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CATEGORY 2: COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

	Name of Organisation	Amount Sought \$	Amount Recommended \$
1	Active Opportunities Inc	\$3,600	2,500
2	Evangelical Free Church of Australia	\$5,000	2,500
3	Fighting Chance Australia	\$4,500	2,800
4	KU West Pymble Preschool	\$1,100	1,100
5	Ku-ring-gai Community Workshop 'The Shed' Inc	\$3,000	2,500
6	Ku-ring-gai Division St John Ambulance NSW	\$2,920	2,920
7	Ku-Ring-Gai Stealers Baseball League Inc	\$4,800	2,500
8	Lindfield Bowling Club	\$5,000	Nil
9	Northside Community Forum Limited	\$5,000	2,500
10	NSW SLASA INC	\$5,000	2,000
11	Parkrun Australia	\$5,000	3,000
12	Rotary Club of St Ives INC	\$5,000	2,500
13	St James Church Turramurra for branch church Warrawee Anglican	\$1,000	1,000
14	StreetWork Incorporated	\$5,000	3,000
15	Studio ARTES Northside Inc	\$5,000	Nil
	Total	\$60,920	\$30,820

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ORGANISATION NAME:	Active Opportunities Inc
ORGANISATION BACKGROUND:	<p>Active Opportunities Inc is a not-for-profit organisation dedicated to providing equal access to quality sports programs to people with a disability or from a disadvantaged community.</p> <p>Active Opportunities Inc's mission is to;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Organise a range of accessible and progressive sports coaching programs for people with a disability and from disadvantaged communities.- Provide support and assistance to local organisations that are interested to work with people who have a disability.- Provide a support network for participants and their families- Increase confidence, self-esteem and skills of participants.
AMOUNT REQUESTED:	\$3,600
PROJECT DESCRIPTION:	<p>MiniRoos Disability Kick-Off Program - The MiniRoos Disability Kick-Off Program is the national introductory football project for boys and girls with a disability aged 5 - 12 years. This program uses short, game-based sessions to introduce the sport of football to children with a disability in a fun and inclusive way. Grassroots football participants are subsequently provided more playing options and opportunities to try the world game. Active Opportunities Inc will be implementing the MiniRoos Disability Kick-Off Program at Lindfield Sports Centre. The implementation of the program will be completed over two school term periods commencing in February 2018 to be completed in June 2018.</p> <p>The program will be delivered on Saturday mornings for one hour, for a duration of 8 weeks per school term. This type of environment teaches the fundamentals of a sport in a fun, engaging and inclusive environment that suit the needs of children with a disability to participate in regular physical activity.</p>
PREVIOUS GRANTS:	No
2016 ACQUITTAL FORM RECEIVED?	N/A
COMMENTS:	<p>Active Opportunities Inc is seeking support for the delivery of the MiniRoos Disability Kick-Off Program at Lindfield Sports Centre on Saturday mornings. The program will introduce football to children aged 5 - 12 years who have a disability. The program aims to provide children with an opportunity to increase their access to programs that enable them to participate in regular inclusive structured sport. It will provide children with a disability an opportunity to develop fundamental social skills, confidence and self-esteem whilst being active and healthy. The MiniRoos Kick-Off Program has a game-sense philosophy of sport participation that are player-centred, utilising interactive and fun games rather than technical drills.</p> <p>The program has already been successfully delivered in Northern Beaches LGA with many of the attendees expressing an interest in a Ku-ring-gai LGA-based option. Active Opportunities Inc conducted a needs analysis at St Lucy's School Oval which identified 30 local parents that require opportunities for their children to participate in football. For carers, the program will provide a mechanism for respite as program participants will be under supervision in a fun and safe environment. Currently there are only two clubs within Northern Sydney that provide opportunities for children with an intellectual disability and/or physical disability to participate in football.</p>

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AMOUNT RECOMMENDED: **\$2,500**

SPECIFIC PURPOSE: A contribution towards the delivery of the MiniRoos Disability Kick-Off
Program at Lindfield Sports Centre

