



# Memorandum

<b>To:</b>	All SLSNSW Clubs & Branches
<b>From:</b>	Phil Ayres, Chief Operating Officer, SLSNSW
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**PLEASE NOTE: The NSW Office of Sport have confirmed the next round of the Surf Club Facility Program will be opening in the coming months - exact opening and closing dates have not been confirmed. This memo is being sent to enable Clubs and Branches that may wish to apply in the next round, sufficient time to gather the required documentation and approvals to lodge an application.**

The Surf Club Facilities Program assists NSW Surf Life Saving clubs to develop facilities that will enable increased facility usage, improve safety and increase participation in Surf Life Saving.

The guidelines for this year's round of the program have **not** yet been released however to enable clubs time to prepare, we have listed the historic funding criteria as a **guide only**. As soon as the new guidelines have been released, we will distribute the details. Historic eligibility criteria are as follows:

- Grants of \$30,000 to \$350,000 for construction of new surf club facilities, and capital enhancement of existing facilities.
- Applications **MUST** have land owner consent AND Council Development Approval (if required) or letter from Council such approval is not required at the time of applying.
- Over the lifespan of the program (from 2017-18), a funding cap of \$500,000 applies; no individual Club will be awarded more.
- Quotes:
  - for amounts under \$10,000, one quote has been required;
  - for amounts between \$10,000 and \$150,000, a minimum of three quotes has been required;
  - for applications over \$150,000, an open tender is required (this may be submitted once application is approved if not available at time of application).
- Evidence that the club can provide a co-contribution towards the total cost of this project (cash and/or in kind) of 25% of total project cost;
- In previous rounds, retrospective funding; general maintenance (e.g. painting); equipment including IT; requests for feasibility, design or development stages; projects that require Council DA but are yet to receive it **HAVE NOT** been eligible;
- Branches are generally only considered for funding if all applications from surf clubs in the round receive funding.

Clubs and Branches that may wish to apply are encouraged to commence gathering the required attachments **ASAP** as these can take many weeks/months to secure.

Information from the previous funding round - <https://www.sport.nsw.gov.au/grants/surf-club-facility-program> - to be used as a **guide only** until the NSW Office of Sport releases further information about this year's program.

If you are interested in this program, or have any questions in relation to this opportunity, we encourage you to contact one of the Surf Life Saving Grant Seeking Unit team members to discuss further.

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