

Sustainable Environment Grant Program

Program details

The **Sustainable Environment Grants** program provides financial assistance to support schools and community groups to play an active role in reducing their impact on the environment. Council invites projects focused on environmental improvement, sustainability education, and the promotion of sustainable living as a way of life that provides benefit to the natural environment and local community. *The Sustainable Environment Grant is open to local schools and high schools.*

Projects can include:

■ Waste Minimisation – including reuse, recycling, litter reduction, composting and worm farming, waste education projects; ■ Sustainable Water Use – including water efficiency, stormwater harvesting and water reuse, rain gardens, water quality improvements, and sustainable water use education programs; ■ Environmental Improvement – including protection and enhancement of natural areas, habitat creation for native fauna, and natural environment education programs; and/or ■ Sustainable Living – including establishment of vegetable or native display gardens, bush tucker or community gardens, and the keeping of chickens or native bees.

Available funding

Applications are open all year round for funding of up to \$5,000 per project.

Program timeframe Applications can be made all year. Grants must be spent within 12 months of receiving them. Applications must be submitted at least three months prior to the commencement of a project. In exceptional circumstances, an organisation that is partnering with Council may receive retrospect funding up to one (1) month after the delivery of an event or program. Grants must be spent within 12 months of receiving them.

To understand program eligibility, exclusions and expected outcomes, please refer to the [Grants Donations & Sponsorship Policy](#).

Program eligibility and exclusions To be eligible applicants must have not received funding under this or another program for the same project (separate and additional stages of a previous project are eligible), must operate in the Liverpool LGA and:

a) Be a registered NSW school, not-for profit pre-school or childcare centre; or b) An incorporated non-profit community organisation providing programs or services to residents of Liverpool; or c) A community group auspiced by an incorporated organisation.

Eligibility

* indicates a required field

Program Guidelines

- Before completing this application form, you should read through Councils Grants Donations and Sponsorship Policy, outlining the eligibility and guidelines of the Small Grants Program: <https://www.liverpool.nsw.gov.au/community/grants-and-sponsorship>

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- Incomplete applications and/or applications received after the closing date will not be considered.
- This section of the application form is designed to help you, and us, understand if you are eligible for this grant. It is important that you complete these questions before any others to ensure you do not waste your time applying for an unsuitable grant.

If you have any questions in regard to these eligibility criteria, please contact **grants@liverpool.nsw.gov.au**, or call **02 8711 7821 to speak to a Grants Officer**.

If you do contact us throughout the application process, please quote the application number below.

Application Number

This field is read only.

Confirmation of Eligibility

Before proceeding, please confirm the following:

- You have read and understood the program guidelines outlined in the Grants Donations & Sponsorship Policy.
- You are able to demonstrate alignment between your project and the expected outcomes of the Sustainable Environment Grant program.
- Your organisation is a:- A registered NSW school, not-for profit pre-school or childcare centre; or- An incorporated non-profit community organisation providing programs or services to residents of Liverpool; or- A community group auspiced by an incorporated organisation.
- The program you are seeking funding for will provide direct outcomes for the residents of the Liverpool LGA.
- Your organisation is able to provide audited financial statements for the previous financial year.
- Your organisation does not owe any reports or money to Liverpool City Council as a result of previous funding or grants
- Your organisation has no outstanding acquittal forms pending review.
- Your organisation has the appropriate type and level of insurance for the activities that are the subject of this grant
- Your organisation is not a political party.
- You have declared any direct association with the Mayor and Councillors to the Grants officer by contacting grants@liverpool.nsw.gov.au

You must confirm that all statements above are true and correct. *

☐ Yes

Privacy Notice

We pledge to respect and uphold your rights to privacy protection under the [Australian Privacy Principles](#) (APPs) as established under the *Privacy Act 1988* and amended by the *Privacy Amendment (Enhancing Privacy Protection) Act 2012*.

In compliance with the Information Privacy Act 2009 (the Act) personal information on this form may be stored in Council's records database and may also be used for statistical research, information provision and evaluation of services. Your personal information may be provided to the financial institution which handles Council's financial transactions and

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may be disclosed to other agencies and third parties for purposes related to this application and/or monitoring compliance with the Act. Except in these circumstances, personal information will only be disclosed to third parties with your consent unless otherwise required or authorised by law.

Do you agree to the Privacy Notice?