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ORGANISATION NAME:	Evangelical Free Church of Australia
ORGANISATION BACKGROUND:	<p>Evangelical Free Church of Australia is a medium sized church with an aim is to equip and build up people to be passionate disciples of Jesus with the purpose of impacting the world for Him.</p> <p>The English congregation has approximately 160 members. The 11:00am service is held at East Lindfield and the 5:00pm service is located at Gordon Library meeting rooms.</p> <p>They want to make a difference in the surrounding community meeting different multicultural groups, the needs of parents, children, youth and seniors. It's about gathering all these age demographics together to celebrate the season of Christmas together.</p> <p>They wish to start this community Christmas carols and family fun day event with St Peter's Anglican in Tryon Road East Lindfield. This has never been done on a large scale before, rallying the surrounding community together. They are collaborating with the local businesses opposite the church for in-kind support. There are already good relationships with many of the shops and the event will only lead to further exposure including the markets that run once a month.</p>
AMOUNT REQUESTED:	\$5,000
PROJECT DESCRIPTION:	<p>Christmas Carols and Family Fun Day - This is an event to break even. Not a fundraising event.</p> <p>It will be a Christmas carols and family fun day event for all of the Ku-ring-gai community. It will kick off with various carnival fun activities for children, adults and seniors. They are planning to have possibly the noodle market again, jumping castle, coffee van, petting zoo, camel/donkey rides, face painting, balloon animals, crafts, kid's corner, sausage sizzle, games, with Christmas carols as the finale. It will be held outside on church premises where people can mingle and enjoy the festive atmosphere.</p> <p>In April the church held its first 'Noodle Market' event and the community was invited. They cooked a range of noodle dishes, as well as having a jumping castle, face painting, balloon animals and trivia night. It was an absolute success of rallying the surrounding community to come along and join in the event. Therefore they would like to run a similar event around Christmas.</p>
PREVIOUS GRANTS:	No
2016 ACQUITTAL FORM RECEIVED?	N/A
COMMENTS:	<p>The Evangelical Free Church of Australia is seeking support for a Christmas carols and family fun day planned for December 2017 at St Peter's Anglican Church. The event will be open to the general community and will include a variety of children's entertainment, noodle markets, farm animals and Christmas carols.</p> <p>The Church holds weekly services in East Lindfield and Gordon with a membership of approximately 160 people. The proposed event will also involve collaborating with local businesses located adjacent to the Church. The objective is to encourage children, young people, families and seniors to join together and share community spirit. They are hoping to encourage engagement of the general community in this project as well as people connected to their play-groups, tai-chi, table tennis, boy's brigade etc.</p>

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AMOUNT RECOMMENDED: **\$2,500**

SPECIFIC PURPOSE: A contribution towards a Christmas Carols and Family Fun Day.

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ORGANISATION NAME:	Fighting Chance Australia
ORGANISATION BACKGROUND:	<p>Fighting Chance designs, builds and scales social enterprises which offer long-term solutions to pressing issues facing Australians with disability and their families.</p> <p>We work with our community to identify the challenges, hurdles and barriers faced by people with disability in their everyday lives, and then design and build sustainable social businesses which resolve these issues.</p> <p>In our first six years of work, we have designed, built and then begun to scale two social businesses that generate a range of vocational and social participation opportunities for people with disability.</p> <p>Within these businesses we run:</p> <p>The Internship Program: providing vocational experience, training and skills development opportunities to school leavers and adults with significant disability who would otherwise be excluded from participation in the working world.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The Work Experience Program: providing tailored, supported work placements to young people with disability who are so often left out of the process of transitioning from school to work.• The School Leavers Employment Support Program: providing a tailored curriculum to prepare recent school leavers for working life and build their skills in preparation for employment.• Open Employment: providing immediate jobs and transitional pathways into mainstream employment for people with mild and moderate disability.
AMOUNT REQUESTED:	\$4,500
PROJECT DESCRIPTION:	<p>The Fighting Chance Work Experience Program - For many students with disability, the search for employment can be a time of discrimination and exclusion. Many schools report struggling to find work experience placements, which are adapted for or willing to take, students with complex support needs. In our experience, long-term unemployment begins for young adults with disability at this point, when they are actively told that work is not for them, and are not afforded access to the same work readiness opportunities the rest of us take for granted. Work experience is an important rite of passage; a few weeks spent in a working environment can provide a student with his or her first real insight into the realities of working life and perhaps, their future career.</p> <p>The Fighting Chance Work Experience Program is run to benefit these school students with disability who would otherwise have very limited opportunities to gain experience in a workplace through traditional employment pathways. The Program is based in Fighting Chance's social enterprises (Avenue and Jigsaw) which both exist in order to create a range of vocational opportunities for people with disability.</p>
PREVIOUS GRANTS:	NO
2016 ACQUITTAL FORM RECEIVED?	N/A
COMMENTS:	<p>Fighting Chance Australia is seeking assistance to deliver a work experience program for students with a disability. The program serves as a pathway into other learning and training programs, potentially leading to employment through the organisation's social enterprises. Participants will build a range of professional and interpersonal skills e.g. typing, emailing, data entry, digitisation, document management, social skills and public</p>

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speaking whilst being supported within a business enterprise. Students conduct a pre-program skills analysis and qualitative surveys to assess their level of competency against a set of basic skills and are again assessed at the conclusion of the program against the same skills. Contact is also maintained with participants to understand their journey and post program outcomes.

