

Community Grants Now Open

Round One of South Gippsland Shire Council's Community Grants program is now open for applications.

The program offers grants of up to \$10,000 aimed at assisting local not-for-profit groups achieve their goals. Grants could be for equipment purchases, project development or festival and events – anything to help enhance the work done by community groups that benefits the broader South Gippsland community.

Grants are available in the following categories:

Minor Projects and Equipment Grant (up to \$5,000), Major Projects and Equipment Grant (up to \$10,000), Festival and Events Grant (up to \$10,000) and Planning and Development Reports (up to \$10,000).

Council previously awarded a total of \$218,287 worth of funding to 39 community organisations in the 2024/2025 Community Grants Program.

Applicants are encouraged to read the Community Grant Guidelines 2025/26 and to contact the team before applying. To read these guidelines and make your grant application, please visit www.southgippsland.vic.gov.au/grants Grant applications close midnight 31 August 2025.

If you have any questions or need help applying, please contact the Grants team on 5662 9200 or grants@southgippsland.vic.gov.au

Quote attributable to John Schelling, Mayor of South Gippsland Shire Council

"Our community groups are the beating heart of South Gippsland, often providing services and programs that support the wider community. I am delighted that Council can play a part providing financial support to these groups via the Community Grants program and I highly recommend all eligible groups apply."

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