



Grants for Clubs

Clubs can get assistance from various organisations to financially assist the funding of a new structure or building, a new program or initiative or just running of the club in general. A good source of funding usually comes from state governments. A summary with a link to retrieve application forms or further information on a state-by-state basis has been developed for your use.

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Australian Capital Territory (ACT)

Sport & Recreation Operational Program (SROP)

The primary objective of the SROP is to assist eligible organisations stimulate the development of sport and physical recreation activity in the ACT through the provision of funding for operational expenditure.

Who can apply: Only ACT Peak Body organisations may apply for funding under this category.

Capital Assistance Program (CAP)

The primary objective of the CAP is to assist eligible organisations stimulate the development of sport and physical recreation activity in the ACT through the provision of funding for quality facilities.

Who can apply: ACT Peak Bodies & clubs are eligible to apply for funding under this category.

Community Sport & Recreation Development Program (CSRDP)

The primary objective of the CSRDP is to assist eligible organisations stimulate the development of sport and physical recreation activity in the ACT through the provision of funding for outcome based projects, programs and initiatives.

Who can apply: ACT Peak Bodies & clubs are eligible to apply for funding under this category.

Individual Travel Assistance

Financial assistance may be available to ACT athletes, coaches and officials selected as a member of an Official Australian Team competing at a Recognised World or Equivalent Championship. Applications for Individual Travel may be submitted throughout the year to the Grants Officer. Allocations are approved subject to funds available. ACTAS (ACT Academy of Sport) athletes are ineligible for assistance under this scheme.

Sports Loan Interest Subsidy Scheme

The Sports Loan Interest Subsidy Scheme (SLISS) assists ACT sporting organisations to pay interest on loans obtained for the purpose of developing and improving sports training and competition facilities. By contributing to the development of local facilities Sport & Recreation ACT encourages greater opportunities and access for organisations and their participants. Applications may be lodged throughout the year. However, SLISS grants will be approved subject to the availability of funding

To get guidelines and conditions of the grants listed above and to access application forms, please click on the link below.

<http://www.sport.act.gov.au/development/grants/sractgrants.html>

For more information about grants in the ACT please contact:

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Links to Relevant Websites

A Guide to Community Grants:

<http://www.aph.gov.au/library/intguide/sp/spgrants.htm>

Sport and Recreation ACT:

<http://www.sport.act.gov.au/development/grants/fundgrnt.html>

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New South Wales (NSW)

Country Coaches and Officials Scheme

The Country Coaches and Officials Scheme is designed to assist coaches from country areas of NSW access opportunities to participate in educational courses that assist them gain or maintain required accreditation.

Eligibility

Coaches and officials who:

- Are 16 years of age or older
- Are permanent residents of NSW
- Reside outside the greater metropolitan areas of Sydney, Central Coast, Newcastle and Wollongong
- Are actively coaching or officiating on a regular basis in NSW
- Are registered, affiliated or have reciprocal rights with the recognised state body for the sport in NSW.

Applications

- Opening date is 30th Sept each year, One intake per year closing 31 December.

NSW Country Athletes Scheme

Assists talented young athletes from country areas within NSW in accessing training, coaching and competitions similar to those enjoyed by athletes from the city.

Eligibility

Athletes who are:

- 17 years of age or under
- At least state age standard for their sport
- A permanent resident of NSW, living more than 80 kms from the Sydney GPO
- Are registered, affiliated or have reciprocal rights with the recognised state controlling body for the sport in NSW.

Applications

- Opens 30th September and Closes 31 December each year.

Far West Travel Scheme

The Far West Travel Scheme aims to encourage participation in regular sport and recreation activity by people living in the Far West and remote areas of NSW. The scheme offers financial assistance to not-for-profit sport and recreation organisations, and individuals, to help with the costs of travel to sports competitions and events.

Eligibility

- Individuals, teams and clubs from rural and remote areas.

Applications

- Bi-annually, 2 intakes - winter and summer sports seasons. Closing dates 31 March and 30th Sept each year.