The program also offers positive benefits for families and the wider network of students. This includes the provision of respite for parents and the ability for parents of participants to form informal support networks. The long term benefits include attaining improved workplace skills and heightened sense of confidence about post school prospects.

AMOUNT RECOMMENDED:

\$2,800

SPECIFIC PURPOSE:

A contribution towards a work experience program for students with disability from Ku-ring-gai.

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ORGANISATION NAME:	KU West Pymble Preschool
ORGANISATION BACKGROUND:	<p>KU West Pymble Preschool is a not-for-profit preschool, providing high quality education and care for preschool children and their families residing in the Ku-ring-gai LGA, including active inclusion of children with additional needs. Our play-based learning philosophy and our qualified early childhood staff create programs based on current research and practice, coupled with decades of experience.</p> <p>KU West Pymble Preschool strives to provide every family access to affordable, high quality early education and care for their children by engaging them in social and cultural experiences that reflect respect and integration. We aim to offer a space that is welcoming to children and families and where children, families and educators feel a sense of belonging; where children are supported and free to engage in play, to learn and to build trusting relationships; and where individual interest, diverse ways of living and being, and personal learning styles are valued and respected.</p> <p>KU West Pymble Preschool's objectives are to;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Become the most preferred provider of early education and care services in the local community.• Be the most trusted and respected organisation to families, communities, educators, the media and policy makers on early childhood education and care.• Become an employer of choice.
AMOUNT REQUESTED:	\$1,100
PROJECT DESCRIPTION:	<p>Beautification of Council land at entrance to KU West Pymble Preschool - To improve the appearance and usability of the Council land located at the physical entrance of KU West Pymble Preschool which forms part of the Ku-ring-gai Bicentennial Park.</p> <p>A picnic table to replace the broken bench platform would not only make a connection with the preschool but allow the community to engage.</p>
PREVIOUS GRANTS:	No
2016 ACQUITTAL FORM RECEIVED?	N/A
COMMENTS:	<p>KU West Pymble Pre-School is seeking assistance to purchase a picnic table to replace a broken bench platform. The current entrance to the Pre-school is not inviting, the bench platform is falling apart and the grass is overgrown. The picnic table will compliment the artwork on an existing water tank and create a sense of connection between the car park, community hall and pre-school building. By providing an inviting environment, children and families can interact and enjoy the natural environment. Facility improvements and beautification of the area will engage the community and encourage greater utilisation. The bench will be accessible to everyone using the Pre-school and community hall.</p> <p>KU West Pymble Pre-School has applied for grant funding under the Small Equipment and Community Arts Cultural categories of the Ku-ring-gai Community Grants Program.</p>

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AMOUNT RECOMMENDED: **\$1,100**

SPECIFIC PURPOSE A contribution towards purchase of a picnic table.

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ORGANISATION NAME:	Ku-ring-gai Community Workshop 'The Shed' Inc.
ORGANISATION BACKGROUND:	The Shed aims to provide a multi-disciplined environment for men and women to gather together, improve their well-being and health, reduce social isolation and improve social inclusion within the community.
AMOUNT REQUESTED:	\$3,000
PROJECT DESCRIPTION:	Ku-ring-gai Community Workshop Cooking Group - To provide members of The Shed the opportunity to gain and develop cooking skills in order to cook healthy, interesting and nourishing meals. The result will be a sense of camaraderie amongst participants, social inclusion and a reduction in social isolation. The primary target group are males who are widowers, males supporting a sick partner and separated males with limited cooking skills.
PREVIOUS GRANTS:	Yes - 2016
2016 ACQUITTAL FORM RECEIVED?	Yes
COMMENTS:	The Community Workshop is applying for funding which will enable the cooking program to continue. This will allow the Shed to support and encourage local seniors to maintain their independence by way of participating in these regular cooking classes. The aim is to develop sufficient skills to prepare a menu, purchase the ingredients, prepare and cook healthy, interesting and nourishing meals for themselves and/or their partners. Many of the participants are caring for someone with a diagnosis of dementia or ill health and this program not only provides an up skilling of their abilities, but it also builds self confidence in their own capabilities.
AMOUNT RECOMMENDED:	\$2,500
SPECIFIC PURPOSE:	A contribution towards the Ku-ring-gai Community Workshop cooking classes.

