

Community Garden Grant 2019

Grant Informtion

Wyndham City has a small amount of funding available to support local Wyndham community garden groups to:

- Make improvement to/or expand their community garden. Or
- 2. Engage the broader community about sustainable gardening and/or expand membership to the community garden.

This funding has been passed on from the Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning as part of the Caring for Our Local Environments initiatives which aims to connect community with green spaces and biodiversity, by supporting local governments across metropolitan Melbourne, to provide leadership to NGOs and community environment groups.

The maximum funding amount per application is \$2,000 for non-profit entities. If you are an unincorporated group, you may apply through an auspice organisation.

Applications and Decisions

The Grant funding round is open to any community group and non-profit entity within Wyndham.

Applications must be received by 4pm Monday 16th December 2019. Late applications will not be considered.

Successful applicants will be notified by email and phone call by Friday 31st of January 2020.

Decisions are final and no further discussions or correspondence will be entered into. Wyndham City staff reserve the right to reject applications that do not meet the selection criteria or are deemed to be offensive or unsafe.

Priorities & Eligibility

- 1. Applications must be received by <u>4pm Monday 16th December 2019.</u>
- 2. Applications must not exceed \$2,000.
- **3.** If holding an event, it must take place before 30th of June 2020. If funding used to make improvements or expand the community garden this must be spent by 30th of June 2020.
- **4.** The Community garden group must be a Not-for-Profit Organisation. If you are an unincorporated group, you may apply through an auspice organisation.
- **5.** The Community Garden Group must have a current Australian Business Number (ABN).
- 6. The Community Garden Group must have a valid Public Liability Insurance Policy (PLI). If your organisation does not have required PLI, please contact Council's Sustainability officer, <u>Karolina.Kubiak@wyndham.vic.gov.au</u> or 8734 5488 ext. 2075 to discuss options for obtaining such insurance.
- **7.** Your event/project must relate to either of the two objectives of the community garden grant:
 - Make improvement to/or expand their community garden.
 Or
 - 2. Engage the broader community about sustainable gardening and/or expand membership to the community garden.
- 3. Your event/project must take place in Wyndham.
- 4. The community garden must be accessible to the broader community. If located on private property, there must be assigned opening and closing times with access to the community.
- 5. If holding an event, you must consider venue and associated costs prior to application. A venue will not be provided to you.

- 6. If holding an event, you must ensure the venue has accessibility to people with disabilities.
- 7. Funding will not be provided to individuals, profit making organisations or political parties.
- 8. Funding will not be provided to any club/organisation that derive income from gambling and/or project activities that promote gambling.
- 9. Funding will not be provided to organisations or events that occur within venues containing electronic gaming machines, including the area immediately surrounding the venue, e.g. outdoor space, carpark
- 10. Preference will be given to applications that show value for money.
- 11. Preference will be given to applications that show partnerships.
- 12. Preference will be given to applications that show sustainability or long-term goals.
- 13. Preference will be given to applications that seek to strengthen and involve local communities, aim to reduce social isolation and are inclusive and open to anyone.
- 14. If holding an event, you must have read Council's Event Planning Guide. Available on request or at: <u>Event Planning Guide</u>
- 15.In September 2019 Council adopted a <u>Single Use Plastic Policy</u>, which has been developed to eliminate Council's supply of single use plastics at events and facilities. To help us comply with this policy, where possible, please use compostable or recyclable items and restrict the use of packaging to minimise waste disposal at your event.
- 16. If an event involves food preparation, a temporary food permit may be required. Please ensure you meet with Food Safety regulations. For further information please contact Wyndham City Health Department on (03) 9742 0777.