



Community Assistance Grants

Successful Applications

As part of our March 2026 Community Assistance Grants scheme, we have awarded funding to 25 local community events and projects. By providing financial assistance we support outcomes that promote participation, inclusion, working and learning together, supporting connectedness and activating community spaces such as parks, halls and other facilities. Our grants scheme encourages the provision of projects and events for the wider community.

25 activities will be funded in this round (\$120,648) and include:

Gormandale Community House Inc

Gormandale Community Library

To establish a dedicated library and computer room within the community house. This space will provide essential access to books, technology and basic digital services for community members who may otherwise need to travel significant distances.

Golden Paradise Beach Ratepayers & Residents Association Inc

Golden Beach Community Gallery Accessible Amenities Stage 2 (Slab Construction)

To construct a concrete slab required for installation of a fully accessible public toilet facility at the Golden Beach Gallery precinct in the Community Tourist Park area. The project is Stage 2 of a three-stage community infrastructure initiative designed to provide compliant, all-abilities amenities for visitors and volunteers.

Port Albert Water Sports and Safety Organization

Port Albert Water Sports and Safety Building Acoustic Improvement

Installation of acoustic panels in the PAWSSA club room to improve the sound quality and reduce the echo.

Yarram Eisteddfod

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The Yarram Eisteddfod is an eight day music and drama competition held in Yarram's Regent Theatre. The eisteddfod provides an opportunity for individual performers, school groups and bands to perform in an encouraging environment.

Sale Girl Guides

Sale Girl Guides Active Equipment Project

To purchase sports and recreational equipment to support active, inclusive programs for girls aged 5–17. The equipment will be used across four local units: Rainbow Guides, Kookaburra Guides, Opal Guides and Blue Blossom Rangers.

Gwenfa Hampton Kindergarten

Roof and Flashing Repair

A section of the kindergarten's roof requires repair as there has been some leakage and a small window in a store room requires its flashing repaired. Funding will be used to make these repairs.

Yarram Agricultural Society

Yarram Agricultural Show

The Yarram Agricultural Show is a local, iconic, and historic community event that has been in existence for 138 years. The event showcases talent in traditional exhibits of cookery, horticulture, poultry, art and craft, and photography. The event is your traditional country show - with lots to see and do for people of all ages.

Sale's Lakeside Community Garden Inc. (Seed)

Park bench Seating

Seed needs safer, low risk seating to reduce snake hiding spots in the garden. Funding will allow replacement of current benches with new benches that are designed to eliminate gaps and crevices that snakes might hide in, keeping the space safer for all visitors.

Stratford Community Association

First Friday of The Month Free Community Lunch

The Community Lunch Club provides a welcoming, inclusive space where local residents can enjoy a free meal, meaningful conversation and social connection. Designed to address loneliness and social isolation, the lunch creates a supportive environment where everyone feels valued and welcome. In addition to the shared meal, participants can take part in facilitated lawn bowls, card games and board games, or connect informally at their own pace.

Heyfield Inclusion for Everyone Incorporated

Expanding Our Roots: Second Shipping Container for Garden Operations Hub

This project involves installing a second shipping container as the next stage in developing the community garden in Heyfield. The container will help establish a functional central hub for garden members and visitors.

The Maffra & District Agricultural Pastoral and Horticultural Society Inc.

Maffra Show Entertainment - "Saddle Up"

To coincide with the year of the horse, Maffra show will celebrate a country feel "Saddle up". The money will be used for: 1. Music - Bands. Maffra Municipal Band, Emily Nock, Tom Gannon, The Lone Hands. Entertainment - Wacky Wombat, Katrina Reed horse show, decorations, cooking demonstrations, face painter, craft, administration.

Maffra Womans Shed

Leadlighting and mosaic workshop

To provide members running community workshops access to all the tools and equipment that would otherwise be financially unavailable for so many.

Heyfield Tennis Club

Pickleball Court Upgrade

Upgrading currently unused asphalt tennis courts to make them suitable for full time pickleball. This will include barrier netting between courts, permanently fixed nets and surface improvements through painting the courts with a specialised paint.

Yarram Toy Library*Supporting Toy Library*

This would support the purchasing of new toys and equipment to support the Yarram & District families.

Loch Sport Community House Inc*The Loch Sport Link*

LSCH produces, publishes and distributes the local bi-monthly newsletter, The Loch Sport Link. It contains local news, info, directory, community group info, businesses etc. It is a highly valued local resource with approx. 250 - 850 paper copies each edition.

Lakeside Rockers Gippsland Inc.*Elvis Rock 'n' Roll Dance" Promoting Active Ageing & Community Connection*

LSR will host an Elvis Rock'n'Roll Dance for approximately 120 attendees, primarily retirees and local community members, with the event also expected to attract participants from metropolitan areas.

Rosedale & District Adult Horse Riding Club*Supporting Volunteer sustainability through equipment access*

To purchase a tractor to enable safe and efficient movement of jumps and maintenance materials around the grounds.

Heyfield Community Resource Centre*Keeping Local News in Print - a new printer for the Heyfield News.*

The funding will be used to help cover the cost of replacing the existing printer that prints the Heyfield News, Heyfield's community newsletter.

Briagolong Quarry Reserve Committee Inc*Safety Fence*

Installation of a safety fence along the walkway to the community swimming area.

Longford Cricket Club*Replacement Cricket Nets*

Replacement of the netting on the practices cricket nets at Stephenson Park.

Sale Food Support Inc*Sustainability, security and professional delivery of food relief services by the Sale Food Support Inc.*

The Sale Food Support Inc are endeavouring to update their facility with new office equipment and furniture.

Maffra Gymnastic Club*Supply more foam for Foam pit*

The Maffra Gymnastic Club urgently requires additional foam pieces to top up the Foam Pit as it is no longer safe for all gymnasts to use.

Sale Tennis Club Inc.*2026 Sale Sporting Legends 05K J125 GBS Event*

Funding towards Open and Junior tennis tournament. The 2025 tournament attracted 145 entrants and for 2026 we have an ambitious target to attract over 200 players from local, state and national clubs seeking ranking points to progress their tennis careers as well as enjoying the local natural environment and attractions.

Port Albert Fishing Club Inc

Purchase of audiovisual equipment plus support equipment and printer

Purchase of a multimedia projector, dropdown screen, supporting laptop, printer and Wi-Fi modem, to upgrade the functionality and utility of the Clubhouse for members, visitors, and the broader community alike.

Sale-Maffra & District Kennel Club Inc and Macalister All Breeds K&O Club Inc

Gippsland International Winter Festival - All Breeds Championship Shows

The event includes 4 separate All Breeds Championship dog shows, conducted under the Rules & Regulations of Dogs Victoria (which holds and Applicable Organisation status). Over 3 days, exhibitors will converge on the Maffra Recreation Reserve to see around 100 different breeds of dog strive for the coveted Best in Show award.

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