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ORGANISATION NAME:	Ku-ring-gai Division St John Ambulance NSW
ORGANISATION BACKGROUND:	<p>Ku-ring-gai Division of St John Ambulance is a group of volunteers that provide first aid services to the community in Ku-ring-gai and surrounding areas at events such as Australia Day at Bicentennial Park, Festival on the Green, Skate and Band youth events, school athletics carnivals and the Medieval Faire.</p> <p>Our mission is to provide a superior first aid service to the community by furthering our member's skills and experience. We have a focus on encouraging and training new members.</p>
AMOUNT REQUESTED:	\$2,920
PROJECT DESCRIPTION:	<p>Team Alpha - Save A Life - The large community events we attend have a high risk of some participants suffering breathing or heart problems. To manage these risks and to fully utilise our keen volunteers we need to purchase another set of oxygen resuscitation and defibrillator life saving devices.</p> <p>Due to community demand we have grown fourfold since we started just over 12 months ago. This rapid growth has stretched the availability of our existing oxygen resuscitation and defibrillator equipment.</p>
PREVIOUS GRANTS:	No
2016 ACQUITTAL FORM RECEIVED?	N/A
COMMENTS:	<p>The Ku-ring-gai Division St John Ambulance NSW is seeking assistance to purchase oxygen resuscitation and defibrillator life saving devices to accommodate the four-fold increase in demand for first aid services over the past 12 months. This increasing demand for local community first aid services has resulted in growth from a division of 7 in November 2015 to 26 in November 2016 and currently over 35 members. Since their inception in November 2015 they have provided first aid services to 162 events.</p> <p>Life saving devices are utilised by volunteer officers to assist members of the community who suffer breathing or heart problems. St Johns risk assessments have indicated a requirement for oxygen resuscitation devices and defibrillators to be made available at community events. The Ku-ring-gai Division of St John Ambulance will also be making a contribution through their fundraising efforts and Council support will enable them to purchase the equipment without further delay. The equipment will also be used to train new volunteers thus increasing their service delivery capacity Through community donations St John's will be able to purchase consumables such as defibrillator pads, batteries and oxygen masks.</p>
AMOUNT RECOMMENDED:	\$2,920
SPECIFIC PURPOSE:	A contribution towards purchase of a oxygen resuscitation and defibrillator life saving devices.

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ORGANISATION NAME:	Ku-ring-gai Stealers Baseball League Inc
ORGANISATION BACKGROUND:	<p>Ku-ring-gai Stealers Baseball League Inc is a friendly and well organised, Baseball and Softball club, located on the upper north shore of Sydney, Australia.</p> <p>Approaching our 40th anniversary in 2017, Stealers was Awarded the inaugural 'Baseball Australia Club of the Year 2006' award and is now a 500 member strong club providing the opportunity for children and adults to play the game of Baseball and Softball.</p> <p>Boys and girls from ages 5 to 17 are welcome in Baseball as well as senior players and girls and Ladies are welcome in Softball</p> <p>In Baseball, our junior players start by playing Aussie Tball (Modified Baseball) from under 5's to under 7s.</p> <p>From ages 8 and 9 they play Zooka ball using a pitching machine. This also includes U10 players that are not graded into the A team.</p> <p>From ages 10 'A's' to 18 they play live pitch baseball. U19's and over play senior baseball.</p> <p>Stealers also offer a seniors competition for players aged 16 and upwards. Softball is played in winter on a Saturday with most games played at the Village Green, St Ives</p> <p>All training happens at our home ground at Esk St, Wahroonga.</p>
AMOUNT REQUESTED:	\$4,800
PROJECT DESCRIPTION:	<p>Leadership and Mentoring Program - This project is aimed at providing 6 of our more senior junior (15-16) the opportunity to lead and develop the youngest players in the club (4-5yo).</p> <p>Turning up every Saturday morning 8am - 1000am they will support the development of these individuals and teams through relationship building and guided communication.</p> <p>Not only assisting with baseball activities, it will be more focussed on developing these young athletes to become roles models for future players, good team members, and what it is like to be members of a functioning team.</p> <p>The older players (target of the program) will use their emotional intelligence and interpersonal skills to develop relationships with each of the players in their designated team. They will monitor progress and address and learning issues or skill development.</p> <p>They will also acknowledge positive contributions of all players and identify areas of improvement within themselves.</p> <p>There will be a senior member of the Committee present each week to monitor their progress.</p> <p>These 6 players will be involved in the program for the 20 week season and be paid \$20 per hour for 2 hours per week (total \$4800)</p>
PREVIOUS GRANTS:	No
2016 ACQUITTAL FORM RECEIVED?	N/A
COMMENTS:	<p>The Ku-ring-gai Stealers Baseball League are seeking assistance to deliver a peer-to-peer leadership and coaching program for club members. It is proposed for adolescent members to mentor the youngest players in the Club (4 - 5 year olds).</p> <p>The key objective of the project is to develop the skills of local young club</p>