Contact

Department of Tourism, Sport and Recreation, Western Regional Office
Telephone: (02) 6362 6623

Women's Sport Leaders Scholarship Program

This program provides opportunities for women to improve their management, leadership, coaching and officiating skills in the sport and recreation industry. The program offers three types of scholarships: Sports Management and Leadership, International Travel and Coaching and Officiating.

Eligibility

- Women aged 18 years or older who are currently working (paid or volunteer) at a regional or club level in the sport, recreation and physical activity industry.
- Women from culturally diverse backgrounds, Aboriginal women, rural and regional women and women with a disability are particularly encouraged to apply.

Applications

- Closing date early March each year

Other Grants available from NSW Department of Tourism, Sport and Recreation

1. Athletes with a Disability
2. Capital assistance Program
3. International Sport Event Program
4. Regional Sports Facility Program
5. Sports Development Program

For more information on any of the grant programs listed, contact:

NSW Department of Tourism, Sport and Recreation
Telephone: (02) 9006 3700
Web: www.dsr.nsw.gov.au
Email: info@dsr.nsw.gov.au

Links to Relevant Websites

A Guide to Community Grants:

<http://www.aph.gov.au/library/intguide/sp/spgrants.htm>

NSW Sport and Recreation:

<http://www.dsr.nsw.gov.au/finance/index.asp>

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Northern Territory (NT)

Grass Roots Development Grant

The Grass Roots Development Program is designed to support new and innovative projects that promote opportunities for ongoing participation in sport and physically active recreation. The program has a particular focus on clubs and regional and remote organisations at the grass roots level and provides small grants (maximum of \$3,000) directly to such activities.

Grass Root Development Grant applications are assessed twice a year; however organisations may only have one approved application per financial year.

Applications

The next funding opportunity will be Round 1 of the 2005/2006 Grass Roots Development Grant Program. Applications close 31st August 2005.

Contact

NT Department of Community Development, Sport and Cultural Affairs
The Grants Coordinator
Tel: (08) 8973 8765
Or: 1800 045 678

Links to Relevant Websites

A Guide to Community Grants:

<http://www.aph.gov.au/library/intguide/sp/spgrants.htm>

NT Department of Community Development, Sport and Cultural Affairs:

http://www.dcdsca.nt.gov.au/dcdsca/intranet.nsf/pages/SR_Grants

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Queensland (QLD)

Club Development Program

The Club Development Program (CDP) provides financial assistance to:

- Incorporated local organisations with a primary purpose of sport or active recreation for education and training, participation initiatives and planning.

Successful applicants will receive funds for approved projects before the start of the project.

The program aims to increase participation and improve the management and administration of organisations providing sport and physically active recreation opportunities. A total of \$2 million is available under this program.

Eligibility

To be eligible organisations must:

- Be incorporated
- Operate as a not-for-profit club or organisation that is open to public membership
- Have a primary objective of sport or active recreation eg. As stated in your constitution
- Have current incorporation and have met all the annual requirements under the *Associations Incorporation Act 1981* or Corporations Law
- Have policies and practices that encourage participation regardless of gender, age, race, ability or location
- Have acquitted funds approved under previous Sport and Recreation Queensland programs

Applications

For more information and to apply contact your nearest Sport and Recreation Queensland office. Or visit Sport and Recreation Queensland: <http://www.srq.qld.gov.au/funding/funding.cfm> for application instructions and forms.

Applications for 2005 closed 18 March 2005.

Other Sport and Recreation Queensland Funding Programs

1. Indigenous Community Development Program 2005
2. Local Government Development Program 2005
3. Minor Facilities Program 2005
4. Major Facilities Program 2005
5. National Standard Facilities Program 2005
6. Rural/Regional Coach Mentor Program
7. State Development Program

In addition to funding available from Sport and Recreation Queensland, a number of community benefit funds exist within Queensland. Your club could be eligible for funding under one of the following:

- [Gambling Community Benefit Fund](#)
- [Breakwater Island Casino Benefit Fund](#)
- [Jupiters Casino Community Benefit Fund](#)
- [Reef Hotel Casino Benefit Fund](#)

To find out about other Queensland Government grants go to www.qld.gov.au/grants or phone 131304.

