



Community Workshop – Community Grants Policy and Sponsorship Policy

Session 1 – 30 May 2023 – 5:30pm

Session 2 – 31 May 2023 – 11am

Grants

Community Grants Policy

- High Level
- Encompasses Current and Future Categories
- Reviewed every 4 years

Community Grants - Guidelines

- Identifies categories, priorities and procedures
- Reviewed annually

Infrastructure Grants

Community Support Grants

Application requirements based on **value**

- \$1,000 - \$4,000
- \$4,000 - \$20,000

Funding streams within categories can be updated annually to align with CN strategic direction

Grants – Eligible – General

- Applicants must operate within the Newcastle Local Government Area and/or be able to demonstrate that the Activity will directly benefit residents of Newcastle;
- Applications must be received on or before the advertised due date and completed with the required level of detail and supporting documentation as specified in the Guidelines;
- An Applicant's Activity must begin after the Grant funding commencement date. Funding for retrospective, recurrent or ongoing funding will not be considered;
- Applicants must have the appropriate level of insurance for the activities that are the subject of the funding request (\$20m Public Liability may be required);
- Applicants must be capable of obtaining all regulatory approvals for the Activity.
- Where an Activity will involve adults working with children, successful applicants must undertake the necessary 'Working with Children' checks.

Grants – Ineligible – General

- Activities that duplicate existing services or have a current Funding Agreement for the same Activity. This applies to all funding from CN including Grants, Sponsorships and Special Business Rate funding;
- Religious ceremonies and/or activities that exclude the general population where the promotion of a single faith is the main purpose, or religious activities that could be perceived as divisive in the community;
- Profit making Activities where profits are allocated to shareholders, owners and/or members;
- Activities that vilify or discriminate a person or persons in respect of race, religion or sexual orientation or use live animals as part of a performance;
- Applications seeking funds for prize money, gifts or awards or general fundraising appeals including those seeking funding for representative sport or cultural activities;
- Fees and charges associated with compliance or development applications payable to CN.

Grant Programs

Program	Overview	Stream	Amount Per Application	Eligible Entities
Infrastructure Grants	Offered annually and target minor capital activities that enhance the economic, social, and environmental well-being of the local community. The grants also assist building owners, commercial operators and other stakeholders to improve their building facades to enhance our city's presentation.	Recreation Facilities	\$1,000 to \$10,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Legally constituted not-for-profit organisations, sporting clubs and associations • Businesses
		Sustainability	\$1,000 to \$10,000	
Community Support Grants	Support community-based groups, sport and recreation clubs, and service organisations to develop effective activities that address the social, economic and/or environmental needs of residents in the Newcastle LGA.	Quick Response	\$1,000 to \$4,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Legally constituted not-for-profit organisations • Businesses • Individuals
		Social Inclusion	\$4,000 to \$20,000	
		Environment	\$4,000 to \$20,000	
		Arts, Culture, and History	\$4,000 to \$20,000 *\$50,000 for Professional Organisations	



Sponsorship

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Sponsorship Guidelines

Events

Tourism and Economic Development

Funding streams within categories can be updated annually to align with CN strategic direction

Sponsorship – Ineligible – General

- Activities that duplicate existing services or have a current Sponsorship Agreement for the same Activity. This applies to all support from CN including Grants, Sponsorships and Special Business Rate Funding;
- Religious ceremonies and/or activities which do not have the main purpose of directly benefiting the broader residents and/or businesses of the Newcastle
- General fundraising appeals and charitable donations, including support for individual representative sporting endeavours;
- Academic research, coursework or fees, or projects seeking financial support for research, studio work or activities that will be submitted for academic assessment;
- Ongoing operational costs, including rent or lease costs, general administrative costs or staffing or salary costs;
- Activities that vilify or discriminate a person or persons in respect of race, religion or sexual orientation or use live animals as part of a performance.

Sponsorship Programs

Program	Overview	Stream	Amount Per Application	Eligible Entities
Events	Mechanism to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - promote active and vibrant public spaces - grow overnight visitation - provide positive promotional exposure for Newcastle - enhance the city's image and profile as a visitor destination and event city - assist events that contribute to the unique character of the Newcastle LGA and region. 	General Events	Up to \$10,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A legally constituted not-for-profit organisation. • A business.
		Incubator Events	Up to \$20,000	
		Major Events	Up to \$20,000	
		Business Events	Up to \$20,000	
Economic and Tourism Development	Activities that provide economic benefit through one or more of the following areas: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Enabling Skills - Enabling Innovation - City-Shaping Initiatives - Enabling a Vibrant City 	Tourism	\$2,000 - \$20,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A legally constituted not-for-profit organisation. • A business.
		Business (Conference)	\$2,000 - \$20,000	



Key Dates

Round opens 31 May 2023

Online Community Workshop – Session 1, 30 May 2023

Online Community Workshop – Session 2 , 31 May 2023

Round closes 30 June 2023



Round Open

Documents on our website to assist you include:

- [Community Grants Policy](#)
- [Community Grants Guidelines](#)
- [Sponsorship Policy](#)
- [Sponsorship Guidelines](#)
- ['Grants and Sponsorship Programs - Which should I apply for?' flowchart](#)



We provide a number of funding opportunities to support initiatives that contribute to the social, cultural, environmental, and economic life of the city.

Some of our grants and sponsorship opportunities have been updated to make it simpler to apply, and fairer to everyone in the community. They also align with our plan for the future, [Newcastle 2030 Community Strategic Plan](#).

