

Fair Access Grants

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Fair Access Program Information

The Fair Access Grants support community sporting clubs and organisations to create more inclusive, welcoming and equitable environments for women and girls to participate in sport and active recreation. Funding is available for initiatives that remove barriers to participation, improve access to facilities, equipment and programs, and support the objectives of the City of Melbourne Fair Access Policy and Action Plan.

Eligibility

Is your organisation a current user of a City of Melbourne community sport or recreation facility through one of the following arrangements? *

Seasonal Allocation Annual Allocation Lease Licence No

If no, your organisation is not eligible to apply.

Please upload evidence of your current seasonal allocation, annual allocation, lease or licence arrangement. *

Attach a file:

What is the name of the City of Melbourne sporting ground or facility your organisation uses? *

Does your organisation currently have any outstanding acquittals, debts or compliance matters with the City of Melbourne? *

- Yes
 No

If yes, your organisation is not eligible to apply.

Has the proposed initiative already commenced, been purchased or been contracted? *

- Yes
 No

*If yes, the initiative may not be eligible for funding.

Will the initiative directly support the participation of women and girls in community sport and active recreation? *

- Yes
 No

If no, your organisation is not eligible to apply.

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Applicant details

Organisation name *

Organisation Name

Street Address *

Address

Phone Number *

Must be an Australian phone number.

Email *

Must be an email address.

Website

Must be a URL.

Applicant ABN *

The ABN provided will be used to look up the following information. Click Lookup above to check that you have entered the ABN correctly.

Information from the Australian Business Register	
ABN	
Entity Name	
ABN Status	
Entity Type	
Goods & Services Tax (GST)	
DGR Endorsed	
ATO Charity Type	More information
ACNC Registration	
Tax Concessions	
Main Business Location	

Must be an ABN.

Contact person

Applicant Project Contact *

First Name

Last Name

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Position *

Phone Number *

Must be an Australian phone number.

Email *

Must be an email address.

Initiative Details

Initiative Information

Project Title *

Must be no more than 250 characters.

Total Amount Requested *

Must be a dollar amount.

What is the total financial support you are requesting in this application?

Initiative Start Date *

Must be a date.

Initiative End Date *

Must be a date.

Which funding category best describes your initiative? *

- Participation and Access
- Facilities and Infrastructure
- Equipment and Resources

Please provide a brief description of the initiative. *

Word count:

Up to 200 words

Provide a timeline for the delivery of the initiative, including key milestones. *

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Word count:
Up to 200 words

Is this a new initiative or an extension of an existing initiative? *

- New Initiative
- Expansion of Existing Initiative
- No
 - If no, your organisation is not eligible to apply.

If this is an expansion of an existing initiative, please explain how it differs from previous iterations and how the grant funding will enhance outcomes. *

Word count:
Up to 300 words

Alignment with Fair Access Objectives (40%)

What barriers to participation for women and girls has your organisation identified and how will this initiative remove or reduce those barriers? *

Up to 500 words

How will this initiative directly encourage and support the participation of women and girls in sport and active recreation? *

Up to 300 words

How does this initiative align with your organisation's commitment to gender equity and the objectives of the Fair Access Grant Program? *

Up to 300 words

Participation and Community Outcomes (35%)

How many people are expected to participate in or benefit from the initiative?

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Girls (Under 18) *

Women (18+) *

Total Participants (Including Women and Girls) *

Child Safety

Council requires grant recipients to ensure their compliance with all relevant child safety legislation, and with their responsibilities and requirements as a 'contractor' as outlined in [Council's Child Safety Policy](#) apply to community funded programs, activities or services, the Provider must:

- 1.implement and comply with the Standards at all times; and
- 2.supply Council with a copy of their child safety policy at any time upon reasonable request.

Information on the Child Safe Standards is available at <https://ccyp.vic.gov.au/child-safe-standards/>

Child Safe information for City of Melbourne funded projects can be viewed [here](#)

Under the *Worker Screening Act 2020* (Vic), people engaging in child-related work must obtain a Working with Children (WWC) Check. Grant recipients must:

- 1.ensure that all their relevant employees, contractors and volunteers who are providing the services or facilities in any Council-funded program hold a valid and current WWC Check (or for interstate visitors, an equivalent Check from their home State/Territory) as per the requirements outlined in Council's Child Safety Policy;
- 2.maintain an up-to-date register of WWC Checks;
- 3.provide evidence of a valid and current WWC Check for each of their employees, contractors and volunteers providing the services or facilities to Council at any time upon reasonable request; and
- 4.notify Council immediately if any of their employees, contractors or volunteers who are providing the services or facilities to Council have their WWC Check suspended or revoked, or are issued with a WWC Check Exclusion.

Will your initiative engage children or young people aged 0-18 years? *

- Yes
 No

Attach a copy of your organisations Child Safe Action Plan *

Attach a file:

Please describe the anticipated outcomes and impact of the initiative. *

Word count:
Up to 300 words

How will the initiative contribute to stronger, healthier and more connected communities within the City of Melbourne? *

Up to 300 words

Budget and Financial Information (25%)

Describe how the requested grant funding will be spent. *

Up to 300 words

Budget

Expenditure

\$ (Ex Gst)

Expenditure	\$ (Ex Gst)
	Must be a dollar amount.

Budget Totals

Total Expenditure Amount (Ex Gst) *

This number/amount is calculated.

Other Funding

Have you applied for, received or intend to seek any other grants, sponsorships or funding sources for this initiative? *

- Yes
- No

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If yes, please provide details. Funding source, Amount requested/received and Status *

Please confirm that this initiative is not already funded through another City of Melbourne grant, sponsorship, funding agreement, lease arrangement or Council activity. *

Co-contribution

Applicants must contribute either financially or through in-kind support to a value equal to or greater than the grant amount requested.

Provide details of your organisation's contribution.

Cash Contribution

Volunteer Time

Staff Time

Equipment Use

Other

Comments

Attachments

Certificate of Currency - Public Liability Insurance (\$20 million minimum) *

Attach a file:

Quote(s) for expenditure items over \$1,000

Attach a file:

Declaration

Privacy Statement

The City of Melbourne is committed to protecting your privacy. The information requested on this form is being collected by City of Melbourne for the purpose of assisting with the management of applications for grants and sponsorship. All information collected is securely stored in Smartygrants and City of Melbourne computer systems. The personal information will be disclosed to assessment panel members for the purpose of assessing your application. It will not be disclosed to any other external party without your consent, unless required or authorised by law. If the personal information is not collected, Council may have difficulties in contacting you in a timely manner in relation to your application. If you wish to alter any of the personal information you have supplied to City of Melbourne, please contact Council via telephone 9658 9658 or email contact@melbourne.vic.gov.au

You can [view the City of Melbourne Information Privacy Policy](#) on our website.

By submitting an application you consent to council publishing the successful applicant's name, project name and description and amount funded on our website. This information may also be used for promoting the City of Melbourne's grant program more generally.

Declaration

I hereby apply for funding for a Fair Access Grant and acknowledge that if successful in this application we agree to comply with the guidelines set out by the City of Melbourne and to submit necessary acquittal documentation when the project has been completed.

I also acknowledge that all details supplied in this application form and in the attached documents are true and correct and that the application has been submitted with the full knowledge and support of the Committee of Management of the applicant organisation and / or auspice organisation.

I agree to the above terms and conditions *

Yes

Name *

First Name

Last Name

Position *

Date *

Must be a date.