



Memorandum

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Subject:	Grant Opportunity – Northern Rivers Community Fund (NRCF) 2021 Community Grants – Closing Monday 6 September 2021		

The **Northern Rivers Community Fund (NRCF) 2021 Community Grants** is now open **closing Monday 6 September 2021.**

- Grants of \$2,000 to \$10,000 are being offered. However, amounts up to \$5,000 are recommended
- Organisations must be addressing an identified need under one of the priority areas and the funding can be used for either a project, program or capital purchases
- For 2021, the NRCF will offer streams of funding that will focus on **four priority areas**:
 1. Projects that address the social, economic, cultural and/or educational disadvantage in the region
 2. Supporting the conservation of the natural environment, by conserving and restoring natural ecosystems, building community skills and education
 3. Recovery & Resilience – supporting smaller community organisations in their recovery from COVID-19 and/or recent natural disasters, specifically volunteer organisations. Priority will be given to organisations who require funding to adapt their current project/service offering as a direct result of COVID or natural disasters
 4. Housing & Homelessness – projects that focus on the prevention of homelessness and/or provide accommodation and support services for those most vulnerable
- Applicants will need to contribute either cash and/or in-kind to the project, as the NRCF will not fund 100% of the project
- Must discuss project with the funding body prior to applying – *the GSU can assist with this on your behalf*
- NRCF will prioritise applications that show external support for the project such as a letter of support from a community organisation that has had prior experience working with your organisation
- Organisations who have not previously received substantial state or federal funding for the same challenges will be prioritised
- Projects must be completed by 30 November 2022
- Operational costs not relating to the project will NOT be eligible, or retrospective funding
- Quotes and latest financials must be attached to the application. Letters of support are strongly recommended

Applicants will be advised of the outcome of their application by late November 2021. The application and guidelines can be accessed at [Community Grants Program | Northern Rivers Community Foundation \(nrcf.org.au\)](https://www.nrcf.org.au)

Please note – if your club would like the Surf Life Saving Foundation Grant Seeking Unit to assist in the writing and submission of an application or if you have any questions regarding the application process, please contact:

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