Funding opportunities open on 3 May and close 31 May 2021.

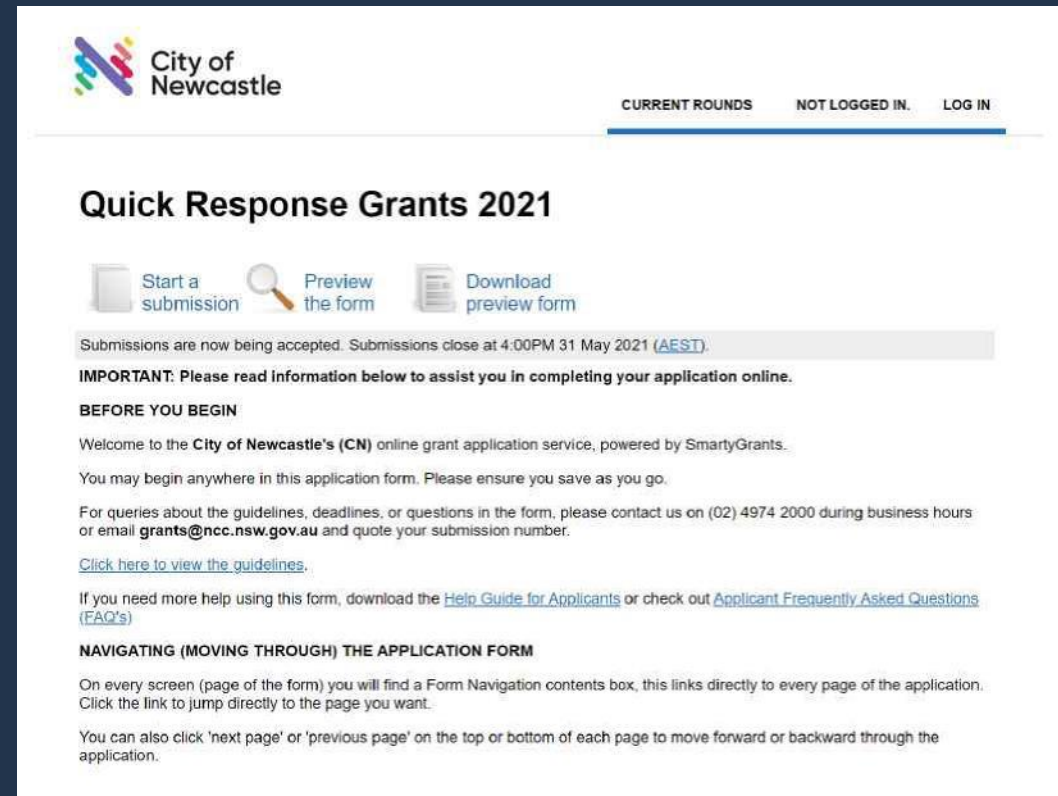
We are holding online workshops to outline the application process and address any questions that you might have.

- [Click here to register for Session 1 - Wednesday, 12 May 2021 at 10am](#)
- [Click here to register for Session 2 - Monday 17 May 2021 at 5.30pm](#)

Apply for [Grant Funding](#):

How to Apply

- Application Forms are managed through Smartygrants – application links are available on [CN's Website](#)
- Select “Apply today for [Quick Response](#) Funding by 4pm on 30 June“
- Computers available at libraries



The screenshot shows the City of Newcastle website for the Quick Response Grants 2021. The header includes the City of Newcastle logo and navigation links for 'CURRENT ROUNDS', 'NOT LOGGED IN', and 'LOG IN'. The main heading is 'Quick Response Grants 2021'. Below this are three buttons: 'Start a submission', 'Preview the form', and 'Download preview form'. A grey banner states: 'Submissions are now being accepted. Submissions close at 4:00PM 31 May 2021 (AEST)'. An important notice reads: 'IMPORTANT: Please read information below to assist you in completing your application online.' The section 'BEFORE YOU BEGIN' includes a welcome message, instructions to save work, and contact information for queries. A link is provided to view the guidelines. The section 'NAVIGATING (MOVING THROUGH) THE APPLICATION FORM' explains how to use the form navigation box and the 'next page'/'previous page' buttons.

Funding Agreements

- All successful applicants will be required to enter into a Funding Agreement before funds are released and the Activity commences.
- Successful recipients are required to submit an Acquittal for all Grant funding received.
- CN will provide Grants/Sponsorship as cash and/or value-in-kind. Any CN goods or services provided should be costed by the Recipient at the appropriate Not-For-Profit Organisation or commercial rate as per the published fees and charges and included in the recipient's Activity budget.
- A monetary figure will be allocated to all value-in-kind awarded in accordance with its real cost to CN and included in the total amount of funding allocated to any successful recipient.
- The Recipient is required to publicly acknowledge CN for all Activities funded by CN as per conditions of a Funding Agreement.

Hints and Tips

- Demonstrate community support and involvement in your project; collaborations are encouraged.
- Use clear language; avoid abbreviations and jargon.
- Prepare a detailed budget.
- Have someone who doesn't know your project review your application.
- Check out the annual priorities.
- Support your application with [data](#)
- Are there more appropriate grants – [Grants Guru](#)

Questions

Sign up for our [Grants and Sponsorship Mailing List](#) to keep informed.

For more information contact Emmalea Moulton our Grants and Sponsorship Officer at grants@ncc.nsw.gov.au or on 02 4974 2814.