

MEDIA RELEASE

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Community Benefits from Stronger Community Fund Grants

Bayside Council recently finalised the second and final round of the State Government's Stronger Community Fund Grants with over \$500,000 awarded to 15 local community groups at a function on Thursday 22 February.

"Bayside residents will enjoy the benefits from a number of important community projects funded under the Stronger Communities Fund to help kick start priority community projects.

"It has given local residents, community groups and Council an opportunity to deliver infrastructure and services by working together," Mayor Bill Saravinovski said.

A full list of all recipients is attached.



Mayor Bill Saravinovski, Ron Hoenig MP, Michael Daley MP, Steve Kamper MP and Councillors with representatives of the 15 local community groups who shared over \$500,000 as part of the State Government's Stronger Community Fund Grants.

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Stronger Community Grant Fund — Round Two

Kingsgrove Community Aid Centre Inc	\$19,880	In Kind Support to fund various elements of service provision including – Venue / Room Hire; Childcare Worker; Staff recruitment and induction; Playgroup Coordinator; Petty Cash (catering, toys, craft items); mental health clinical support; early intervention; RUOK day; Post natal depression week etc.
Bayside Business Enterprise Centre	\$4833	Facilitation – Programs and incidentals such as transport/parking, stationery, computer software to support the running of the centre
The Bay Community Garden	\$30,327	Shelter / Shed / Water Tank / Guttering and Downpipe Installation inc. Contingency To provide community visitors can sit close to the garden and enjoy it and the Reserve. The Shelter will be used for regular meetings of the gardening group and its roof will collect rain water to use on the garden. A storage shed for gardening tools and equipment will be located adjacent to the shelter. The shelter will also provide a suitable venue for future activities such as workshops about gardening and sustainability.
South Eastern Community Connect	\$49,654	Project Coordinator/Health Nurse/Venue Hire/Publicity and Promotion; Admin – to provide a model of integrated care between child and family health nurse, community child health and speech pathology and key child and family service providers and the NGO sector in this area we are ensuring that children who have been historically under-represented in accessing early intervention services have the best start at school. This model of integrated care will also serve as a foundation for a community hub for CALD communities and conduit for access to additional essential health services such as immunisation, dental health, and women's health
Rockdale Rugby Football Club	\$50,000	Funding to upgrade the canteen facilities which will include cupboards, bench-tops, storage, commercial refrigerator, and commercial deep fryer; new lighting. Renovate the male and female toilets which include new toilets, cisterns, plumbing, hand basins and new lighting. Renovate home and visitors shower and change room facilities; includes new tiling, new drainage, and new lighting. Replacement of existing faulty hot water tanks.
Botany Family and Children's Centre	\$50,000	Resurface backyard with soft-fall, install fixed equipment / panels & seating. Much needed repair and renovation of the educational and interactive outdoor play area currently used by more than 150 Bayside Council families through supported playgroups and other programs provided by BFCC. This 150SM back garden area was last updated approximately 13 years ago and requires soft-fall resurfacing, replacement and upgrade of sun-protection sails and modern play equipment. BFCC has been located at its current premises and providing services to the local community for 38 years.
3 Bridges Community Limited	\$50,000	The Arncliffe Men's Shed is relocating to a bigger and better site within the Bayside Council LGA. The new site will have the capacity to provide a separate space allocated specifically to a work area where the equipment, machinery, work benches will be located for the shedders to build and create projects. It will also need disability access bathrooms so the Arncliffe Men's Shed can offer workshops to seniors groups and people with disabilities. And to ensure the safety of their equipment and machinery, the roller door needs to be replaced with a modern, electronic industrial door to make it harder to break into the building and make it easier to open and close for the shedders as well as ensuring that the health and safety of all participants using the building will be safeguarded. (Disability Toilet; Galvanised Roller Door; work benches; storage cabinets; painting and marking of work area)
The Deli Women and Children's Centre	\$26,996	Domestic Violence Groups for Mums with the key focus on strengthening safety, security and reinforcing mother/child attachment. Additional personalised parenting appointments will be offered for those needing extra support.

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Children with Disabilities Fund	\$25,000	Support Equipment for Children with Disabilities; Home Respite Relaxation chair iPad; Disability pram iPad switch interface; Three weeks intensive physiotherapy; Therasuit Intensive Program Powered wheelchair/ramp for vehicle; financial support for vehicle modification; iPad, head mount for wheelchair, head switch and specialised software compatible with switch access; Tilite titanium manual wheelchair; Pool hoist; Financial support for holiday; Split system air conditioner; Custom moulded sensor-motoric orthoses; Modified vehicle insurance and registration
Moving Forward Domestic Family Violence	\$24,829	Education costs for technology, stationery, tertiary fees, text books and some of the other hidden costs associated with study. This is specific to 10 of our clients who are women who have or are escaping Domestic and Family Violence. These costs can be a burden and deterrent for women who may want to study. To be eligible the women must be undertaking or continuing education during the funded time period. In addition to assistance with study costs, we would like to pay for women to attend a recognised Parenting Course through a local community or government organisation.
Nurses on Wheels	\$50,000	Nurses On Wheels (NOW), Day Tripper Bus is a vital and highly successful Program which we currently run from Monday - Friday. We are seeking to buy a 22 seater bus to expand on the existing 12-seater service which takes-up to 11 frail and socially isolated clients (from the Bayside Council area) on affordable and interesting day trips during the week.
Shopfront Arts Co. Op. Ltd.	\$50,000	Project Manager Wages for 12 months + Carer Supervision and Support Program Administration - Shopfront will work with Young People to facilitate six Youth forums across 12 months for an audience of their peers. These Youth curated events will focus on issues relevant to the Young People of the area and provide a safe space for genuine engagement, discussion and community building.
Moving Forward Domestic Family Violence	\$10,068	To facilitate a half day professional development symposium offering strategies to assist those who are working with children who have experienced trauma. In particular the training will focus on children who have experienced family violence. There has been an emphasis on the theory of trauma informed practice and considerable training made available to those who work with vulnerable populations. There has been limited training on actual strategies to employ when working with children. This half day will allow us the opportunity to invite professional people who use evidence based strategies successfully in their daily practice.
Macedonian Orthodox Church St Petka	\$24,568	New technology - Fire & Emergency Lighting Upgrade. We are spending an unjustifiable amount on up keeping an old Fire & lighting system. Project is to replace the complete fire and emergency lighting system. The up-to date system does not require 6 monthly testing.
St George Youth Services	\$50,000	The Youth POP-UP! Activities Project is an innovative, interactive & engaging program of POP-Up activities for young people who reside in various locations across the Bayside LGA. These activities will incorporate personal development and life skills using arts-based and interactive activities to increase the positive health, well-being & community engagement of young people aged 17-21. It will be available for all young people, including those who are identified as disadvantaged, disengaged or 'at risk'. This will include unemployed youth, young people who are culturally & linguistically diverse backgrounds, Aboriginal youth, young people living with a mental illness, coping with family breakdown or drug addiction, homeless youth, young offenders, early school leavers.

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