY GRANTS

STRONGER COMMUNITIES FUND—COMMUNITY GRANT PROGRAM

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OVERVIEW

The Community Grant Program is aimed at delivering a range of facilities, infrastructure and services to create stronger communities for local residents.

Dubbo Regional Council has progressively been delivering the \$1 million Community Grant Program since 2016, with the funding allocation released over three financial years:

- \$349,580 awarded for 23 projects in 2016-17 – Round 1
- \$332,940 awarded for 24 projects in 2017-18 – Round 2
- \$317,500 awarded for 23 projects in 2018-19 – Round 3

ROUND 3 FUNDING

The total funding available for Round 3 was \$317,500.

78 applications were received from across the Dubbo Regional Local Government Area with a grant request of approximately \$1.7 million.

The independent Grants Assessment Panel met on 9 July 2018 to consider all applications and recommended 23 projects to Dubbo Regional Council for funding. Council resolved at its Ordinary Meeting on 23 July 2018 to accept the Panel's recommendations.

The successful Round 3 applicants/projects are:

No	Applicant	Project	Funding
1	1st Dubbo Scout Group	Welchman Street Hall Storage Shed, Dubbo	\$12,473
2	Brotherhood of the Good Shepherd Council	Preservation of the Brotherhood of the Good Shepherd Historical Documentation	\$8,248
3	Central West Barrel Horse Club	Geurie Rodeo Arena Upgrade, Geurie Racecourse and Sports Ground	\$14,784
4	Dubbo Aero Club	Dubbo Aero Club - Repaint Club Building, Dubbo City Regional Airport	\$1,000
5	Dubbo Cycle Club	Timing Equipment for the Dubbo Cycle Club Road Racing Program, Dubbo	\$15,000
6	Dubbo Dirt Bike Club Inc.	Morris Park Dirt Bike Facility, Dubbo - New Refrigerator and Air Conditioner	\$6,846
7	Dubbo Golf Club	Dubbo Golf Club Caterers Kitchen Upgrade, Dubbo	\$14,389
8	Dubbo Hockey Association Inc.	Installation of a PA system and covered BBQ cooking area at Pioneer Park, Dubbo	\$4,802
9	Dubbo Horse and Pony Club	Dubbo Horse and Pony Club - Purchase of Zero Turn Mower, Brocklehurst	\$6,999
10	Dubbo Netball Association	Dubbo Netball - New Tents and Training Equipment for Nita McGrath Netball Courts, Dubbo	\$8,961
11	Dubbo Triathlon Club	Dubbo Triathlon Club Signage Upgrade and Training	\$11,134
12	Mumbil District Progress Association Inc.	Mumbil Community Hall Air Conditioner, Mumbil	\$4,800
13	OEC Community Garden	OEC Community Garden BBQ, Dubbo	\$800
14	Royal Flying Doctor Service South Eastern Section	Flying Doctor - Ground Support Equipment Project, Dubbo	\$37,397
15	Stuart Town Advancement Association Inc.	Walking Trail and Beautification, Stuart Town	\$50,000
16	Talbragar Country Womens Association	CWA Hall Upgrade, Dubbo (decking & hand railing, air conditioner cage, flooring)	\$5,387
17	Wellington and District Cricket Association	Rygate Park Cricket Nets Upgrade, Wellington	\$15,000
18	Wellington Bowling Club Ltd	Wellington Bowling Club Outdoor Viewing and Entertainment Deck, Wellington	\$41,450

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19	Wellington Connect Inc. (Wellington Men's Shed)	Wellington Men's Shed - Concrete Driveway and Storm Water Disposal, Wellington	\$23,705
20	Wellington Information and Neighbourhood Services Inc. (WINS)	Background Blitz - Landscaping around the WINS centre, Wellington	\$17,125
21	Wellington Senior Citizens Club Inc.	New Dishwasher at the Wellington Senior Citizens Club, Wellington	\$7,600
22	Wellington Warriors Football Club Inc.	Wellington Warriors FC - Small Sporting Equipment Update, Pioneer Oval, Wellington	\$5,200
23	Wongarbron Country Women's Association	Wongarbron Country Women's Association Branch Landscaping Project, Wongarbron	\$4,400
TOTAL			\$317,500

Round 3 (2018-19) is the final year of the Community Grants Program. All projects funded under the Community Grants Program must be completed by 31 July 2019.

GRANT ACQUITTAL

Grant recipient organisations must complete and return to Council the Community Grants Program Acquittal Form with four (4) weeks of project completion (grant funds being expended).

Photos of completed project works MUST be provided as part of the acquittal.

Community Grants Program Acquittal Form (258.5KB)

Community Grants Program Acquittal Form (135KB)

PROGRAM BACKGROUND INFORMATION

ELIGIBLE PROJECTS

Community Grant Program funding is aimed at delivering a range of facilities, infrastructure and services to create stronger communities for local residents.

Types of projects include (but are not limited to): the upgrade of club facilities, funding of sporting equipment, or providing tools and equipment to improve the delivery of community services.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

To be successful for funding, Community Grant Program projects had to meet the following criteria:

1. Deliver social, cultural, economic or environmental benefits to local communities.
2. Address an identified community priority.
3. Be well defined with a clear budget.
4. Demonstrate that any ongoing or recurrent costs of the project can be met by the community group once grant funding has been exhausted.
5. The organisation must demonstrate the capacity to manage funds and deliver the project successfully.

ASSESSMENT

A Stronger Communities Fund Grant Assessment Panel was formed to assess projects against the Program's eligibility criteria and make recommendations to Dubbo Regional Council for consideration and approval of funding. The Panel comprised:

- The Mayor Dubbo Region (or delegate).
- The Member for Dubbo (or representative).
- Representative from the NSW Department of Premier and Cabinet.
- Other members, appointed by the Mayor of Dubbo Regional Council, as required.
- An independent probity advisor, to advise the Panel on their deliberations and assessment process.

PREVIOUS FUNDING ROUNDS

For information on the previous two Community Grant Program funding rounds please see:

- Round 1 (2016-17)
- Round 2 (2017-18)

CONTACT

General enquiries about the Stronger Communities Fund – Community Grants Program can be directed to Dubbo Regional Council's Economic Projects and Grants Officer on 02 6801 4000 or email grants@dubbo.nsw.gov.au.

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