



Council Awards Community Grants

South Gippsland Shire Council presented \$137,950 in community grants at its presentation yesterday for Round Two of the 2015/16 Community Grants Program.

All applications were assessed under the categories of Minor Projects and Equipment; Celebrations, Festivals and Events; Major Projects and Planning and Development Studies.

The Community Grants Program provides grants for a range of initiatives that support the achievement of the Council Plan and enhance the quality of life, heritage, recreation and cultural opportunities of the community.

South Gippsland Mayor, Councillor Bob Newton said the Community Grants Program delivers opportunities for volunteer groups to further extend their services to the wider community that may not have been possible without additional funding.

“Volunteer groups provide a great service for our community and the Community Grants Program helps support these well deserving groups that expect very little for the great work they do.

“We have seen a number of successful projects go ahead from the grants presented in Round One the year, so we look forward to the projects implemented from this round of funding,” said the Mayor.

The 2016/17 Community Grants Program is now open. Round One closes 31 August 2016 and Round Two closes 31 March 2017.

Community groups are also eligible to apply for quick response grants and small emergency grants throughout the year.

Community groups wishing to make an application for a Council grant can apply through Council's website.

A full list of successful applicants including the funding received and the intention for the funding is attached to this media release.

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List of Successful Round Two Applicants:

- \$10,000 to the Fish Creek Memorial Hall for the Let's Start With Supper project
- \$1,000 to the Fish Creek Community Development Group for operational equipment
- \$1,200 to the South Gippsland Concert Band for the purchase of a saxophone
- \$2,225 to the Leongatha and District Netball Association Inc. for the LDNA Feasibility Study
- \$700 to the South Gippsland Bass Swimming Club for a Gippsland Swimming Event
- \$3,020 to the Leongatha Horticultural Society for the Leongatha Daffodil & Floral Festival
- \$3,350 to the Mirboo North Playgroup & Toy Library Inc. for the Make our Space Safe project.
- \$2,500 to the Dumbalk & District Progress Association Inc. for the Community Rooms Kit-out
- \$5,000 to the Stony Creek Football Netball Club for the Netball Coaches Boxes
- \$1,550 to the Prom Coast Singers for Sing South Gippsland 2
- \$1,500 to the Prom Coast Arts Council Inc. for the More: Things of Wood and Stone project
- \$1,000 to the University of the 3rd Age Prom Coast Inc. for the purchase of two Epson Multi-function printer/copiers
- \$5,000 to the South Gippsland FM Radio Inc. for the replacement and repair of aerial and transmission tower
- \$10,000 to the Toora Community Hall & Library Inc. for the Toora Hall Upgrade
- \$3,240 to the Port Franklin Public Hall Inc. for heating and cooling
- \$950 to the Welshpool Memorial Hall for the replacement of a failed hot water service
- \$1,500 to the Outa Metro Indigenous Footy for the Indigenous Round (AFL Gippsland) Gippsland League
- \$4,550 to the Tarwin Football Netball Club for the replacement of two spotlights
- \$2,185 to the South Gippsland Beekeepers for the purchase of a trailer
- \$3,000 to the Poowong Recreation reserve Committee Inc. for the partial oval surface upgrade
- \$10,000 to the Poowong Pre-school Parent Enrichment Group for the all-weather access deck and ramp
- \$2,000 to the Poowong-Loch Cricket Club Inc. to repair the wicket surface
- \$2,300 to the Loch Recreation Reserve Committee for the replacement of the gas hot water system
- \$8,000 to the Loch Public Hall for upgrading the hall toilets
- \$4,600 to the Meeniyah Pre-school Inc. for the Meeniyah Pre-school Goes Solar project.
- \$10,000 to the RSL Meeniyah & District Men's Shed for the Meeniyah Men's Shed Marching On project
- \$3,000 to the Poowong Football Netball Club for the Social Room Refurbishment
- \$2,180 to the Korumburra Community Development & Action Inc. for the Welcome to Korumburra Town App
- \$5,000 to the Korumburra Cricket Club for the Korumburra Cricket Club Deck
- \$2,400 to the Loch & District Bowling Club Inc. for the Loch & District Bowling Club Strategic Plan
- \$10,000 to the Outtrim Moyarra Kongwak Cricket Club for the new Outtrim Sports Oval
- \$5,000 to the Lions Club of Strzelecki for the Poowong Family Festival
- \$10,000 to the Leongatha Chamber of Commerce & Industry for the Lennie Gwyther Statue