

Make it Happen - Hobsons Bay Recovery and Reconnection Grants

Grant Focus: Social Inclusion and Participation

Council Staff contact - applicants requesting over \$10,000 are required to contact a Council Officer to discuss your proposal. All other applicants are also encouraged to discuss proposals.	
1. Officer: Community Development team	2. Position: Community Development team
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Grant Focus	
Council prioritises economic and social justice and equity for all, striving to enhance the health and quality of life of the community through the equitable provision of quality services and opportunities for greater wellbeing. Initiatives that remove barriers to and foster full participation in community services and activities through various groups, both formal and informal (e.g. education and training, sport, recreation, the arts, meet ups, cultural, and intercultural, charity, volunteer and service groups). Making services accessible and visible for all (e.g. through multilingual signage, better infrastructure). Creating a safe community environment.	
Priorities/Criteria	
LGBTIQA+ Interfaith Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Mental health	Intergenerational Multicultural Gender inclusion / women / girls
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Increase participation - Remove barriers to participation - Increase the diversity - Reach out to new populations <p>Encouraged - Programs where the proposal is responding to an identified need, where knowledge, evidence and input has contributed to the reasons this initiative is required.</p>	
Example applications/proposals	
Translations – and demonstrating how the programs would work to include people with little or no English (e.g. translators attending programs, specific programs or workshops).	Sports participation – club equipment for juniors so they can try a sport without having to buy all of the equipment
Encouraging diverse volunteer participation – younger, people with disabilities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Training, projects, partnerships with local agencies 	Identifying and removing barriers to participation – e.g. social, cultural, economic, travel, equipment
Increase women, girls, gender non-binary and gender inclusive participation	Actions that involve active partnerships and conversations across groups that may otherwise not work together
Local event by / with and for the LGBTIQA+ community	
Items/proposals that are ineligible	
Capital works	Normal business operations
NB - the process of engaging people and experts to broaden participation and remove barriers is a valid and welcome grant application. However, physical capital works improvements such as ramps cannot be applied for and would need alternative sources of funding.	