



6/003 Community Grants Program

Objective

This policy aims to ensure Council allocates financial support to the community in the most effective manner. This allows Council to be transparent about the types and levels of funding provided to the community.

The objectives of this policy are to ensure:

- An equitable, transparent and consistent process to distribute funding;
- All applications received which fall within the policy and its associated guidelines are equally considered for support;
- The Town supports the community to deliver essential events, programs, projects and services that meet the objectives of the current Strategic Community Plan and identified community needs; and
- Acknowledge the contribution of community groups and volunteers in the community and the Council’s vision for the future.

Content

Community Funding Program

This program is divided into four streams to encourage activities, projects and programs which support the whole community.

	Grant name	Purpose	Maximum value	Funding rounds
Annual	Community Development Grant	Supports not-for-profit organisations to design, implement and complete projects that respond to local issues in Port Hedland.	\$10,000	Annual
	Community Collaboration Grant	Supports groups working together on community-focused projects.	\$10,000	Annual
Arts and Culture	Community Arts and Culture Grant	Encourage participation in the arts and activation of public spaces with cultural and creative initiatives.	\$3,000	Quarterly
	Artist Development Grant	Support artists in their professional and creative development (fine arts, music and performance).	\$2,000	Ongoing



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Sport and Recreation	Community Sport Grant	Support projects, programs and activities that contribute to the health and wellbeing of the community.	\$3,000	Ongoing
	Athlete Development Grant	Provide assistance to athletes, coaches and officials in achieving their potential and excelling in their chosen sport.	\$2,000	Ongoing
Community Activation	Special Events Grant	Support organisations in delivering events to benefit the whole community	\$2,000	Quarterly
	Seed Funding	Supports new or struggling not-for-profit organisations in Port Hedland to establish or re-establish themselves.	\$1,000	Biannual
	Business and Tourism Innovation Grant	Supports projects, events or activities that advance and encourage increased visitation, participation and contribute to the presentation or marketing of Port Hedland as a place to stay.	\$2,000	Biannual
	Public Space Activation	Supports individuals, groups and businesses to develop projects in their local community to activate public spaces through strengthening connections between people and places they share.	\$1,000	Ongoing
	Youth Leadership and Development Grant	Supports young people to increase their leadership, participation and skill development.	\$2,000	Ongoing
	Friendly Neighbourhood Program	Supports individuals and groups to host initiatives that help connect the local community.	\$250	Ongoing

Definitions

“Not-for-profit” An organisation which uses monetary surplus solely for the purposes of its objectives and not to financially benefit its members in any way.

“Grant funding” Provision of a set amount of funds for a period to achieve a specific identified outcome, agreed to in a formal contract with Council.

“Support” Cash and in-kind contributions

“In-kind contributions” The provision of equipment and services available through the Town of Port Hedland. Funding will be calculated in accordance with the Town’s adopted schedule of fees and charges.

Relevant legislation	Local Government Act 1995 Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996
Delegated authority	Yes
Business unit	Community Development
Directorate	Community Services

<i>Governance to complete this section</i>			
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