2026 Community Festive Grants
Form Preview

Community Festive Grants Now Open!

Instructions

- Please provide a response to all relevant questions on the pages;
- When you have completed all of the questions on a page, click on **Next Page** to view the next page of the application form;
- Click **Save Progress** periodically to ensure you do not lose any information you have entered;
- You can jump to any page in application form by using **Application Form Navigation** table on the right side of the form;
- Once you have completed all of the pages of the form, the last page of the form will provide you with the opportunity to **Review** your application. If you are happy with your application you can then click **Submit**, if you have answered all of the required questions a **Confirmation Message** will be displayed to acknowledge receipt of your application.
- Please be aware **applications close 8 November 11:59pm unless funding allocation exhausted.**

Applications are assessed on a rolling basis

- If you have access requirements that cause difficulty submitting material online and you need assistance, please call 9392 5000.
- To talk with a free interpreter call 131 450.
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- Parliamo la vostra lingua. Per parlare gratuitamente con un interprete chiamate il numero 131 450. Chiedetegli di chiamare il Comune di Inner West al numero 9392 5000.
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Applicant Information

Inner West Council is offering grants of up to $500 to assist local community groups to celebrate the festive season. Council is supporting end of year celebrations events that engage local residents and enhance community spirit and encourage participation across the community.

The Community Festive Grants are provided to support community groups and not-for-profit organisations to present free, inclusive events and activities, such as:

- Local community carols events located in community halls or local facilities

- Non-denominational events that encourage community participation in festive celebrations and/or activities

The activity must occur between 1 December and 25 December 2026.

A total of $6,000 has been allocated to Community Festive Grants, which will be assessed on a rolling basis throughout the application period, until the allocation has been exhausted.

ELIGIBILITY

Activity Eligibility

Eligible activities must demonstrate that the event:

- brings the community together to celebrate the festive season
- has outcomes that are delivered in the Inner West Council Local Government Area
- is open to the public and has no entry or participation fee or charge

Examples of eligible activities may include:

A free community choir performance or a public Santa visit. These examples are illustrative only. All proposed activities must meet every eligibility requirement listed above.

Activity Ineligibility

Applications are ineligible if the request for support;

- is purely commercial (i.e. Christmas-themed advertising) or has the potential to make significant profit,
- is part of ongoing administration or operational costs of the applicant,
- in the case of registered schools and training organisations, includes costs associated with the employment of teaching or support staff and / or delivery of curriculum.
- is in support of a private event such as a work Christmas party or is closed to the public.

Who Can Apply

Applicants must be an organisation such as an:

- Incorporated association
- Registered charity
- Registered school or training organisation
- Unincorporated group who is auspiced by a not-for-profit organisation
- An Australian private company, provided the activity is for public benefit and is not primarily a marketing or promotional exercise

Applicants must have current Public Liability Insurance to a minimum of $20m

Applicants must not be

- Current employees or staff contracted to Council
- A person appointed to a role within Council
- Individuals or Sole Traders
- Federal, state or local government agencies
- Political Parties

Submissions made after the closing time and date of the grant round will not be accepted.

SUCCESSFUL APPLICATIONS

Payment and GST

Payment information will be provided with the letter of offer. Grants will be paid in full upon receipt of a tax invoice. Organisations registered for GST should add GST to the grant amount.

Recognition of assistance

Successful applicants must acknowledge the Inner West Council for their activity at the activity and in any promotional material in relation to the activity.

Activity Variations

If there are significant changes to the funded activity, applicants must contact Council to confirm that the variation is acceptable prior to the activity. This includes but is not limited to, activity start and end dates, venues, fees and charges.

Applicant Details

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Form Applicant Details

Applicant

Title | First Name | Last Name

Please provide your details as the person completing this application. Council may contact you if we have any questions about the application.

Applicant Primary Phone Number

Must be an Australian phone number.

Applicant Primary Email

Must be an email address.

