



Emerging Environmental Community Group Support Grant 2020

Grant Information

Wyndham City has opened a small grant funding facility to support emerging environmental community groups within Wyndham that have a focus on educating and engaging the community to care for our flora and fauna and enhance Wyndham's local biodiversity. By providing this support Wyndham City Council aims to grow our community-based environmental sector.

This grant will support new groups to:

1. Promote their group and expand their membership.

Or

2. Run events/workshops with a focus on local flora and fauna and community environmental volunteering.

This funding is supported by the Victorian Government as part of the Caring for Our Local Environments initiative.

The maximum funding amount per application is \$3,000 for non-profit entities.

Applications and Decisions

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

Applications must be received by 5pm Sunday 8th March 2020. Late applications will not be considered.

Successful applicants will be notified by email and phone call by Monday 16th March 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 **5pm Sunday 8th March 2020**.
2. Applications must not exceed **\$3,000**.
3. If holding an event, it must take place before 30th of June 2020. If funding is used to promote or expand the membership to the community group, this must be spent by 30th of June 2020.
4. The community group must be a Not-for-Profit Organisation. If you are an unincorporated group, you may apply through an auspice organisation.
5. The community group must have a current Australian Business Number (ABN).
6. The community group must have a valid Public Liability Insurance Policy (PLI) or be auspice by a group that does. If you are running an event and your organisation does not have required PLI, please contact Council's Environment officer, Rebecca.Bond@wyndham.vic.gov.au or 9742 1789 to discuss options for obtaining such insurance.
7. The community group must be an emerging group- have been established for less than one year.
8. Your event/project must relate to either of the two objectives of the Environmental Group Support grant:
 - a) Promote their group and expand their membership.Or
 - b) Run events/workshops with a focus on local flora and fauna and support community environmental volunteering.
9. Your event/project must take place in Wyndham.
10. If holding an event, you must consider venue and associated costs prior to application. A venue will not be provided to you.
11. If holding an event, you must ensure the venue has accessibility to people with disabilities.
12. Funding will not be provided to individuals, profit making organisations or political parties.

- 13.** Funding will not be provided to any club/organisation that derive income from gambling and/or project activities that promote gambling.
- 14.** 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.
- 15.** Preference will be given to emerging groups or groups that have been established for less than one year.
- 16.** Preference will be given to applications that show value for money.
- 17.** Preference will be given to applications that show partnerships.
- 18.** Preference will be given to applications that show long-term goals to support local flora, fauna and biodiversity.
- 19.** 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.
- 20.** If holding an event, you must have read Council's Event Planning Guide. Available on request or at: [Event Planning Guide](#)
- 21.** In September 2019 Council adopted a [Single Use Plastic Policy](#), 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 reusable, compostable or recyclable items and restrict the use of packaging to minimise waste disposal at your event.
- 22.** 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.