

Grant Focus: Young People

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.	
Officer: Adrian Larkin (generalist youth programs/ initiatives)	Position: Team Leader Youth Development
Officer: Jade Nolan (mental health and support programs/ initiatives)	Position: Team Leader Youth Support
Email: youth@hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au	Phone contact: 1300 179 944
Grant Focus	
Grants that have a focus on young people and provide new opportunities for young people to participate, engage and build their skills in leadership, employment pathways or social connections. Grants in this area must directly impact and benefit: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> those aged 12 to 25 years, or a targeted cohort of this population 	
Priorities/Criteria	
Grants may include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bringing together a new group of young people for a particular outcome, or Skill development, knowledge and/or training access for existing groups. Grants must address one of the following outcomes: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Empowered Opportunities for young people to be heard, to own and develop initiatives, and create change at a local level. Connected Opportunities for young people to use their time well, develop social connections and new skills through recreational/leisure pursuits and activities and/ or share their time and talents with others. Supported Opportunities for young people to engage and develop in education and employment, with a focus on pathways and skill development. Healthy Opportunities that are strength-focused and increase young people’s mental health, emotional and/ or physical wellbeing. <p>** Please note that Hobsons Bay City Council is a Child Safe organisation and all applications should demonstrate how the project will prioritise young people’s safety and wellbeing. More information is available on our website https://www.hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au/Council/About-Council/Child-Safe-Organisation?BestBetMatch=child%20safe d13b95b2-5146-4b00-9e3e-a80c73739a64 4f05f368-ecaa-4a93-b749-7ad6c4867c1f en-AU or can be discussed with the contact officer listed**</p>	
Example applications/proposals	
Elements of a strong application: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Young people are involved in the planning and delivery of the project (in fact, a youth-led application is strongly encouraged) The need for the project is clearly demonstrated (qualitative and quantitative) Clearly aligns to at least one of the above criteria (Empowered/ Connected/ Supported/ Healthy) Encourages youth participation – i.e. by young people, for young people Can demonstrate how success/ outcomes will be achieved Where required, will be delivered by trained/ qualified facilitators, which is clearly outlined in the application. Examples include (but are not limited to) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Youth employment and pathways forums Youth participation, leadership development or engagement activities Youth- focused arts and culture events Social and support groups Youth digital and virtual programs Programs that build the capacity of parents/ guardians or caregivers that also benefit young people 	
Items/proposals that are ineligible	
Items/ proposals that are not outcomes-focused for young people aged 12 to 25 years	Proposals which replicate an existing opportunity, unless it is to engage a new cohort or group by reducing barriers to participation