

Grant Focus: Sport and Recreation

Council Staff contact - applicants requesting over \$5,000 are required to contact a Council Officer to discuss your proposal. All other applicants are also encouraged to discuss proposals.	
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Grant Focus	
Sport and recreation grants will assist clubs in providing a safe, inclusive and welcoming environment for all. Including, but not limited to, increasing member engagement, retention of current members, re-engaging lapsed members and increasing participation for diverse members of the community.	
It will also focus on implementing strategic directions for the club to ensure they are sustainable and that volunteers have the necessary resources and tools to effectively operate the club.	
Priorities/Criteria	
Applications must identify a need for the project in the community	
Building Strong Communities - Work in partnership with and empower the community and other stakeholders to use sport and recreation to help build stronger and more resilient communities.	
Access and Equity- Provide an accessible, equitable and inclusive approach to the provision of sport and recreation facilities and activities.	
Sustainable Development - Focus on sustainable practices in the planning, development and delivery of sport and club programs.	
Example applications/proposals	
Accessible equipment designed for people that require additional support to participate	Youth engagement and volunteering projects
Occupational health and safety equipment	Projects that provide training and education for committee members, coaches, or community leaders outside of the club development calendar
Leadership support projects	Governance and leadership support projects
Projects to support female participation in sport programs	Bridging isolation and building connections projects
Projects to engage diverse members of the community. Increasing the diversity at your club and reflecting the Hobsons Bay Community	Projects that focus on and support the mental health of members, players and volunteers
Projects with a technology focus, which increase participant capacity in club activities or safety	
Items/proposals that are ineligible	
Infrastructure projects	Projects that fall outside of government restrictions
Operational/ongoing costs of a club	Projects not aligned with Council's values
Requests for capital items, this includes storage solutions such as sheds or shipping containers.	Regular club activities e.g. presentation nights
Costs relating to existing or previously completed activities/projects	Funding of trophies, medals, drink bottles, honour boards
Funding to upgrade kitchens and kitchen equipment	Funding for scholarships or programs to cover player fees