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members by way of peer-to-peer mentoring with anticipated broader positive flow-on effects to other aspects of the community. These “young leaders” are expected to make further contributions to their schools and other community organisations through the training and skills acquired from the Program. The Program will focus on areas such as leadership, conflict resolution, mentoring, role modelling, self evaluation and awareness. The strategy used by the Club is aimed at attracting new families to baseball by creating a positive and safe environment for entry level children in sport. The Program will also provide young people with employment opportunities and help them feel valued through actively participating in the community. This is a pilot project and the club will seek to continue this program in future through self funding by increased membership, sponsorship and/or partnering with another organisation.

The Ku-ring-gai Stealers Baseball League has also applied for grant funding under the Small Equipment category of the Ku-ring-gai Community Grants Program.

AMOUNT RECOMMENDED:

\$2,500

SPECIFIC PURPOSE:

A contribution towards Leadership and Mentoring Program.

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ORGANISATION NAME:	Lindfield Bowling Club
ORGANISATION BACKGROUND:	<p>Lindfield Bowling Club is a focal point in the local community for older people a number of whom reside in nearby retirement villages and who visit to partake in club activities including lawn bowls, bridge and community meetings.</p> <p>Many bowling clubs Australia wide show decreasing membership numbers, and to this end we wish to enhance our future prospects by inviting other clubs and their members to join with us to keep the game alive, and continue to provide a healthy and friendly venue for our North Shore residents.</p> <p>Roseville Bowling Club will be 'closing their doors' and will be joining up with us in the near future. To this end there will be a 'de-commissioning ' of the Roseville premises and the transfer of utilities such as benches, shade screens etc.to Lindfield. This will be done by professional workmen specialising in their removal and re-construction.</p> <p>To this end, we are making application for a grant to assist in financing the successful transition.</p>
AMOUNT REQUESTED:	\$5,000
PROJECT DESCRIPTION:	Lindfield Roseville Bowling Club Merger - re-commissioning and transfer of sunshades and benches and ancillary equipment from Roseville to Lindfield
PREVIOUS GRANTS:	No
2016 ACQUITTAL FORM RECEIVED?	N/A
COMMENTS:	<p>Lindfield Bowling Club is seeking assistance for the Lindfield Roseville Bowling Club Merger project. The proposal is to transfer sunshades, benches and ancillary equipment from Roseville Bowling Club to Lindfield Bowling Club. It is hoped that the newly merged Clubs operating in the East Lindfield premises will enhance the future prospects of bowling on the North Shore.</p> <p>The 'de-commissioning, transportation and reconstruction of equipment (benches, shade screens etc.) from the Roseville Bowling Club to Lindfield Bowling Club premises is not supported for funding. This is an operational expense that should be funded by the Clubs and not directly linked to the objectives of the Ku-ring-gai Community Grants Program.</p> <p>Under the Ku-ring-gai Community Grants Program guidelines groups are not eligible to apply for the same project under different categories. Lindfield Bowling Club has also applied for the Lindfield Roseville Bowling Club Merger project under the Small Equipment category.</p> <p>This information was clearly communicated to community groups at the Ku-ring-gai Community Grants Program Information Workshop and groups were encouraged to seek advice on projects if they were unclear regarding eligibility criteria.</p>
AMOUNT RECOMMENDED:	\$Nil
SPECIFIC PURPOSE:	N/A

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ORGANISATION NAME:	Northside Community Forum Limited
ORGANISATION BACKGROUND:	Northside is a non-profit organisation providing services in the community of Northern Sydney Local Government Area. Northside supporting 90,000 people with disability, people with mental illness and older people and their carers to choose their support needs through a range of direct and brokered services that best suit the individual's goals, budget and lifestyle requirements. Northside coordinates and partners with a range of specialist and high quality services which gives people greater choice and enhances their independence and well-being.
AMOUNT REQUESTED:	\$5,000
PROJECT DESCRIPTION:	Information Technology Training for people living with disability - DARTS - Northside is providing Information Technology training to our clients living with disability. With our recent feedback survey, its been reported that people living with disability could become well trained technology users if we provide customised disability enablement training focussing on capacity building. With the training provision our clients utilising our DARTS (Disabled Alternative Road Travel Service) will be well versed to access NDIS information online, make safe online purchases for day to day living items and also safe access of social media. Northside is conducting an extensive training followed by practice sessions supported by active volunteers to enable and establish capacity building.
PREVIOUS GRANTS:	No
2016 ACQUITTAL FORM RECEIVED?	N/A
COMMENTS:	<p>Northside Community Forum Limited in partnership with the Cerebral Palsy Alliance and DARTS (Disabled Alternative Road Travel Service) are seeking assistance to provide IT training to clients who are living with a disability. The objective is to enable DARTS participants with mobility and dexterity challenges to access NDIS information online, make safe online purchases and engage with social media. Current funding is not sufficient to contribute to this customised training and DARTS will incorporate the training into the current funded program covering the coordination and social costs. These services enable participants to have greater choice, enhancing their independence and well-being.</p> <p>Northside and Cerebral Palsy Alliance will undertake a detailed feedback and assessment before and after each session and prepare a detailed evaluation of individual clients needs. Northside will utilise this information for planning future sessions and to improve project delivery outcomes. DARTS clients come from the entire Northern Sydney region and only a partial contribution is recommended as funding should also be sought from other Council areas.</p>
AMOUNT RECOMMENDED:	\$2,500
SPECIFIC PURPOSE:	A contribution towards an Information Technology Training program for people living with disability.