Entity Details

What type of organisation or group are you applying on behalf of? *

- ○ Registered Not-For-Profit Organisation
- ○ Registered Charity
- ○ Registered School or Training Organisation
- ○ Incorporated Association
- ○ Group (Not Incorporated)
- ○ Australian Private Company

Applicant Organisation ABN (if applicable)

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	

Must be an ABN.

Organisation Name

(if applicable)

Organisation Street Address *

Address

Suburb State Postcode

Applicant Organisation Postal Address

Address

Contact Person *

Title First Name Last Name

Please provide the details of the person who should be named in formal correspondence, agreements and invoices relating to the organisation or group. This may be the same person completing the application.

Position in the organisation *

Contact Phone Number *

Must be an Australian phone number.

Contact Email Address *

Must be an email address.

Organisation or Group Website

Must be a URL.

What is the purpose of your organisation or group

Please provide a short statement describing the applicant's reason for being and its activities. This statement will be used in reports, media statements and external communications related to this grant.

Auspice Details

If you are an unincorporated group or association, you will need to nominate an organisation that is a registered not for profit organisation or a charity to auspice the funds on your behalf.

Auspice
Organisation Name

Auspice ABN

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Must be an ABN.

Auspice Position

Auspice Primary Address
Address

Auspice Primary Phone Number

Must be an Australian phone number.

Auspice Primary Email

Must be an email address.

Auspice Primary Website

Must be a URL.

Click **Review** to view your application

Click **Next Page** to continue your application

Activity Details

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Activity Summary

Project Title

Short Project Description

Provide a short description (50 words recommended) of your project - what are you planning to do?

Start Date

Must be a date.
Must be between 1 December and 25 December

End Date

Must be a date.

Must be between 1 December and 25 December

Activity Description

Please respond to each criteria below. You application will be assessed against your response to the selection criteria.

Describe your activity and how it will be delivered *

Word count:
Must be no more than 100 words.

How will your activity benefit the community? *

Word count:
Must be no more than 100 words.

Describe how you will spend the requested funds *

Word count:
Must be no more than 50 words.

How many people are expected to attend your activity? *

Must be a number.

How will you make your event accessible? *

Please upload your Public Liability Insurance (cover of $20m is required) *
Attach a file:

If you are being auspiced by an organisation, please upload the organisation's public liability insurance

Declarations

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Child Involvement

Will your event potentially involve people under the age of 18? *

○ Yes ○ No

Child Safe Requirements

The Parties agree that performance of the project may include Child Related Work. For the purposes of this section, "**Child Related Work**" has the meaning given to it in the *Child Protection (Working With Children) Act 2012* and usually includes any work where the work involves, or is likely to involve, direct contact with a child or children and that contact is a usual part of and more than incidental to the work in connection with at least one of the specified categories of child related work.

Before the applicant organisation undertakes any Child Related Work, the applicant organisation must ensure that:

- relevant staff and volunteers hold a valid Working With Children Check and that verifications have been undertaken;
- relevant staff and volunteers have required child protection skills and knowledge and have attended relevant training and induction sessions;
- it has in place appropriate child protection policies and procedures and such policies

and procedures are updated to address any key changes under child protection legislation;

- any specific undertakings in its policy and procedures, such as training requirements, are being complied with;
- its Child safety risk management strategies are developed, implemented and regularly reviewed; and
- notification of any and all reportable allegations regarding staff of the applicant organisation are notified to Council as soon as the applicant organisation becomes aware.

The applicant must provide Council with any report reasonably required by Council relating to the applicant organisation's obligations under this section. The applicant accepts that Council may itself or engage a third party to undertake formal reviews of the applicant organisation's child protection policies, procedures and practices to assess compliance with relevant child protection legislation and the child protection requirements and will reasonably cooperate with Council or any such third party including provision of the information which is reasonably requested.

Please indicate whether or not this Child Safe requirement clause is applicable to your project/program/initiative? *

○ Yes ○ No

Declarations

How did you hear about this opportunity? *

I declare that to the best of my knowledge the information in this application is true and correct *

○ Yes