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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- The purpose of this report is to provide recommendation to Council for funding allocation of the 2018 Community Grants, Annual Mayoral School Citizenship Awards and Annual Community Hall Rate Subsidies.
- It is recommended that:
 - Council fund 36 Community Grant Applications for a total value of \$40,245.00 as detailed in this report.
 - Council fund 18 local schools at \$200.00 each for the Mayoral School Citizenship Award at a total of \$3,600.00 as detailed in this report.
 - Council fund 4 Community Hall Rates Subsidies for a total of \$11,203.31 as detailed in this report.
 - Council approve Annual Assistance of \$3,000.00 to The Oaks Community Chamber of Commerce for the Light Up The Oaks Christmas event and \$1,000.00 to Community Links Wollondilly for International Women's Day Celebrations commencing in 2019/20 financial year.

REPORT

Applications for the 2018 Community Grants opened Tuesday 1 May 2018, closing Thursday 31 May 2018. This report provides an overview of the Community Grants Program and of the grant applications received.

Council received \$67,503.00 worth of funding applications with a pool of \$40,314.00 available.

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There are 5 grant categories in this round of funding:

2018 Community Grants Assistance Summary of Applications Received					
CATEGORIES	2018 Funding Round				
	Applications Received	Funding Requested	Applications Recommended	Funding Recommended	Budget Allocation
Community Projects	21	\$ 55,758	17	\$ 29,500	\$ 30,390
Cultural Events	4	\$ 3,880	2	\$ 2,880	\$ 3,000
Capital Equipment	13	\$ 5,895	13	\$ 5,895	\$ 5,000
Sustainability	1	\$ 500	1	\$ 500	\$ 500
Leisure / Recreation	3	\$ 1,470	3	\$ 1,470	\$ 1,500
Total Applications	42	\$ 67,503	36	\$ 40,245	\$ 40,314
FUNDS AVAILABLE					
	Management Plan 2018 / 19				\$ 40,314
	Funds in Reserve				\$0
	Total Funds available				\$ 40,314
	Funding Recommended				\$ 40,245
	Balance of funds to be held in reserve				\$ 69
	Annual Assistance funds (Rates Subsidy)				11,203.31
	Annual Assistance (School Citizenship)				3,600.00

Recommended Community Projects - maximum grant \$3,000.00

Projects that help local communities to build skills, identify opportunities and/or undertake actions for the social benefit of community members.

Organisation	Project	Funding Recommended
Community Links Wollondilly	Project Grow Mud Stomp	1,000.00
Warragamba Silverdale Neighbourhood Centre	Bush Tucker Garden	3,000.00
The Oaks Community Chamber of Commerce	Light Up The Oaks Christmas	3,000.00
Checkyourtackle	Nuts and Bolts of Male Cancer	3,000.00

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PCYC Southern Highlands	Vacation Care Program	3,000.00
Wollondilly Women in Business	Business Hub Bargo Office equipment	500.00
Camden Wollondilly Domestic Violence Committee	Domestic Violence Bus Campaign	3,000.00
Sector Connect Paint the Town Read	Pilot Project in Warragamba Silverdale	1,000.00
Macarthur Sunrise Rotary Club	Dolly Parton Imagination Library	1,000.00
Community Links Wollondilly	Multicultural Resource Service	1,000.00
Picton Thirlmere Bargo RSL Sub Branch	Armistice Centenary Commemoration Service Equipment	500.00
STADS The Youth Initiative	What About Us Film Clip for Young People	3,000.00
Whole Heart Communities	Our Community Pantry Equipment	500.00
Warragamba Silverdale Neighbourhood Centre	Bold Jack Country Music Festival	1,500.00
NSW RFS Southern Highlands	Emergency Services Expo/Open Day	3,000.00
Wollondilly Arts Group	Affordable Art Workshops	1,000.00
WACCares Wollondilly Anglican Community Cares	Equipment purchase of freezer	500.00
Total		\$29,500.00

Recommended Art & Culture Events maximum grant \$1,000.00

Events that foster the Shire's cultural identity or that provide an accessible, diverse range of community art and cultural opportunities.

