

Funding Guidelines 2023-2024

PURPOSE OF THE PROGRAM

The aim of the program is to provide financial assistance to local community groups and individuals operating in the Corangamite Shire to deliver beneficial community projects. This also includes groups adjoining the Shire whose activities provide benefit to Corangamite Shire communities.

Funded projects up to \$10,000 in value will provide beneficial environmental, economic, social or cultural outcomes to Corangamite communities.

Applicants may apply for annual funding over two consecutive years to fund a larger community project (up to \$20,000 in value).

Annual funding is provided by the Berrybank Wind Farm with the grants program administered by Corangamite Shire Council.

ELIGIBILITY OF APPLICANTS

The program is open to local community groups operating in the Corangamite Shire as well as individuals acting on behalf of their community. These include but are not limited to:

- Incorporated community associations
- Sporting clubs and recreation groups
- Environment groups
- Schools (where the project is not one that the education system would normally fund)
- Religious and charitable groups (provided that projects and their outcomes are open to the participation of all).
- Individuals acting on behalf of their community
- Other community-based organisations deemed eligible

Please note: The beneficial community project must be located within 75 km of the Berrybank Wind Farm.

PERIOD OF GRANT

Grant applications open on Monday 17 April 2023 and must be received by Council no later than Sunday 28 May 2023. Successful applications will be notified after the 25 July 2023 Council meeting.

It is expected that projects will be completed by 31 May 2024.

The grant is not available for projects or activities commenced prior to Council's Ordinary Meeting in July 2023.

WHAT FUNDING IS AVAILABLE?

Funding of up to \$10,000 is available. There is no requirement for matching or in-kind contributions.

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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 and why are you undertaking it? (20%)	Briefly describe the project and its intended outcomes.
Who will benefit, how will they benefit, for how long? (20%)	Provide a clear statement of the proposed local project's social, cultural, environmental and/or economic benefit to the community. Describe the community groups and individuals who will benefit from your project and the nature and impact of the benefit(s). Include any independent or objective evidence or assessments substantiating the claimed benefit(s).
Is your project supported by the community? (20%)	Provide evidence which demonstrates community support for your proposed project.
How will your project be carried out and by whom? (20%)	Provide a project plan with a timeline outlining the steps that make up the project and indicating who will be carrying them out. Include relevant permits, approvals and risk assessments.
What will project funding be spent on? (20%)	Provide a project budget with itemised income and expenditure. Include relevant quotes and estimates.

WHAT WILL NOT BE FUNDED?

- Requests for retrospective funding (i.e. funding for projects already commenced)
- Projects considered to be the responsibility of other authorities, including the State or Commonwealth
- The purchase of land
- Projects or activities requiring recurrent funding
- Projects that directly benefit a business or a limited number of individuals
- An applicant whose project is linked in any way to a political party, political organisation, or political agenda
- Projects located further than 75 km from Berrybank Wind Farm.

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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 28 May 2023.

Please forward to:

Corangamite Shire Council PO Box 84 Camperdown, 3260

Email: grants@corangamite.vic.gov.au