

## Free Training for Community Organisations

South Gippsland Shire Council is encouraging all community members, volunteers and staff from community organisations and groups in South Gippsland to attend one or more of the Adaptable Communities Training workshops. They are designed to help community organisations recover from the challenges of 2020.

A series of four Adaptable Communities workshops will run across 2021 providing organisations with the tools and insights to help them explore what's next in 2021, re-engage with supporters or members, plan projects and source funding needed to make those projects happen.

The topics for these first two workshops are:

- Next Steps Adapting to New Challenges and Opportunities
- Grant Writing Are You Grant Ready?

These workshops will be held on April 22 and May 18, 5.30 – 8.30pm respectively.

Volunteer-based community organisations are also invited to contribute their ideas for the next two workshops later in the year by completing the Community Training Survey that can be found here: <u>form.jotform.com/210467015298860</u>

Further information and registration can be found on Council' website: www.southgippsland.vic.gov.au/effective-communities-training

## Quotes attributable to South Gippsland Shire Council's Coordinator Community Strengthening Sophie Dixon:

South Gippsland Shire Council's Coordinator Community Strengthening, Sophie Dixon believes these workshops will help a number of community organisations and groups as they move into 2021.

"The Adaptable Communities Training is a great opportunity for community organisations and groups to reflect on 2020 and set new objectives for 2021. We encourage all of these organisations and groups to have representatives attend these workshops so they can get the maximum benefit."

## **Quotes attributable to South Gippsland Shire Chair Administrator Julie Eisenbise:**

South Gippsland Shire Chair Administrator Julie Eisenbise is excited to see how many organisations and groups get involved in the training.

"At Council, it is a pleasure to provide training such as this for our community. It is hoped that this training will help support community groups and organisations in their adaption to a post-COVID environment. It is not easy for many of us to do, but with the right support, we truly believe it can make a difference."

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