Organisation	Project	Funding Recommended
Buxton Community Association	Mosaic Workshop	1,000.00
Community Links Wollondilly	International Women's Day	1,000.00
Wollondilly Arts Group	Annual Members Exhibition	880.00
Total		\$2,880.00

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Recommended Sustainability Projects - maximum grant \$500.00

Projects that support the local environment and assist in making Wollondilly a more sustainable place to live.

Organisation	Project	Funding Recommended
Buxton Community Association	Hoselink purchase and installation	500.00
Total		\$500.00

Recommended Leisure & Recreation - maximum grant \$500.00

Activities that provide access to physical and social pursuits to support a healthy and active community.

Organisation	Project	Funding Recommended
Buxton Community Association	Play Equipment for playgroup and gardening group	500.00
Picton District Country Women's Association	Crocheting Class	470.00
PCYC Southern Highlands	Right Start Cross Fit program polo shirts	500.00
Total		\$1,470.00

Recommended Capital Equipment - maximum grant \$500.00

Purchases of small capital equipment items to support community organisation activities.

Organisation	Project	Funding Recommended
Teddy Bear Cottage	Little Monkeys Outdoor Climbing Equipment	500.00
Paws Pet Therapy	Marquee Cover	500.00
Appin Men's Shed	AEG Portable Power Tool Combo	500.00
Buxton Community Association	Microwave Kettle and Toaster	500.00
David G Stead Memorial Wildlife Research Foundation of Australia (Wirrimbirra)	Fire Pump	500.00
Appin Men's Shed	Directional Signage	500.00
Tahmoor Uniting Men's Shed	Directional Signage	500.00

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Organisation	Project	Funding Recommended
Picton District Country Women's Association	Kitchen Equipment	495.00
Wollondilly RFS Support Brigade	Contribution to portable generator	500.00
Wollondilly Tourism Association	Contribution to marquee, banners and flooring	500.00
Bargo Volunteer Rural Fire Brigade	STIHL BG 86CE Blower	400.00
Warradale Football Club	Mini Field Goals	500.00
Total		\$5,895.00
	TOTAL GRANTS	\$40,245.00

2018 Mayoral School Citizenship Awards

School Citizenship Award	Amount
Appin Public School	\$200.00
Bargo Public School	\$200.00
Buxton Public School	\$200.00
Cawdor Public School	\$200.00
Douglas Park Public School	\$200.00
Mount Hunter Public School	\$200.00
Oakdale Public School	\$200.00
Picton Public School	\$200.00
Picton High School	\$200.00
St Anthony's Primary School	\$200.00
Tahmoor Public School	\$200.00
The Oaks Public School	\$200.00
Thirlmere Public School	\$200.00
Warragamba Public School	\$200.00
Wilton Public School	\$200.00
Wollondilly Anglican College Primary	\$200.00
Wollondilly Anglican College Secondary	\$200.00
Yanderra Public School	\$200.00
Total	\$3,600.00

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2018 Community Hall Rates Subsidy

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1 Mason St, Thirlmere – Thirlmere Returned Serviceman’s League	\$2,842.08
1984 Silverdale Rd, Silverdale – Warragamba Silverdale Neighbourhood Centre Inc.	\$2,905.23
4 Station St, Menangle – Menangle Community Associate Inc.	\$1,469.20
22 West Parade, Buxton – Buxton School of Arts Hall	\$3,986.80
Total	\$11,203.31

All applications have been assessed against the eligibility criteria as adopted by Council in November 2013 under the Financial Assistance Framework.

Council's Community Grants Program is provided by Council under Section 356 of the NSW Local Government Act.

CONSULTATION

The Community Grants were widely promoted through print media, radio, Social Media and Internet/Website.

Two Community Grant Information Sessions were held on 3 May 2018 at 10.00am and 5.30pm for potential applicants to gain information about eligibility, process, requirements and timeframes.

The Team Leader Community Projects and Events was contactable during the opening of the funding round to respond to enquiries.

All applications were either submitted electronically or hard copy.

Applications were assessed by a panel of staff with recommendations circulated to Councillors via email and final recommendations contained in this report.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Funding has been allocated and is available under the 2018/19 Operational Budget, Financial Assistance Program.

ATTACHMENTS

Nil

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