

MEDIA RELEASE

COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN GRANT PROGRAM 2021-2022

The **Community Strategic Plan Grant Program** is now open for applications for projects and initiatives that deliver a range of social, cultural and economic benefits to the community of Norfolk Island.

The Community Strategic Plan 2016-2026 has six key strategic directions. Applications for funding under this grant program are required to meet one of the six directions.

- 1. An Environmentally Sustainable community
- 2. A Proud, Diverse and Inclusive community
- 3. Caring community
- 4. A Successful and Innovative community
- 5. An Informed and Accountable community
- 6. A Healthy and Safe community.

Funded projects should also align with the objectives outlined in the Community Strategic Plan, to:

- use and manage our resources wisely
- preserve a healthy environment
- maintain cultural expression
- protect our built heritage
- work together and build successful partnerships
- ensure that Norfolk Island is a great and safe place to live and visit
- build a strong, diverse and vibrant business environment and a skilled workforce
- ensure an informed community and transparency in decision making
- promote active and healthy residents and
- deliver a focused and coordinated approach to health care.

Funding for this grant is established through Council's annual budget process. This year there is a total of \$62,000 available under the program. Funding for each project application is up to \$5,000.

To be eligible for consideration, submissions must meet the eligibility criteria for Applicants and Projects, as outlined by the Community Strategic Plan Grant Program Guidelines 2021-2022 which can be found on our website here <u>http://www.norfolkisland.gov.nf/council/grants-program</u>

All applications are required to be submitted online via Council's grants program software by the closing date of 23:59on Thursday 26 May 2022. You can access this software using the above link.

Applications will not be accepted in hardcopy format or, by any other means.

For further information, you can contact Customer Care on local free call 0100 or 22244, or by emailing <u>customercare@nirc.gov.nf</u>

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