**Community Grants**

**FUNDING APPLICATION**

**2024/2025 Financial Year**

# Application Summary

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|  Organisation Name: |
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|  Project or Event Name: |
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|  Funding Requested: |
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| □ |  1 Year Community Grant  | □ |  3 Year Service Agreement |

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About Our Grants

The Shire of Bridgetown-Greenbushes Council annually determines the funding allocation for the provision of community grants, service agreements, and other donations/contributions.

Community members or groups can apply for a Community Grant (projects occurring within the financial year – 12 months) or a Service Agreements (projects occurring annually over a three-year period). Applications can be submitted to fund event-based activities, service delivery, construction, equipment purchases, salaries and contract services, operational expenses, marketing expenses, consumables, and/or administration expenses.

It is recommended that applications be able to demonstrate:

* Benefits to the community (whole of community, targeted sectors of community etc.).
* Cash contributions from the applicant, this can include successful grants from other funding bodies and/or community group cash contributions.
* Links to Council’s strategic objectives.

A Working Group of Councillors will assess eligible applications based on their merit and determined benefits to the whole of community. If an application is found to not have direct links to Council’s strategic objectives and actions, but the application has a clear rationale as to why the project should be funded, a separate stream of funding can be utilised, the Non-Contestable Funding.

Funding Rounds for Community Grants opens annually on 1st Monday in December and must be received by 4:30pm on the 1st Friday of the following March.

Applications should be addressed to the Manager Community Services and sent via:

Email: btnshire@bridgetown.wa.gov.au

Post: Shire of Bridgetown-Greenbushes
PO Box 271
BRIDGETOWN WA 6255

In Person: 1 Steere Street
 BRIDGETOWN WA 6255

Important Dates

1st Monday in December – Funding Round opens.

1st Friday in March – Funding Applications Close

30 June – Acquittal due

PART ONE: Grant Type

Please indicate which grant type you are applying for.

[ ]  **Community Grant 1 Year** (For projects occurring within the financial year (12 months))

[ ]  **Service Agreement 3 Year** (For operational costs occurring annually over a three-year period.)

PART TWO: Organisation Details

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| **Organisation Name** |
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| **If the Organisation changed its name since the last application, please provide the previous Organisation name** |
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| **Status of Organisation** |
|  | Incorporated Association (include a copy of Certificate of Incorporation) |
|  | Cooperative |
|  | Sporting Club |
|  | Other, provide details:  |
| **Does the Organisation have an ABN?** | □ Yes | ABN:  |
| □ No |  |
| **Is the Organisation Registered for GST?** | □ Yes | □ No |
| **When was the organisation established?** |  |
| **How many members in the Organisation?** |  |
| **How many paid staff in the Organisation?** |  |
| **How many volunteers in the Organisation?** |  |
| **Has this organisation previously received a Community Grant or Service Agreement from the Shire of Bridgetown-Greenbushes?**If yes, please provide the following details for the most recent Community Grant or Service Agreement received. | □ Yes | □ No |
| **Project Name** |  |
| **Grant Amount** |  |
| **Year Grant Funded** |  | **Year Grant Acquitted** |  |

PART THREE: Applicant Details

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| **Organisation Name** |  |
| **Chairperson/President** |  |
| **Organisation Postal Address** |  |
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| **Main Contact Person** |  |
| **Position** |  |
| **Phone Number** |  | **Mobile Number** |  |
| **Email Address** |  |

PART FOUR: Project Details

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| **Project or Event Name** |  |
| **Project Description** |  |
| **Project Date(s)**Include the event date or expected start & end date of project. |  |
| **Project Location** |  |
| **Amount of Funding Requested** | $ |
| **Amount Contributed by the Organisation/Applicant** | $ |
| **Amount Funded by Other Funding Partners** | $ |

PART FIVE: Project Benefits

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| **How does your project provide benefit to the wider community?**Clearly explain how others members/sectors of the community will benefit from your project. |
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| **Why is this project important?** |
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| **Are you working with any other community groups to achieve your project?**If yes, please list each group involved in the project and how they are supporting the project. |
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| **How does your project meet the strategic objectives of the Shire?**If yes, please state below which strategic objectives your project meets and how it will help achieve that strategic outcome. | □ Yes |
| □ No |
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PART SIX: Project Budget

A detailed project budget is required for applications to be considered. Please complete all sections.

