

# Community Relief and Rebuild Fund

## Frequently Asked Questions



**What's the 'survival and readiness' phase in response to COVID-19? Where is the document or the link to the Community Support Package?**

**Answer:**  
<https://www.singleton.nsw.gov.au/913/Community-Support-Package>

**What type of programs and activities would be eligible for grant funds?**

- ♦ **Virtual or non-virtual wellbeing events?**

**Answer:** Yes, subject to the eligibility criteria

- ♦ **Development of well-being toolkit?**

**Answer:** Yes, directly benefiting residents of Singleton LGA

- ♦ **Purchase or hire of IT equipment to allow vulnerable community members to access wellbeing toolkits, free on-line courses?**

**Answer:** Any equipment purchases are to directly benefit the affected residents and must not be used for administration purposes.

- ♦ **Providing access to online learning modules such as a Mental Health course?**

**Answer:** The applicant must meet the eligibility criteria and be providing access to the courses to affected residents.

- ♦ **A careers day - helping community members to network, assistance in writing resumes and providing resources?**

**Answer:** The applicant must meet the eligibility criteria

- ♦ **Creating a safe space for vulnerable community members to meet physically after COVID-19 pandemic restrictions are lifted?**

**Answer:** The applicant must meet the eligibility criteria including being under the auspice of an eligible organisation.

- ♦ **Art therapy classes?**

**Answer:** Yes, subject to eligibility guidelines

- ♦ **Equipment to allow home delivery services to be offered to vulnerable community members including delivery of groceries, meals, medication, wellbeing toolkit?**

**Answer:** Yes, subject to eligibility guidelines

- ♦ **Development and implementation of local sports program?**

**Answer:** Yes, subject to eligibility guidelines and subject to the conditions of any other grant funds from council

- ♦ **Marketing for our project including for example promoting a clothing donation event for year 12 formal students?**

**Answer:** Yes, subject to eligibility guidelines

**We are a community sector group but we are not incorporated and we don't have an ABN. Can we apply?**

**Answer:** Yes, under the auspice of an ABN registered organisation and with an auspice agreement in place.

*An **auspice agreement** is a legally binding contract. It sets out the legal obligations of both parties toward each other and in relation to any specific funding or other agreements*

**Does "increased capacity to cope with increased demand" mean I can employ more staff, buy equipment and do staff training?**

**Answer:** No. The activity must directly benefit the 'client or community' and cannot be used exclusively for administration and equipment which are considered general operational costs:

*Applications seeking grant funding for more than 20% of the total requested grant amount for administration costs, (including wages) are excluded.*



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**We support people in Singleton, but we have our office in a different LGA.**

**Answer:** The activity must service Singleton LGA residents

**I have a Sports Council grant submitted with Singleton Council. Can I apply?**

**Answer:** Applications may not be eligible if they are seeking or may be eligible funds from other Council grants or council funding sources for the same project.

*Organisation must have satisfactorily complied with conditions of any previous grant or sponsorship received from Singleton Council*

*Applications seeking duplicate support (funding or in-kind) for any expense, service or item which has been previously funded and/or supplied by Singleton Council to the same organisation, for the same service, project or activity in the same location is excluded.*

**We have DA approval for our project but require additional money?**

**Answer:** If the DA is already approved and the project meets the criteria you may be eligible. See guidelines section

*i. Activities which require a Development Application are ineligible*

**Can I run a competition e.g. Cake Decorating?**

**Answer:** Funding for incentives or prizes are excluded, activities should benefit all participants.

**Can I apply for funding to advertise my event?**

**Answer:** If the event benefits those directly affected by COVID-19 the proposed activity may be eligible. Demonstrate how the funding will directly benefit COVID-19 affected residents?

**I represent a fundraising committee attached to a government department or organisation, am I eligible for funding for my project.**

**Answer:** Applicants are community organisations who are directly responding to the COVID-19 pandemic. This includes: registered organisations with an ABN or ACN, not-for-profits, non-government organisations and charities or under the auspice of an eligible organisation.

**Can I apply for fee exemptions?**

**Answer:** Applications may not be eligible if they are seeking and/or are eligible for other sources of support from Council grants or council funding sources for the same project.

**What if my event or activity is not able to be run due to local, state or federal or government extension of restrictions?**

**Answer:** Organisations and proposed activities must comply with all COVID-19 government and health requirements, advice and guidelines. Please refer to NSW Health and Federal Government Health COVID-19 web sites for current advice. Council is not liable for funding events that cannot be held within the grant fund timeframe of 30 June 21.

**My activity/event will include the supply of Alcohol?**

**Answer:** Projects which will use grant funding to supply alcohol or other drugs are ineligible.



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