Links to Relevant Websites

A Guide to Community Grants:

<http://www.aph.gov.au/library/intguide/sp/spgrants.htm>

Sport and Recreation Queensland:

<http://www.srq.qld.gov.au/funding/funding.cfm>

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South Australia (SA)

Active Club Program

The Active Club Program was established in 1996 from the Sport and Recreation Fund. The program provides assistance to eligible South Australian sport and/or active recreation organisations to provide quality facilities and deliver competition, and activity experiences in the community.

The program has three types of grants, they are:

1. Local Initiative
2. Youth Encompassing Sport
3. Minor Capital Works

These grants are offered twice per financial year. The objectives of these grants is to assist, not for profit community-based sporting and active recreation organisations to develop and expand the services which they provide, thereby increasing the community's access to quality sport and active recreation activities and facilities.

Applications

Next round opens 8 October 2005 and closes 18 November 2005.

Recreation and Sport Development Volunteer Scholarships

Volunteer Scholarships

The aim of these scholarships is to assist volunteer coaches, officials and administrators to further develop skills in their chosen area by providing funds for accreditation and educational opportunities.

Application

The volunteer scholarships are open to:

- Sport and active recreation volunteer coaches, officials or administrators who receive no payment for work conducted (reimbursements for out of pocket expenses are not classed as payment) and are currently actively involved in a club or association. When applying for this scholarship it is also acceptable for a volunteer coach, official or administrator to receive an honorarium of \$1000 or less in one financial year, and still be eligible.
- Permanent residents of South Australia
- All successful applicants must be prepared to undertake the free 'Play by the Rules' online training course as a condition of the scholarship (those who have already completed the course will need to present their certificate).

Contact: Volunteer and Coach Education Centre on (08) 8416 6605 or ors.volunteereducation@saugov.sa.gov.au

As a club other good grant programs to apply for are as follows:

1. Active Club
2. Move it! Making Communities Active Again
3. Community Recreation and Sport Facilities Program.

For more information about grants listed above or other South Australian grants

Contact:

The Office for Recreation and Sport SA

Phone: (08) 8416 6677

Links to Relevant Websites

A Guide to Community Grants:

<http://www.aph.gov.au/library/intguide/sp/spgrants.htm>

Office for Recreation and Sport SA:

<http://www.recSPORT.sa.gov.au/>

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Tasmania (TAS)

Each year Sport and Recreation Tasmania distributes more than \$2 million to Tasmanian organisations through five grant programs. The aim of these grant programs is to improve opportunities for Tasmanians to participate in sport and recreation activities. Details on each of the programs available are provided below:

1. 2005-06 Facilities Grant Program

The 2005-06 program has now closed. The program will reopen in January 2006.

About the Program

The 2005-06 Facilities Grant Program aims to improve opportunities for Tasmanians to participate in sport and recreation activities by providing financial assistance to Tasmanian organisations to develop quality facilities that meet the sport and recreation needs of the community.

2. 2005-06 Community Grants Program

Opens: Saturday 21 May 2005

Closes: Friday 1 July 2005

About the Program

The 2005-06 Community Grants Program provides grants to eligible organisations to improve participation opportunities in sport and/or recreation by assisting organisations to:

- implement sport and/or recreation development programs, for example coaching, officiating and athlete development programs
- purchase sport and/or recreation equipment, for example protective and playing equipment
- conduct sport and/or recreation events within Tasmania.

3. 2006 State Grants Program

This program is currently under review and is anticipated to be open for applications in mid-2005.

4. 2006 Trainee Subsidy Program

This program is currently under review and is anticipated to be open for applications in mid-2005

Contact

All grant programs are advertised in the three major Tasmanian newspapers: The Examiner, The Advocate and The Mercury.

For more information, contact Sport and Recreation Tasmania on 1800 252 476 or sportrec@development.tas.gov.au.

