



## **DISTRICT COUNCIL OF GRANT**

### **MEDIA RELEASE**

#### **For Immediate Release**

**12 April 2022**

### **Council reviews Community Grants Program**

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Council is currently undertaking a review of our Community Grants Program and would greatly appreciate feedback from our District Council of Grant Community groups, sporting clubs and hall committees so that we can continue to provide grants that meet their needs and those of our community.

Over the past year Council has funded almost 30 projects through the Community Grants Program, which provide much needed funds to incorporated not for profit groups across the district. The \$36,000 in funding has supported projects such as facility upgrades, purchase of equipment, design and printing of advertising and promotional materials, and public art.

Acting Chief Executive Officer Leith McEvoy said a review is to ensure the funding program meets community need.

“Our Community Grants Program is a key community strengthening initiative however the program has not changed much since 2013 and we want to make sure this program continues to meet the needs and aspirations of our community”

“We want to make a more impactful program and to do this we need to identify community need for funds and how processes can be more efficient and streamlined, both for the community applying for grants and for council officers that support the program”.

The review also aims to identify what makes applying for a grant challenging and find ways to simplify the process and make funding even more impactful.

Consultation opened on Tuesday 12 April and closes on Tuesday 26 April. Feedback can be provided via Council Your Say DCG page <https://yoursaydcg.com.au/> or by contacting Council to request a hard copy form on 8721 0444.

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Blackfellows Caves mural by Jeremy levins commissioned by Carpenter Rocks Progress Association and funded by the District Council of Grant Community Grants 2021/22.

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