Community
Grant Program

Funding Guidelines 2022-2023

CORANGAMITE SHIRE

PURPOSE OF THE PROGRAM

The aim of the program is to provide 'one off' financial assistance to community groups operating in the Corangamite Shire for:

- Workshops and equipment purchases
- Development of new community, leisure, cultural or recreational programs
- Community projects, activities, or events
- Planning activities (e.g. business plans).

ELIGIBILITY OF APPLICANTS

The program is open to community groups operating in the Corangamite Shire. These include but are not limited to:

- Youth groups
- Self-support groups
- Health and welfare organisations
- Cultural or recreational organisations
- Charitable organisations
- Information service providers
- Church groups
- Other community-based organisations deemed eligible.

Please Note: An applicant/ or club must be located within the Corangamite Shire municipal boundary or if located outside of the municipality clearly demonstrate service delivery and benefit to the Corangamite Shire community.

PERIOD OF GRANT

Grants open April and must be received by Council no later than Monday 23 May 2022. Successful applications will be notified after the July Council meeting.

It is expected that projects will be completed by 31 May 2023.

The grant is not available for projects or activities commenced prior to Council's Ordinary Meeting in July 2022.

WHAT FUNDING IS AVAILABLE?

Funding of up to $2,000 is available. Funding categories include:

- Community development activities
- Cultural activities
- Initiatives that address social disadvantage
- Cultural acquisitions (one off funding)
- Community projects, activities or events

ASSESSMENT CRITERIA

Funding allocations will be determined after considering:

- Number of applications and funds sought
- Demonstrated capacity of the applicant to complete the project.
- Use of local businesses and services.
- Compliance with assessment criteria.

Question	Detail
What is the project? Describe the need for the project. (30%)	Responds to identified community needs and issues.
Who will benefit from the project? How is community support demonstrated? What are the wider community benefits? (30%)	Projects should support the wider community by building the capacity of people and places enabling them to contribute and participate. Projects should encourage the widest possible community participation. Use of local businesses.
Is your organisation funded by or required to report to State Government of a Government agency? (10%)	Details the extent of support from State Government organisations.
Has your organisation received financial assistance from Council previously? (10%)	Details the extent financial assistance has been provided by Council in the past.
Is Council funding required or can the applicant fund the project themselves? What will funding supplied by Council be spent on? (10%)	Includes a current bank statement. Demonstrates a need for funding assistance. Consideration will be given to receipt of funding from other sources. Clear budget outlining income and outgoing expenses
What will be done and what planning has been undertaken in relation to the project? (10%)	Clearly identifies the project scope, methodology, proposed outcomes and timeframe. Includes concept/schematic plans for the project where applicable. Ongoing costs of project have been identified and applicant has detailed how this will be funded.

WHAT WILL NOT BE FUNDED?

- Ongoing facility maintenance
- Events or festivals which would be eligible under Council's Events and Festivals Policy
- An applicant whose project has received Corangamite Shire funding for the same activity within the same financial year, including budget allocation or other grant funding
- An applicant that has overdue debts to the Corangamite Shire
- An applicant that has failed to provide satisfactory acquittal reporting from any previous Corangamite Shire funding
- Requests for retrospective funding (i.e. funding for projects already commenced)
- Projects considered to be the responsibility of other authorities
- The purchase of land
- Projects or activities requiring recurrent funding
- Projects that directly benefit a business or a small number of individuals
- School, health service or other projects normally considered the responsibility of the Commonwealth or the State.
- An applicant whose project is linked in any way to a political party, political organisation, or political agenda.

APPLICATION FORMS AND FURTHER INFORMATION

Please note application forms are available in an electronic format at www.corangamite.vic.gov.au/grants

Applicants are invited to discuss their project/application with Garry Moorfield, Corangamite Shire Council, 181 Manifold Street, Camperdown, Phone: 5593 7100.

Completed applications will be accepted until 5 pm, Monday 23 May 2021.

Please forward to:

Corangamite Shire Council PO Box 84 Camperdown, 3260

Email: grants@corangamite.vic.gov.au