

Community Annual Grants

SUCCESSFUL APPLICANTS 2016 - 2017

Applicant	Project Title	Project Summary	Funded Amount
Auspicious Arts Projects	Artist Co-op	Establishment of an Artists Co-operative organisation to support emerging artists in Wyndham and deliver an annual program of pop-up community art events.	\$15,000.00
Volunteer West	Volunteering in Wyndham Expo	A one day expo showcasing local volunteer-involving organisations to promote local volunteering opportunities to Wyndham residents.	\$6,026.00
Western Edge Youth Arts	Wyndham Edge - Cultural Leadership Project	A series of theatre workshops targeting culturally and linguistically diverse young people to develop and perform their own pieces and the development of a community youth theatre ensemble.	\$25,000.00

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Drummond Street Services	Connections: Family and Young People	Workshops, forums and family connection activities to build skills and engagement for improved intergenerational relationships within South Sudanese families.	\$50,000.00
Weerama Festival Committee Inc.	Weerama Festival 2018	A 40th anniversary celebration of an annual local festival which showcases local culture and talent, promotes local community groups and family activities.	\$15,000.00
Wyndham Theatre Co	Strengthening the Wyndham Theatre Company	The development of a strategic plan and succession planning to strengthen the organisation's sustainability and relevance based on consultation with current partners, audience and theatre going public.	\$7,500.00
WEstjustice trading as Western Community Legal Centre	Schools' Couch- Surfing Myki Project	A pilot project that works with local schools and government partners to create a system for providing Wyndham's young homeless people with Myki cards so that they can stay engaged with school and get around without incurring a fine. The pilot's findings will be used to advocate for systemic change.	\$24,987.50
Kids Thrive Inc.	Kids as Catalyst – Wyndham pilot 2018: final year of a 3-year, child-led community building and leadership program promoting resilience and mental wellbeing.	A nine-month creative, experiential leadership and resilience program for upper primary students to create positive change in their local communities.	\$30,000.00
Wyndham Eid Festival Inc.	Community Strengthening Grants	An annual festival to celebrate Eid-ul-Adha, an important religious occasion for people of many different cultural backgrounds who practice Islam. The event is open to everyone.	\$18,000.00

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Werribee River Association	Building Our Strengths Project	This project will seek expert advice for strategic financial and partnership decisions; develop more efficient data management systems with the use of technology; and lift the profile of the organisation via the development and promotion of the organisation's history as well as marketing/promotion activities.	\$12,000.00
MiCare - New Hope Foundation Inc.	Enhance Multicultural Elders Project	The project is to run a seniors committee made up of seniors from refugee, asylum seeker and migrant backgrounds. The committee will meet regularly to plan elder recreation/leisure activities as well as participate in workshops on elders' rights and opportunities for elders.	\$23,500.00
Point Cook Cultural Community Inc.	Chinese New Year	An annual festival to celebrate Chinese New Year, an important event for many Asian communities. The festival is held at the Point Cook Town Centre and showcases a range of Chinese cultural activities and hands-on, skill developing activities. The event is open to everyone.	\$12,000.00
VICSEG New Futures	Strengthening family and community life	A project to support South Sudanese and Burmese families with their children from birth to the end of the high school years via: family bi-cultural mentors to help navigate service and education systems; parent and child (middle years) workshops targeting emerging intergenerational issues; and a program to increase refugee student engagement at Tarneit Secondary.	\$40,064.00
Wyndham Diwali Incorporated	Wyndham Diwali Mela 2017	An annual festival to celebrate Diwali (the festival of light) which coincides with the Hindu New Year and is an important festival in many countries in South East Asia. The event is open to everyone.	\$12,000.00
The Song Room	Community Harmony in Wyndham	A six month tailored in-school arts-based workshop programs at Woodville Primary School and Manorvale Primary School as well as a 'Creative Community Project' for the children's parents and members of the broader community.	\$21,622.50

