

Shoalhaven Anti-Poverty Committee Prospering Community Project Fund

Building social prosperity for individuals, families and communities

Who is the Shoalhaven Anti-Poverty Committee?

The Shoalhaven Antipoverty Committee (SAPC) is a coalition of interested non-government organisations, Government agencies and local residents committed to working with all community members to create a prosperous, inclusive and sustainable community. The Committee aims to build social inclusion by working in partnership with the community and business sectors, government agencies and local residents and has committed to measure our community's success in becoming more socially inclusive.

What is the grants Program?

The Fund has been established to provide small financial subsidies of up to \$1000.00 (GST Exc) to eligible not-for-profit community service organisations for initiatives that:

- Support individuals, families and whole communities to be better off and included in community.
- Reduce the risk of health-related conditions such as diabetes, mental health issues and heart disease in the community.
- Help make the community a safer place to live.
- Support families to have increased positive functioning.
- Promote a strong sense of connectedness and belonging within the community.

The Fund is made possible through the hard work of the Nowra Makers Markets Committee who operate local markets and donate a portion of the Stallholder fee to SAPC.

How much can we apply for and who can apply?

Grants of up to \$1000 (GST exclusive) are available. Incorporated not-for-profit, non-government community service organisations, have an ABN and offer services in the Shoalhaven LGA are eligible to apply.

Who do I talk to?

For more information you can contact the Shoalhaven Neighbourhood Services Community Coordinator Judith Reardon on 44221299 or 44215077 or email community@sns.org.au.

What type of projects will be funded?

We are seeking project activities which will reduce disadvantage and social exclusion by offering opportunities that build on individual and community strengths, increase social, civic and economic participation, give the community a greater voice with greater responsibility for creating their own positive future, use locational approaches, are targeted towards early intervention; and plan for sustainability.

The SAPC has previously funded such activities as community events, community reading projects, adult literacy support groups, and leadership programs for young people.

Organisations who have received Anti-Poverty Committee funding before, are encouraged to build on what they have achieved previously, by trying something different, something complimentary or more challenging, so as to continue building the capacity of individuals, families and communities to move out of disadvantage and become more connected to community.

What is the timeline?

Applications **open 6 February 2019** and **close 15 March 2019**.

Email applications to community@sns.org.au.

Eligible applicants will be invited to present their ideas to the full Committee on Monday 1 April at 1.00pm. Successful applicants will be notified by mid-June 2019 and monies will be transferred by July 1.

How long do you have to complete your project?

Projects can commence as soon as the funds are received and ideally be completed within a 12-month period.

What do you need to contribute?

A grant of up to \$1,000 (GST exclusive) will be provided to cover eligible expenses. The funding comes with the understanding that your organisation will also contribute in-kind e.g. enthusiasm, staff and/or volunteer time, venue, etc.

You will be asked to promote the SAPC's work messages wherever possible e.g. putting our logo on promotional material or sharing outcomes from the funding on social media.

If your organisation receives a grant, we will ask you to attend a meeting of the SAPC in February 2020 to share your experience, and to provide us with a written report including photos of your project activities and how it went.

You must give us permission to share your story in our *Perspectives on Poverty* Report and on social media. The funding recipient is responsible for securing appropriate consents.

What do you need to do?

1. Come up with project idea
2. Discuss your idea with the Community Coordinator of Shoalhaven Neighbourhood Services.
3. Complete the simple one-page Expression of Interest form attached and submit by 15 March 2019.
4. Be prepared to attend the SAPC meeting on Monday 1 April at 1.00pm to discuss your idea with the Committee. Attendance at this meeting is required if you wish to be considered for funding.

Applications will be reviewed by members of SAPC. You will be informed by mid-June 2019 if your project is successful.

Expression of Interest Prospering Community Project Fund

Project/Strategy:

What is your Fund idea?

Service or community benefit:

How will this activity benefit the wellbeing and social inclusion of individuals, families or community? How will you know that your project has worked?

What will your organisation contribute to the project?

(For example: venue, staff time, volunteers, advertising)

Money:

How much money will you need to complete this project? What will you use the money for in general terms? Please provide a short budget in the table below (insert extra rows as needed).

Item	CASH	In Kind
Total (GST EXCLUSIVE)		

- YES! We can attend the SAPC meeting on Monday 1 April 2019 at 1.00pm to present our idea to the Committee**
- Yes! We are, or are being auspiced by, an incorporated not for profit/nongovernment organisation**
- YES! We will complete this project within 12 months and are willing to share our Prospering Community Project Fund story with the Committee for publicity purposes.**

Name:

Position:

Organisation:

ABN:

Address:

Telephone:

Email:

Signature:

Date:

I learned about the Prospering Community Project Fund from:

Applications should be submitted via email to:

community@sns.org.au

Expressions of Interest close 15 March 2019