

Frequently Asked Questions

Community Environment Grant 2023-24

How do I apply for a Community Environment Grant?

Before starting an application, make sure you read the [2023-24 Community Environment Grant Guidelines](#). Applications can be made via the SmartyGrants link on Alexandrina Council's website: <https://alexandrina.smartygrants.com.au/CEG2324>

What is the purpose of the Community Environment Grant?

The Community Environment Grant is a funding program offered by Alexandrina Council to support community-led projects that foster environmental and sustainable stewardship. The grant aims to achieve local environmental outcomes that benefit the Alexandrina region.

What type of activities will be funded by the grant?

The grant funds projects that demonstrate a strong link with goals, strategies, or actions identified in A2040 and Alexandrina's *Environmental Action Plan*. Eligible activities include demonstration sites/projects, engagement and education programs, biodiversity and water conservation, waste and energy minimisation projects, on-ground works, community-based research and more.

Who can apply for the Community Environment Grant?

Not-for-profit incorporated community groups or legal entities with comparable status, as well as unincorporated not-for-profit community groups auspiced by an appropriate incorporated entity. Businesses with an ABN are also eligible to apply.

How much funding is available?

Grants of up to \$4,000 are available for eligible entities. The total funding pool allocated to the Community Environment Grant program in 2023-24 is \$18,000.

Is there a minimum funding request?

Yes, a minimum funding request of \$500 applies to all applications.

When will applicants be notified of the outcome of their application?

Applicants will be notified of the outcome of their application by the end of October 2023.

What are the conditions of funding for successful applicants?

Funded projects must be completed by 31 December 2024. Recipients must sign a Grant Funding Agreement prior to funds being processed which will outline the full terms and conditions of funding. A Grant Evaluation and Acquittal Report must be completed within two months of project completion. Non-compliance may affect eligibility for future grant funding.

Can I contact someone to discuss whether my project is eligible?

Yes, applicants are encouraged to contact Council's Environmental Officers to discuss their project eligibility before commencing the application process. They can be reached at (08) 8555 7000 or by email at alex@alexandrina.sa.gov.au.

Who can I speak to if I'm having trouble in completing my application form?

SmartyGrants has a comprehensive online [Help Guide for Applicants](#) which should assist with most queries regarding the application process. If you're still having difficulty, please call Council's Grants Officer for further assistance on (08) 8555 7000.