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ORGANISATION NAME:	NSW SLASA INC
ORGANISATION BACKGROUND:	<p>NSW SLASA is a community organisation which represents the different Spanish and Latin American communities of NSW.</p> <p>Within the objectives of NSW SLASA is to provide services to immigrants and refugees in order to facilitate their settlement in Australia.</p> <p>Furthermore, NSW SLASA has the responsibility to identify the need of the community and to represent these before various Government departments in order to obtain funds to develop strategies and to establish projects which will help to improve the conditions of the Spanish and Latin American community of NSW. Initially NSW SLASA received a grant from the Community Relations Commission to employ one social worker.</p> <p>Today NSW SLASA has 4 workers and receives funding from the Department of Social Services, Department of Family & Community Services, and different clubs in NSW.</p> <p>In 2014 NSW SLASA started to work with the community in the north of Sydney developing Spanish Communities around Hornsby Shire Council and The Hills Shire Council.</p>
AMOUNT REQUESTED:	\$5,000
PROJECT DESCRIPTION:	<p>Spanish Senior Group - To provide social activities, recreation, information sessions, workshops and excursions to the Spanish Senior Community living in Hornsby and Ku ring gai Council area, with the purpose to reduce social isolation and therefore improve their health and general well being while supporting community building. We are currently working with a Spanish senior group of 20 people approximately and we need financial and economic support from any local government to keep running this project.</p>
PREVIOUS GRANTS:	Yes
2016 ACQUITTAL FORM RECEIVED?	Yes
COMMENTS:	<p>The Spanish and Latin American Association for Social Assistance is seeking assistance to provide social activities, recreation, information sessions, workshops and excursions to the Spanish speaking senior community in the Ku-ring-gai and Hornsby LGA's.</p> <p>Most programs provided by NSW SLASA support members to integrate with Australian society through English language and skills training. However, older parents who had moved to Australia to accompany family found it difficult to learn English, make new friends and settle into a new culture. They feel significantly isolated and alone with a desire to reconnect with their language, cultural identity and community. The range of activities proposed to be run by the group include gentle exercise, craft cooking, use of computers, dancing, excursions, exhibitions and information sessions on health, nutrition, financial advice, local services etc.</p> <p>Approximately 800 Ku-ring-gai residents speak Spanish as their primary language. The project will assist some of these senior residents to become more connected to the language and traditions of their community.</p>
AMOUNT RECOMMENDED:	\$2,000
SPECIFIC PURPOSE:	A contribution towards supporting the activities of the Spanish Senior Group in Ku-ring-gai

