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The Wudinna District Council receives requests for assistance from community groups and organisations throughout the year to assist with the cost of delivering activities, programs, and events.

These requests are considered through the Community Grants Program on an annual basis, subject to funding being available.

The Wudinna District Council Community Grants Fund is a **small** Operational Budget allocation for Council to support local projects and initiatives of a community transparently and equitably, cultural, environmental, recreational, or sporting nature which demonstrates broad-based benefit to all residents of the district and is in line with Council's Strategic Plan.

Grant funding of up to a maximum of \$2,000 is available for financial and/or in-kind assistance per application, per organisation, per year.

In addition to the Community Grants Program, Council provides the following assistance through its annual operational budget to community organisations as part of its ongoing support to the community:

- Wudinna Swimming Pool – annual operational grant
- Minnipa Swimming Pool – annual operational grant
- Warramboos Sports club – water subsidy
- Kyancutta Sports Club – water subsidy
- Wudinna Senior Citizens building – insurance and water costs
- Wudinna Area School Community Library – annual contribution
- Karcultaby Area School Community Library – annual contribution
- Second-Hand Rose – use of Council owned building facility

Council also provides support to several organisations through cropping leases and no fee lease arrangements where organisations may elect to undertake fund development activity to cover the costs of their activities and to develop their facilities.

All other form of financial assistance from Council must be sought through the Community Grants Program.

Grants will include

- Support for school-based programs and activities
- Support for community organisations to run community events and programs
- Support for the development of infrastructure on Council or community owned/controlled land.

Grants are not ongoing. Community groups must apply each year for consideration of allocation as part of the annual budget cycle in line with available resources.

Who is eligible?

- Not-for-profit entities including schools, kindergartens, playgroups
- Incorporated groups
- Clubs or groups that operate and conduct business in the area defined as Wudinna District Council.

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Who is ineligible?

- Individuals
- Commercial entities
- Other Councils
- Political parties
- Government departments undertaking activities or programs considered to be the responsibility of State or Federal Government
- Organisations that obtain income from poker machines or similar or facilitate or encourage gambling.

Other

- One application per activity
- All applications to be submitted on a Grants Application Form
- All grants to be acquitted on the Wudinna District Council Community Grants Acquittal Form.
- Projects will be listed for inclusion in Councils Annual Report and the Wudinna District Council Australia Day Address as well as in other presentations and submissions prepared by council for awards, funding applications and stakeholders.

Opening period

The Council Community Grant Program is open until such time as all funds have been expended.

Applications close at 5:00pm on the first Wednesday of each month.

Applications can be submitted via email to admin@wudinna.sa.gov.au, in person at the Council Office at 11 Burton Terrace, Wudinna or via post at PO Box 6, Wudinna.

Applications will then be considered by Council.

All applications need to be considered by a meeting of Council.

Support for assistance outside this process will only be considered in exceptional circumstances where there is an unforeseen opportunity that will benefit the community.

All applications will be acknowledged.

Applications will be rated on how they address the selection criteria which is:

1. Eligibility
2. Project alignment to Wudinna District Council Strategic Plan
3. Risk Assessment
4. Availability of budget or other requested resources.

Forms

- **Wudinna District Council Community Grants Policy**
- **Wudinna District Council Community Grants Guidelines**
- **Wudinna District Council Application Form**
- **Wudinna District Council Community Acquittal Form**