Links to Relevant Websites

A Guide to Community Grants:

<http://www.aph.gov.au/library/intguide/sp/spgrants.htm>

Sport and Recreation Tasmania:

<http://www.osr.tas.gov.au/grants/>

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Victoria (VIC)

Country Action Grant

The Country Action Grant Scheme aims to increase the capacity of sport and active recreation organisations in regional and rural Victoria. Grants of between \$500 and \$5,000 are available to successful applicants under the following four categories:

Category 1: Improving Organisations

Initiatives to help organisations operate more effectively, including forward planning, governance, organisational restructure and financial management

Assistance is also available under this category to support the establishment of new sport and recreation organisations.

Category 2: Enhancing Skills

Funding for coaches and officials, administrative staff and committee of management members to attend relevant training courses. This category does not include funding to enhance the physical skills of players or members.

Category 3: Including Everyone

Initiatives to help organisations provide accessible sport and active recreation opportunities for all members of the community. Priority will be given to initiatives focussed on one or more of the following target groups: people with disabilities, women, Indigenous people, culturally and linguistically diverse people, school-aged children and older adults.

Category 4: Victalent

Financial assistance for organisations to support developing athletes, coaches, officials and teams who are required to travel extensively in order to engage in training and competition (Grants of \$500 per nomination).

Clubs may submit one application only with a maximum of one request for funding under either category one, two or three, and/or up to two requests for funding under category four.

Applications from eligible community sport and recreation organisations are expected to close at the beginning of November. Potential applicants are encouraged to contact their local Sport and Recreation Victoria Regional Office to discuss the suitability of the proposed application.

For information regarding your organisation's eligibility, the assessment criteria for the Scheme and Regional Office contact details download the Country Action Grant Scheme Funding Guidelines from the Sport and Recreation Victoria website.

Contact

Sport and Recreation Victoria
Department for Victorian
Communities
1 Spring St
GPO Box 2392V
Melbourne 3001
Tel: (03) 9208 3333
Fax: (03) 9208 3520
Email: info@sport.vic.gov.au
Website: www.sport.vic.gov.au

Emergency Equipment Replacement Fund

The Emergency Equipment Replacement Fund is a state-wide funding program to assist local sport and recreation clubs and organisations to replace essential sporting and first aid equipment lost or destroyed due to fire, theft or flood. Up to half the value of replacement equipment - to a maximum of \$2,000 - may be compensated through this program.

Application

Can be made at any time and will need to include:

- A full description of the nature and circumstances of the loss
- Status of insurance cover
- A police report (if appropriate)
- Endorsement of State Sporting Association, Affiliated Association or Regional Sport Assembly
- A list of stolen or damaged equipment and the cost of replacement from a supplier

Contact

Valerie Benson
Manager Community Networks
Sport and Recreation Victoria
Email: info@sport.vic.gov.au
Website: www.sport.vic.gov.au
Phone: (03) 9208 3428

Sport and Recreation Research and Leadership Grants:**Women in Sport Research Grants**

The Women in Sport Research Grants are available for research to assist clubs and organisations in finding practical solutions to issues concerning the participation of females in sport and active recreation. The focus is the increased participation of females in sport and active recreation and in management and leadership roles within their organisation or club.

Women's Sport and Recreation Leadership Grant

The Women's Sport and Recreation Leadership Grant Scheme is aimed at building the capacity of women as leaders and decision-makers and supports women to play meaningful and visible roles in sport at all levels. It also aims to develop the capacity of these women and organisations to implement organisational change that addresses the barriers women face as participants and decision-makers.

Application

Sport and Recreation Victoria
Department for Victorian
Communities
1 Spring St
GPO Box 2392V
Melbourne 3001
Tel: (03) 9208 3333
Fax: (03) 9208 3520
Email: info@sport.vic.gov.au
Website: www.sport.vic.gov.au

Vic Health Outdoor Sport Shade Grant Program

This grants program aims to support sports clubs to provide adequate shade for participants and spectators of outdoor sport. Funds are made available for the purchase of portable shade - tents, shade cloth and umbrellas.