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ORGANISATION NAME:	Parkrun Australia
ORGANISATION BACKGROUND:	<p>Parkrun's vision is to create a healthier and happier planet by continually breaking down barriers to participation and bringing people together from all walks of life whenever they want to come along. We believe that by 2023, we will see one million people taking part at parkrun every single weekend across 12,000 global events.</p> <p>Parkrun began with the launch of its first event in Bushy park, Teddington, UK on 2 October 2004. This event had 13 participants. parkrun launched in Australia at Main Beach on the Gold Coast in Queensland in April 2011. In the six years since the first event in Australia, the number of events, volunteers and participants has grown exponentially.</p> <p>Currently, parkrun Australia delivers 227 weekly parkrun events at locations in every state, with additional events launching in new communities almost every week. Each Saturday morning more than 32,000 participants run or walk at a local parkrun. These participants are supported by over 2,200 volunteers who deliver the events. With more than 470,000 runners, walkers and volunteers registered in Australia alone, parkrun is having significant impacts on the physical, mental and social health of the communities we are part of.</p>
AMOUNT REQUESTED:	\$5,000
PROJECT DESCRIPTION:	<p>Wildflower Parkrun - The project will establish Wildflower parkrun - a free, weekly, timed 5km run/jog/walk, open to residents and visitors of St Ives, and the wider Ku-ring-gai Shire Council area. It will provide a community event every Saturday morning where participants can run, walk or volunteer, promoting a healthy lifestyle, positive physical and mental health, and improving social cohesion and connectedness in the community.</p> <p>Please note this project - Wildflower parkrun - has no project end date. This is because Wildflower parkrun has no end date and will continue for as long as the community wants and supports the event. In over 6 years since parkrun launched in Australia, no parkrun event in Australia has ever ceased due to lack of participants or volunteers.</p>
PREVIOUS GRANTS:	No
2016 ACQUITTAL FORM RECEIVED?	N/A
COMMENTS:	<p>Parkrun is seeking assistance to establish a free and inclusive 'parkrun' initiative in the Wildflower Garden. It is a weekly initiative that will continue for as long as there is community interest and participation. Their vision is to create a healthier and happier community by breaking down barriers to participation and bringing together people from all walks of life. These events are inclusive and provide an opportunity for people to improve their physical and mental health. They aim to engage people from all backgrounds, all fitness levels and abilities, ages both as volunteers and participants. It is free to register and participate and there are no upfront or ongoing membership costs or fees. Children must be 4 years old to register but 4 year-olds can be pushed in prams or walk with a participant guardian. All Parkrun events are lead by volunteers who ensure that all events are run according to the guidelines and rules each week. Once a Parkrun is established they are relatively self sustaining and operate with limited additional funding requirements. The nominated Wildflower Garden volunteer parkrun director is a retired honorary Professor in management</p>

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from Macquarie University. The financial assistance sought from Council is to purchase equipment necessary to run the event e.g. stop watches, volunteer vests, flag poles and stakes, first aid kits, cones, storage containers, clip boards, lap top etc.

AMOUNT RECOMMENDED: **\$3,000**

SPECIFIC PURPOSE: A contribution towards the establishment of Wildflower Garden Parkrun.

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ORGANISATION NAME:	Rotary Club of St Ives INC
ORGANISATION BACKGROUND:	<p>The Rotary Club of St Ives INC. provides volunteer services to others; promotes integrity; and advances world understanding, goodwill and peace through our fellowship of business, professional and community leadership. We select projects to support and raise funds through community activities such as the Bobbin Head Cycle Classic, St Ives Food and Wine Festival, Bunnings Sausage sizzles and many others.</p>
AMOUNT REQUESTED:	\$5,000
PROJECT DESCRIPTION:	<p>Dementia Project - The FACTS about Dementia - This is a continuation of our kick-start project of 2016-2017 that was intended to encourage Dementia-Friendly Communities.</p> <p>We successfully hosted 11 free educational workshops for the general public, community leaders and community organisations across the Ku-ring-gai council region. Called – “The FACTS about Dementia”, these events occurred from March to May 2017, and exposed participants to what dementia really is, how it affects individuals and their family caregivers, and educated the community about the facts of dementia, thereby increasing community awareness. The information from these sessions positively impacted the quality-of-life, social inclusion and the ability for individuals with dementia, and their family caregivers to remain active within their local community for as long as possible.</p> <p>Last year’s Community Grant of \$2,500 from Ku-ring-gai Council allowed 262 participants to attend these 11 sessions. Furthermore, due to demand the Rotary Club of St Ives was able to fund an additional 9 sessions throughout June 2017.</p> <p>The overall outcome was 20 sessions where 400+ everyday individuals were taught what they can do to improve the quality-of-life of people-living-with-dementia. With a combination of a maximum Community Grant and our club’s funding activities we aim to expose 1000+ local participants to these events during 2017/18.</p>
PREVIOUS GRANTS:	Yes
2016 ACQUITTAL FORM RECEIVED?	Yes
COMMENTS:	<p>The Rotary Club of St Ives is seeking assistance to continue with its 2016/2017 kick-start project to provide free dementia education workshops to the community. The aims of the Dementia-Friendly Communities project is to increase general awareness and understanding across the community, encourage social inclusion and enhance the ability of individuals with dementia and their care givers to remain active within their community as long as possible. Another component of the program is to continue to educate everyday individuals about how to reduce the risk of developing dementia.</p> <p>The intended outcome of the project is to create a climate for change by creating a sense of urgency and reaching approximately 1,200 residents and 60 local business owners through the workshop program. They also</p>

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hope to inspire other community groups and leaders to join a coalition for a Dementia Friendly Ku-ring-gai. The workshops are free and funds sought from Council will be used for promotion, materials, stationary, venue hire. Approaches for financial assistance have also been made to Rotary International, Bendigo Bank and AMP. Partnership opportunities have also been explored with community organisations, educational institutions, aged care providers, health care providers to raise community awareness around the issue of dementia.

