

Netball NSW Inclusive Community Grants 2021

Application Guidelines

As part of Netball NSW's commitment to encourage diversity in our game, in 2021 Netball NSW is once again providing the Inclusive Community Grants scheme to support Associations in meeting their participation objectives.

About the Grants

The Netball NSW Inclusive Community Grants are administered by Netball NSW for projects that seek to improve the health and engagement of our diverse communities through netball.

Project grants of up to \$1000 can be requested. Successful recipients will have until 28 November 2021 to complete their project and will be required to submit a short evaluation report.

Eligible Applicants

Applications are open to the following:

- Netball Associations affiliated with Netball NSW in 2021
- Netball Clubs whom are affiliated with a Netball NSW Affiliated Association in 2021. These clubs must have their application endorsed by their Affiliated Netball Association.

Applicants will need to demonstrate they are incorporated and will need to provide a valid and current Association's ABN or Incorporation number.

Applications will need to include at least 2 contacts. In the case where a Club is the project lead, one of the contacts must be a Club contact and the other an Association contact.

Funding Objectives

Applications should address how they will meet the following objectives:

- a) Delivering Netball opportunities to new and diverse communities in inclusive and engaging ways
- b) Addressing barriers to participation in netball of underrepresented groups in netball, including:
 - i. Socioeconomic disadvantaged communities;
 - ii. Indigenous Australians;
 - iii. Multicultural or Culturally and linguistically diverse (CALD) communities;
 - iv. LGBTIQA people and communities;
 - v. Geographically isolated communities; and
 - vi. Persons with disabilities
- c) Improving the reach of the organisation's existing programs and impacting on the wider community

Applications will need to demonstrate the following:

- a) Community need;
- b) Projects have sustainable outcomes once the funding period has ended;
- c) Projects have tangible measures to show impact through outcomes achieved;
- d) Evidence of connections with a local community organisation(s) who will support the project;
- e) In kind or other similar contributions to the overall project; and
- f) The applicant or project lead has the capacity to successfully undertake the project

NOTE: Funds may be used to grow existing programs or for new initiatives provided the application clearly demonstrates engaging new people into netball. Projects which provide new opportunities with clearly identified engagement methods will be prioritised.

There is no minimum amount and up to a maximum of \$1,000.00 can be requested.

Funding Items

Example projects may include:

- Participation programs aimed at underrepresented communities in netball – see Funding Objective B
- Cultural Competence, Unconscious Bias, Inclusive Practise or disability awareness training
- Events that engage new communities leading into an ongoing participation program
- Providing participation opportunities for underrepresented groups - see Funding Objective B
- Supporting participants in underrepresented groups to pursue areas of development in netball e.g. coaching, umpiring, umpire support project for people with a disability

NOTE: Existing projects will be considered provided they demonstrate how new community groups or new participants will be engaged in netball.

Costs that will not be funded:

- Remuneration of volunteers or wages for administrative and executive;
- Administration costs;
- Insurance (public liability, general liability, facility and contents etc.);
- Prize money or costs associated solely with presentation functions;
- Office equipment;
- Player appearance fees;
- Facility hire or rental fees where the venue is the Association or Club courts;
- Equipment alone (can be considered within the context of the project);
- Food or catering alone;
- School related activities and events;
- Travel (can be considered within the context of the project);
- Costs associated with fundraising events and activities;
- Projects not based in NSW;
- One off activities that do not result in ongoing outcomes (such as uniform, travel and accommodation costs associated with State Titles)

Payment of Grants

Successful projects will receive a lump sum payment made to the Association who can manage the funds accordingly. Club based projects will require endorsement and application by the Association. The project applicant will need to provide the Association's ABN or Incorporation number and bank account details for payment of the grant.

Successful projects will be required to provide a short evaluation report along with a financial report and include any relevant receipts or invoices associated with grant spending.

Assessment Criteria/Weighting

Applications will be assessed on the following criteria:

- 1) Strong project alignment with the Grant objectives - (20%)
- 2) Need for the project in the community - (15 %)
- 3) Strong benefit and/or expanded reach to the community - (15%)
- 4) Clear outcome measures have been considered for reporting – (15%)
- 5) Evidence of a well-planned budget inclusive of in-kind contributions and the requested amount reflects the value for money in the project outcomes - (15%)
- 6) Community support of the project and links with community partners - (15%)
- 7) Demonstration that the applicant has the capacity to successfully undertake the project - (5%)

Application Process

Applications must be lodged via the online application [here](#)

For assistance with the application process or advice about your project, please contact the Participation Coordinator – Community

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Assessment Process

- The Netball NSW Inclusive Community Grants Assessment Panel will shortlist applications based on assessment against the criteria above
- Netball NSW will inform applicants of assessment results via email
- All funded projects must provide a post project evaluation and budget report to Netball NSW at the end of the project.

Key Dates

Applications Open:	Monday, 8 February 2021
Applications Close:	Friday, 5 March 2021
Grants Awarded:	Week of Monday, 15 March 2021
Post Project Evaluation:	by Friday, 26 November 2021

Terms and Conditions for the Netball NSW Inclusive Community Grassroots Grants can be [found here](#). Applicants are encouraged to read the grant Guidelines and Terms and Conditions carefully before submitting their application.

Frequently Asked Questions/Definitions

What is community need?

Community need is identified as the gaps between what a situation is and what it should be. The goal is to develop and communicate an informed understanding of the gaps or needs that exist within a community and their impacts upon the community's members, showing how you came to the conclusion that your project is needed to fill this gap. You can often demonstrate this with statistics or survey/feedback data or any meetings held with community groups or partners. Some useful websites to help with statistical data includes:

[Australian Bureau of Statistics](#)

[Community Profiles](#)

[Forecasting Populations](#)

What are tangible measures?

Tangible measures are those that provide the level of effectiveness of an outcome. This is to help to clarify your understanding of your program and allow for evaluation of your project, showing the impact made. Examples can include the transition rate, assessed pre/post survey responses, interviews and more.

What is a sustainable outcome?

A sustainable outcome is a project outcome or outcomes with the ability to continue achieving program goals after the funding ceases. This may be a partnership development with agreed additional resources to continue the project, or project outcomes which result in ongoing impact.