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| **Have you applied for other grant funding for this project?**If yes, what funding body did you apply to & how much was requested? Clearly show this in the project budget. |  |
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| **ESTIMATED EXPENDITURE** |
| **Project Description****(Detailed breakdown of project to be supplied)** | **$ Cost ex GST** | **$ Cost inc GST** | **Quote Used****(List company name and quote #. Please attach quote)** |
| E.g. Plumbing works | $2000.00 | $2200.00 | ABC Plumbing & Sons |
|  | $ | $ |  |
|  | $ | $ |  |
|  | $ | $ |  |
|  | $ | $ |  |
|  | $ | $ |  |
| Donated materials (Please provide cost breakdown) | $ | $ |  |
| Volunteer labour (Please provide cost breakdown) | $ | $ |  |
| **Sub total** | **$** | **$** |  |
| **a) Total project expenditure** | **$** | **$** |  |

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| **PROJECT FUNDING** |
| Source of funding | $Amount ex GST | $Amount inc GST |  | Funding confirmedY / N | Comments to support claim (Please attach relevant support) |
| Local Government | $ | $ |  |  |  |
| Applicant Cash | $ | $ |  |  |  |
| Volunteer labour | $ | $ |  |  |  |
| Donated materials | $ | $ |  |  |  |
| Other funding – to be listed | $ | $ | E.g. loans, sponsorship etc |  |  |
| Other funding – to be listed | $ | $ |  |  |  |
| Other funding – to be listed | $ | $ |  |  |  |
| b) Total project funding | $ | $ | *This should equal project expenditure as listed above.* |

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| **TOTAL COST OF PROJECT** | $ |
| **AMOUNT OF COUNCIL FUNDING** | $ |
| **PROJECT FUNDING** | $ |

PART SEVEN: Insurance

If you are an incorporated community group that uses Council facilities, you will need to provide a Public Liability Insurance Certificate of Currency. If you are an Incorporated Body or affiliated to a sporting body, you will require Public Liability Insurance to use Council facilities.

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| □ Yes & Copy Enclosed | Insurance Amount:  |
| □ No |

Funding Guidelines and Requirements

To be eligible, funding applications must satisfy the eligibility criteria set out in the Funding Guidelines, which includes but is not limited to:

* Applicants must live, or their organisation must be based within (and benefit) the community of the Shire of Bridgetown-Greenbushes.
* Applicants must offer a project or activity within the Shire’s local government boundary.
* Applicants must have successfully completed and acquitted any project, activity or event for which the applicant had previously received Shire funding.
* Funding will not be awarded to private businesses or individuals.
* Projects, events and activities must be held in the financial year in which the funding is provided.
* Projects, activities or events will not be funded if they have already commenced before funding has been awarded.

Grant Conditions

* A representative from the organisation applying for funding must meet with a representative from the Shire of Bridgetown-Greenbushes (Community Services Team) prior to applying.
* Applicants must answer, and provide full details on all questions (including by providing a detailed budget).
* Applications must reach the Shire no later than 4:30pm on the first Friday in March annually.
* A detailed acquittal of the 1-year grant funded activity must be provided to the Shire by the end of the financial year in which the funding was provided.
* An annual report must be provided to the Shire by the end of each financial year for the duration of a 3-year grant.
* A detailed acquittal of the 3-year grant funded activity must be provided to the Shire by the end of the 3-year period for which the funding was provided.
* Annual allocations and contributions above $1,000 require an annual report to Council on Council funded activities.
* Grants will not be provided retrospectively (i.e. for a project that is completed or already underway).
* Council may use the information provided by a successful applicant for its own promotional purposes.
* All successful applicants will be required to enter into an agreement with the Shire of Bridgetown-Greenbushes, which will detail specific conditions and terms relevant to that project.
* All successful applicants must acknowledge the support of the Shire of Bridgetown-Greenbushes in all their promotional material.
* Allocation of grant funding (partial or entire) will be at the sole discretion of Council.

Application Checklist

Prior to submitting your application, please complete the checklist below to confirm that all requested information has been included. Incomplete applications will not be considered.

* The application form has been signed by the Chairperson or President of the organisation.
* The application clearly specifies what the funding is to be used for and answers have been provided for every question, please attach any additional information you feel will give more weight to your application.
* Any previous funding from the Shire (Community Grant or Service Agreement) have been acquitted.
* A copy of an Audited Financial Statement (or alternative documentation) providing an overview of the financial status of the applicant is enclosed.
* If your application is for capital works, copies of plans and costings have been attached (with a letter of permission if the applicant is not the owner of the premise).
* A representative from the organisation has met with a member of the Shire’s Community Services Department to discuss your project.
* If your application is for an event, a copy of the event budget including all projected income and expenditure has been included.

Application Acknowledgement

Only the Chairperson or President of your group should sign this application.

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| I, the undersigned, certify that to the best of my knowledge the statements made within this application are true.I understand that if the Shire of Bridgetown-Greenbushes Council approves this application for funding, I will be required to accept the Funding Conditions as outlined above. |
| **Name** |  |
| **Position** |  |
| **Signature** |  | **Date** |  |