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Revamped Community Grants program now open

Melton City Council's new and improved community grants program is now open.

Now available all year round, the program supports local applications that celebrate diversity, develop civic leadership and pride, encouraging community participation and social connection.

Not-for-profit organisations based in the City of Melton can apply for grants up to \$5000 across five categories including environment and nature, festivals and events, sports and hobbies, healthy and safe living, and the arts.

Applications can be submitted at any time and are reviewed immediately.

Council has also established three new community funds to support residents and groups across the City of Melton.

- New Groups Fund (up to \$1,500) for establishing new clubs, groups or associations
- Resident Achievement Fund (up to \$2,000) supporting residents who have been chosen by a governing body to participate in an activity.
- FairGo4Youth Fund (up to \$600) providing opportunities for disadvantaged young people to participate in local extracurricular activities.

Information sessions and workshops will be held across the City of Melton during March, April and June.

For more information, visit melton.vic.gov.au/communitygrants

Quotes attributable to City of Melton Mayor Cr Kathy Majdlik

"We value the hard work of our dedicated local clubs, organisations and community groups."

"Their work in bringing us together and supporting our wellbeing is a big part of what makes the City of Melton a wonderful place to live, work and play."



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"If you're part of a group, club or organisation that helps deliver great outcomes for residents, I'd encourage you to apply for a grant."

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