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

Contact Details

* indicates a required field

Applicant Details

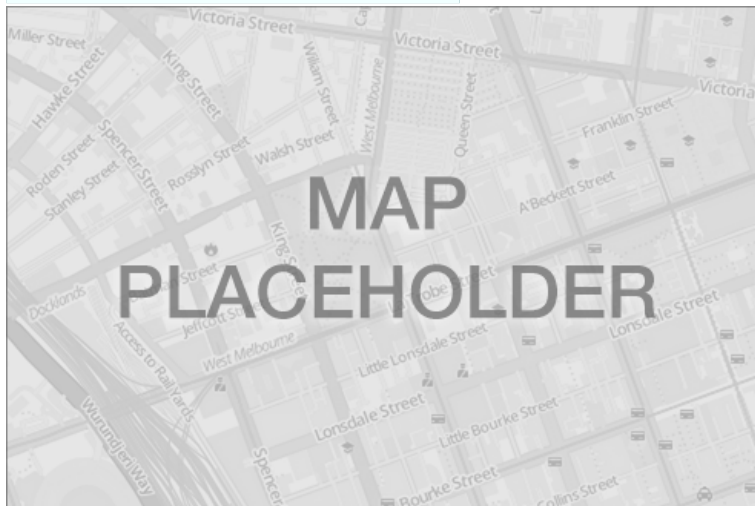
Organisation Name *

Organisation Name

Make sure you provide the same name that is listed in official documentation.

Organisation Primary Address

Address



Organisation Postal Address

Address

Organisation Phone Number *

Must be an Australian phone number.

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Organisation E-mail Address *

Must be an email address.

Organisation Website

Must be a URL.

Primary Contact Details

Primary contact (Officer managing this grant application) *

Title	First Name	Last Name

This is the person we will correspond with about this grant.

Position held in organisation *

e.g., Manager, Director or Fundraising Coordinator.

Primary contact phone number *

Must be an Australian phone number.

Primary contact email address *

This is the address we will use to correspond with you about this grant.

Organisation Details

* indicates a required field

What type of organisation are you? *

- ☐ Educational institution (include school P&C, universities & higher education providers)
- ☐ Religious or faith-based institution
- ☐ Philanthropic organisation
- ☐ Peak body
- ☐ Social enterprise
- ☐ International NGO
- ☐ Professional association
- ☐ Healthcare not-for-profit
- ☐ Community group
- ☐ Research body
- ☐ General not-for-profit (i.e. none of the sub-types listed above)

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Please choose the option that best applies to your organisation.

Does your organisation have an ABN? *

☐ Yes ☐ No

All grant applicants must hold a valid ABN

Applicant ABN *

The ABN provided will be used to look up the following information. Click Lookup above to check that you have entered the ABN correctly.

Information from the Australian Business Register	
ABN	
Entity Name	
ABN Status	
Entity Type	
Goods & Services Tax (GST)	
DGR Endorsed	
ATO Charity Type	More information
ACNC Registration	
Tax Concessions	
Main Business Location	

Provide a brief description of your organisation's purpose and relevance in the Liverpool LGA *

Word count:

Must be no more than 300 words.

You can mention how long the org has been operating in Liverpool LGA, is it a volunteer-based org, what impact has the org made in Liverpool.

Project Details

* indicates a required field

Project title *

Word count:

Must be no more than 25 words.

Provide a name for your project/program/initiative. Your title should be short but descriptive

Anticipated start date *

Anticipated end date *

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Program location

Where will this program be delivered in the Liverpool LGA? please provide venue details *

Programs and events must be delivered in the Liverpool LGA, to be eligible for Council Grants.

Program Beneficiaries

What is the expected number of participants or attendees?

Must be a number.

Who will benefit from this program?

List the target groups that will benefit from this program.

Please provide an overview of what you will be doing in your project or event. *

Be descriptive, but succinct. Include a brief summary of who this project is for (i.e. beneficiaries), what you will do (i.e. the activities you will perform), and what effects you expect to result from your activities (outcomes). Go to the SmartyGrants [Answers Bank](#) if you need some ideas about how to frame your response.

Rationale: What is the need for this program in Liverpool and how will you address it? *

Tell us why your initiative is needed, and why you believe the activities you propose will produce the outcomes you seek. Provide statistics/evidence (where available) of both the need and the link between the work you will do and the outcomes you seek. Go to the SmartyGrants [Answers Bank](#) if you need some ideas about how to frame your response.

Will your project or event utilise local volunteers? Provide details of how many and how they will be involved.

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Are you working in partnership with any local organisations? Please list the organisation name/s and how are they supporting your program.

Go to the SmartyGrants [Answers Bank](#) if you need some ideas about how to frame your response.

Please upload letters of support (if available/relevant)

Attach a file:

A maximum of 5 files can be attached

Project Outcomes

* indicates a required field

Program Focus Areas

The Sustainable Environment Grants program provides financial assistance to support schools and community groups to play an active role in reducing their impact on the environment.

Please select which objective your project will support. Its important that application aligns with Council's target areas. *

- ☐ Waste minimisation
- ☐ Sustainable water use
- ☐ Environmental improvements
- ☐ Sustainable living

At least 1 choice and no more than 4 choices may be selected.

Ensure your program addresses one of the following Sustainable Environment Grant requirements

Alignment - How will your project support the above selected objective (s) ? *

Please refer to the Community Grants Donations & Sponsorship Policy to understand the target areas of this grant round. - see <https://www.liverpool.nsw.gov.au/community/grants-and-sponsorship>. Go to the SmartyGrants [Answers Bank](#) if you need some ideas about how to frame your response.