Grant amounts

- Up to \$2,500 per application; total grant pool \$500,000.

Eligibility

- All Victorian sporting clubs.

Application

- For more information visit the Vic Health website, or contact Vic Health directly.

Vic Health Sports Clubs Small Grants Initiative

This initiative aims to reduce the likelihood of injury whilst promoting healthy participation in sport. Funds will be made available to purchase equipment and first-aid training.

Grant amounts

- Up to \$2,000 per application; total grant pool \$500,000.

Eligibility

- All Victorian sporting clubs.

Application

- For more information visit the Vic Health website, or contact Vic Health directly.

Women's Sport and Recreation Leadership Grant Scheme

Increasing the number of women in leadership and decision-making positions in sport and

recreation is a key objective of the Victorian Government's commitment to increasing the standing of women in sport. The Women's Sport and Recreation Leadership Grant Scheme, sponsored by Sport and Recreation Victoria, is part of the Government's broad strategy to achieve this outcome. The grants are presented to up to ten Victorian women each year and aim to enhance women's uptake of a wide range of leadership roles within the sport and recreation community.

The Scheme offers two types of grants:

Sports Management Development

These grants provide funding support for the recipient to undertake education or training and/or gain experience in the area of sports administration and management, or leadership development.

Sports Coach and Official Development

These grants provide funding support for the recipient to undertake education or training and/or gain experience in the area of sports coaching and officiating. In addition to the above Grant Scheme, the Government is funding research into women's participation and management and leadership to provide reliable and relevant information to the industry on issues facing women in sport and recreation. In particular, a management and leadership research project will be undertaken to oversee the framework and outcomes of the individual grants.

A maximum of ten grants in the Sports Management Development and Sports Coach and Official Development categories valued at up to \$3,000 each are available.

Application

For more information visit the Sport and Recreation Victoria website, or contact:

Merryn Bellamy

Research Coordinator

Sport and Recreation (Industry Planning Unit) Victoria

Email: merryn.bellamy@sport.vic.gov.au

Links to Relevant Websites

A Guide to Community Grants:

<http://www.aph.gov.au/library/intguide/sp/spgrants.htm>

Sport and Recreation Victoria:

<http://www.sport.vic.gov.au/>

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Western Australia (WA)

Healthway - Sport Sponsorship Program

Healthway welcomes sponsorship proposals that increase participation in sport and physical activity and provide opportunities to promote health, particularly but not exclusively to young people. Sponsored programs cover:

Healthy Club Sponsorships

Sponsorship is available to sporting clubs for health and safety initiatives and for the education/training of coaches and officials.

Eligibility

- Incorporated organisations wishing to conduct projects involving recognised sport or recreation initiatives where increased physical activity is the primary focus.

Assistance Available

- Sponsorships are offered on two levels: \$5,000 or less and over \$5,000.
- Applications for sponsorship over \$5,000 are generally restricted to organisations operating on a State or significant regional basis.

Conditions/Criteria

- Applicants must be prepared to provide opportunities for health promotion and be committed to health change.
- A condition of funding is the adoption of a comprehensive smoke free policy requiring all indoor venues, and where appropriate outdoor venues, under the control of the applicant to be smoke free.

Application

- Applications for sponsorships up to \$5,000 can be made at any time, but must be submitted at least four calendar months prior to the commencement of the project.

Contact

- Application forms are available from Healthway.

Sport Program Manager Healthway
Western Australian Health Promotion Foundation
PO Box 1284
WEST PERTH WA 6872
Tel: (08) 9476 7000 or Free call: 1800 198 450
Fax: (08) 9324 1145
E-mail: healthway@healthway.wa.gov.au
Website: <http://www.healthway.wa.gov.au>

Links to Relevant Websites

A Guide to Community Grants:

<http://www.aph.gov.au/library/intguide/sp/spgrants.htm>

Department of Sport and Recreation Western Australia:

<http://www.dsr.wa.gov.au/funding/funding.asp>

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