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Kidsafe Victoria	Kidsafe Victoria Community Outreach Program - City of Wyndham	A series of tailored, one hour home safety presentations providing practical strategies to reduce the risk of injury hazards to babies, toddlers and young children in their homes.	\$2,000.00
Horn of Africa Communities Network Inc. (HACN)	Economic Participation for Women from Refugee Backgrounds Project (EPFW)	A partnership project providing pre-accredited training and experiential learning for women from Karen, Chin and a combined group of South Sudanese/Somali women to build their skill, confidence, employability and/or to establish their own micro-businesses.	\$22,350.00
Whitelion	Roads to Resilience	The project provides young people aged 15-24 who are at risk or engaged in anti-social or offending behaviours within the local community with social, legal and community support and advice.	\$50,000.00
Victorian Cultural Association (VCA)	Wyndham Holi (Festival of Colors)	An annual festival to celebrate Holi, an important religious occasion which marks the advent of spring for people from India and Nepal who practice Hinduism. The event is open to everyone.	\$18,375.00
Wyndham Track and Field Club Inc	Community Connect - Developing our 3 Year Plan	The project is to consult the community and develop a three-year strategic vision and plan for the club.	\$5,000.00
Shoestring Gardening Inc.	Growing Communities	Delivery of four forums and an excursion to assist in the establishment of a sustainability network, as well as a worm farm system for community education purposes.	\$15,100.00

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NatureWest	Empowering Environmental Action - A LandCare Army	The project to hold days where volunteers will revegetate land and collect litter in areas of environmental need in Wyndham.	\$12,000.00
Werribee River Association	'Testing the Water'	Analysis of water quality samples of the Werribee River, taken over the past three years, and an education session for middle years students on water quality.	\$5,200.00
Iramoo Community Centre	Up and Go Kids Cooking Program	An after school cooking program to provide children aged 6 to 12 years with the skills to prepare a healthy and nutritious breakfast, with a connection to the community garden.	\$4,980.00
Christmas At The Lakes	Christmas At The Lakes	An annual event to celebrate Christmas, an important religious occasion for people of many different cultural backgrounds who practice Christianity. The event is open to everyone and includes health and wellbeing information and activities run by local sports clubs/services.	\$6,000.00
The Dax Centre	Dax on Trax	School and community workshops and art making activities to increase empathy, awareness and safety in discussing mental health and emotional literacy. As well as a local exhibition of selected artworks from The Cunningham Dax Collection.	\$24,900.00
Project Respect	Outreach to licensed brothels and capacity building training of services within Wyndham LGA	The project involves outreach to vulnerable women and capacity building workshops for service providers in relation to supporting women in the sex industry (WISI) and women trafficked.	\$10,000.00

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Interchange Western	Healthy Connections	A series of workshops for Wyndham residents living with a disability on a range of health and wellbeing life- skills, support services, employment and sporting opportunities.	\$9,000.00
Phunktional Limited	Respectful Relationships Wyndham	A partnership project that delivers educational theatre performance on respectful relationships, dance workshops, professional development and a community performance The project aims to reduce the impact of binge- drinking, unsafe partying and sexual assault.	\$30,000.00
Deakin University	Prevention of family violence in culturally and linguistically diverse communities through effective information dissemination.	Inform women from three culturally and linguistically diverse communities in Wyndham about Family Violence, whilst evaluating the most effective way to provide this information to each community for future efforts.	\$23,856.50
Wyndham Track and Field Club Inc	Kick Start Athletics Program	The project is to run modified athletics physical skills program tailored to young children and adults over 30 years old for a six month period. The project will increase physical fitness.	\$5,000.00
Victorian Skateboard Association (VSA)	All Aboard Skateboarding Sessions	The project is to deliver free skateboarding workshops in local skate parks that teach young people how to skate, in a gender and culturally inclusive way.	\$9,000.00