Project Outcomes

Please tell us about the outcomes you expect to result from your project. Outcomes are the changes you expect to occur for the beneficiaries (direct, indirect and/or intermediaries) of your project. Generally, outcomes can be framed as an **increase or decrease** in one or more of the following:

- Skills, knowledge, confidence, aspiration, motivation (these are generally immediate or short-term outcomes)
- Actions, behaviour, change in policy (these are generally intermediate or medium-term outcomes)
- Social, financial, environmental, physical conditions (these are generally long-term outcomes)

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Immediate outcomes occur directly following an activity (e.g. within 1 month); medium-term outcomes are those that fall between the short and long-term outcomes (e.g. between 1 month and 2 years); and long-term outcomes are those we expect to see years later (e.g. 2, 5, 10 or 50 years after the activity).

project outcomes	Timeframe	Explanatory notes
What changes do you expect will occur as a result of your project (e.g improved waste management system across the school.)? Please be brief. One per row. You can refer to the Grants Donations & Sponsorship Policy to understand the specific expected program outcomes for the Sustainable Environment Grant. Please ensure you have at least 3 relevant program outcomes. https://www.liverpool.nsw.gov.au/community/grants-and-sponsorship	When do you expect this outcome to emerge?	Add notes if you need to provide more context.

Program Budget

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Program Budget

Please outline your project expenses in the expenditure table below, inclusive of GST.

- Income refers to any cash or in-kind contribution your program, by your organisation, or any partners contributing to the program. You can also include external grants or sponsorships that will support this program.
- Expenditure refers to the cost of delivering the program. This includes cost of materials, catering, venue hire (non-council site), facilitator fees, marketing & promotion etc, and must be supported with a copy of the quote or invoice attached to this application below. Please refer the Grants Donations & Sponsorship Policy to understand project expenses that will not be supported by Council: <https://www.liverpool.nsw.gov.au/community/grants-and-sponsorship>
- The funding amount you are requesting from Council, must be supported with matching quotes/ invoices. For instance, if you are requesting a \$10,000 grant, we need to check quotes and invoices to the value of \$10,000 have been attached to this application.

Total Funding Requested (\$)

Insert dollar amount you are seeking from Council through this Community Grant Application. Maximum funding available \$10,000. The requested amount must be supported with invoices and quotes to show Council where the funds will be allocated. Upload section is below on this page.

Total Project Cost (\$)

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Insert the total cost as a dollar value for delivering this program, inclusive of all project expenses.

Budget

- List all the income you are investing into the project on the left-hand side of the budget table. Including the funding amount you have requested from Liverpool Council in this application (e.g. expected small grant from Liverpool Council \$1000)
- List all the eligible project expenses on the right-hand side of the budget table.

Income	\$	Expenditure	\$

Budget Totals

Total Income Amount

This number/amount is calculated.

Total Expenditure Amount

This number/amount is calculated.

Income - Expenditure

This number/amount is calculated.

Quotes / Invoices Upload

Please upload quotes and invoices that support the funding requested amount. You can attach multiple documents.

Attachment 1 *

Attach a file:

A minimum of 1 file and a maximum of 20 files may be attached.

Essential Documents

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Please upload a copy of your most recent Annual Report or Audited Financial Statements *

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Attach a file:

Please upload a copy of a valid Public Liability Certificate *

Attach a file:

Working with Children

If your program or event involves working with Children, you must hold the necessary documentation and provide evidence of a Working with Children Check before a funding request can be approved.

Will your program or event involve working with children?

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

Please upload a current WWCC document registered in the name of the org/ program facilitator that will be present when children are engaged.

Attach a file:

Certification and Feedback

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Certification

This section must be completed by an appropriately authorised person on behalf of the applicant organisation (may be different to the contact person listed earlier in this application form).

- **I certify that to the best of my knowledge the statements made within this application are true and correct, and I understand that if the applicant organisation is approved for this grant, we will be required to accept the terms and conditions of the grant as outlined in the funding agreement.**
- **I understand any affiliation to the Mayor and Councillors must disclosed to Liverpool Councils Grants Officer - grants@liverpool.nsw.gov.au**

I agree *

☐ Yes

Name of authorised person *

Title First Name Last Name

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Must be a senior staff member, trustee or appropriately authorised volunteer

Position *

Position held in applicant organisation (e.g. CEO, Treasurer)

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Phone number *

Must be an Australian phone number.

We may contact you to verify that this application is authorised by the applicant organisation

Email *

Must be an email address.

Applicant Feedback

You are nearing the end of the application process. Before you review your application and click the **SUBMIT** button, please take a few moments to provide some feedback. This is optional and does not impact your application.

Please indicate how you found the online application process.

☐ Very easy ☐ Easy ☐ Neutral ☐ Difficult ☐ Very difficult

How many minutes in total did it take you to complete this application?

Estimate in minutes i.e. 1 hour = 60

Please provide us with your suggestions about any improvements and/or additions to the application process/form that you think we need to consider.