

## 2025 DYSONS COMMUNITY GRANTS – GUIDELINES

## About Dyson Group

Dyson's, a family business with over 70 years of history, operates Metropolitan, Regional, School, and Charter bus services across Victoria. We take great pride in being an integral part of the communities we serve.

Dyson Group provides funding for community resources and initiatives that have a tangible and positive impact amongst those experiencing disadvantage in the Victorian communities that Dyson Group serves. We firmly believe that communities know best what they need to thrive. We champion initiatives that are led by community, for the good of the community.

Dyson Giving Fund is a sub-fund of Australian Communities Foundation (ACF). ACF is Australia's only national community foundation and home to the nation's largest community of funders, giving for a fairer and more sustainable Australia.

## **Community Grant Round Focus & Priorities**

Dyson's Community Grants seek to **enhance community wellbeing** within the communities that Dyson Group serves, with a **focus on the below groups**:

- Migrant communities
- People with disability
- Women & girls
- Those facing economic hardship

Grants of between \$1000 - \$2000 are available for community groups and sporting clubs for the purchase or provision of tangible resources or equipment.

Grants of \$2000 - \$5000 are available for community programs, events, training or services (inclusive of any equipment or resource costs).

Applications that do not address community wellbeing for any of the identified groups will not be considered for grant funding.

# Eligibility

To be eligible to apply for a grant, your organisation should meet both of the following criteria:

- Be, or be auspiced by, an incorporated not-for-profit conducting activities with charitable purposes, and
- Be based within or deliver the majority of your activities within a 10km radius (metro areas) or 50km radius (rural/regional areas) of a Dyson Group depot.
  To confirm if you meet this criteria, please check our website here: https://www.dysons.com.au/locations

Dyson Group will not consider funding for:

- Individuals
- Activities that are partisan or religious in nature
- Retrospective activities (activities that have already occurred)
- Fundraising support for an organisation
- Capital works that do not directly support community wellbeing
- Sporting activities that do not also have a focus on alleviating disadvantage

### **General Conditions**

The funds available for each round are limited and it is likely that not all applications will receive funding.

Dyson Group may choose to offer part funding to an applicant at our discretion.

Organisations will be asked to acknowledge the Dyson Group as the source of funding wherever practical including media releases and any communications to members.

Dyson Group reserves the right to publish in any public forum, including the media, the results of each funding round, including the details of successful grant applicants.

#### Privacy

The information provided in the application form will only be used by Dyson Group and Australian Communities Foundation and will not be provided to any other third party.

#### How to apply

Applications for the 2025 Dyson Community Grants open at 9am on Thursday July 3, 2025 and close at 11.59pm, Sunday July 27, 2025.

To submit an application, create a profile or login to the Australian Communities Foundation grant portal at: <u>https://www.grantinterface.com.au/Home/Logon?urlkey=australiacf</u>

Enter the access code **DCG25** to start your application.

More information and a preview of the application form is available at <u>communityfoundation.org.au/support/dyson</u>

If you are unable to submit an application online and require an application form, please contact Claudia Lang at Australian Communities Foundation as below.

#### Contact

For further information on the grant guidelines or application process, please contact:

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