St Ives Rotary is one of a number of organisations that are providing dementia education and encouraging support groups in the community. The emphasis should remain within the business sector which is often hard to reach and sometimes not as responsive as other segments of the community. It is recommended that the focus of Council support and funding for this project continue to be education aimed at the business sector and seeking their active engagement.

AMOUNT RECOMMENDED:

\$2,500

SPECIFIC PURPOSE:

A contribution towards Dementia-Friendly Communities project with a focus on the business sector.

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ORGANISATION NAME:	St James Church Turramurra for branch church Warrawee Anglican
ORGANISATION BACKGROUND:	<p>Warrawee Anglican church which is a branch church of St James Church Turramurra meets in the Warrawee Public School Hall</p> <p>We are a group of residents from Warrawee and surrounding suburbs. Some of us have come to know God through his Son, Jesus, some of us are still checking things out. We are all different ages and come from all different backgrounds. Many of us have kids at Warrawee Public School or Warrawee Playgroup.</p> <p>Our desire is to live as followers of Christ. To love God, love each other and bless our community.</p>
AMOUNT REQUESTED:	\$1,000
PROJECT DESCRIPTION:	A DAY 4 U - Seniors Workshops - Provision of a series of 12 workshops in the Warrawee Public School Hall for seniors, retirees and over 50's to learn new skills or gain knowledge to improve their life style. There will also be the opportunity to connect and build friendships and relationships over refreshments before and after the various sessions.
PREVIOUS GRANTS:	No
2016 ACQUITTAL FORM RECEIVED?	N/A
COMMENTS:	<p>The St James Church provides many outreach programs that cater to the needs of the local community. This new program is seeking to help seniors in the local area to stay connected and hopefully reduce social isolation. The aim is to promote stronger community relationships by strengthening connections between elderly and retired members in the local area.</p> <p>This grant is to assist in funding a day of activities called A DAY 4 U - Seniors Workshops as part of an outreach program. The activities are targeted at seniors with the aim of providing presentations to help learn new skills or gain knowledge whilst at the same time connecting with other seniors in the community. Presentation topics include use of mobile phones, tablets and laptops; organising finances, home maintenance, photography, coping with change and bushwalking.</p> <p>The grant will assist with venue hire, catering, promotion and gifts for the volunteer speakers.</p>
AMOUNT RECOMMENDED:	\$1,000
SPECIFIC PURPOSE:	A contribution towards running A DAY 4 U - Seniors Workshops.

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ORGANISATION NAME:	StreetWork Incorporated
ORGANISATION BACKGROUND:	<p>StreetWork is a not-for-profit, community based organisation that focuses on prevention/early intervention strategies delivered to 'at risk' young people (YP) so that they have the same opportunities as their peers - to grow, achieve their dreams and develop as a person with high self-esteem. StreetWork's mission is to provide innovative and effective services for medium-high 'at risk' YP aged 11-18 affected by crime, mental health issues, social isolation, alcohol/substance abuse, those disengaged from education or with poor employment opportunities.</p> <p>StreetWork has been operating since 1980 and has a proven history of delivering positive, tangible results for YP and the community. The organisation's three branches - North Shore, Northern Beaches and Hornsby-Ku-ring-gai - assist more than 300 YP/pa achieve their goals and turn their lives around through the KickStart Mentoring Program. The organisation also engages with 200 YP/pw via:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Programs – Urban Art• Services – (Police) Youth Advocacy• Outreach – StreetSizzle, StreetFit and 5on5 Basketball <p>StreetWork's programs are all young person-centred and focus on achieving five general objectives:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Reduce offending/re-offending behaviours, substance misuse and other risk taking;2. Increase completion of juvenile justice orders;3. Increase education/training/employment participation;4. Improve self-esteem, social/life skills and personal relationships; and5. Increase engagement with specialist youth services (e.g. counselling).
AMOUNT REQUESTED:	\$5,000
PROJECT DESCRIPTION:	<p>PRIDE Empowerment Program - PRIDE is an 8-week crime prevention and early intervention program that pairs young people that have had contact with the criminal justice system or are 'at risk' of becoming involved in crime, with a positive adult role model. The program will engage with 'at-risk' young people, providing them with opportunities to be mentored in a variety of community settings.</p>
PREVIOUS GRANTS:	Yes
2016 ACQUITTAL FORM RECEIVED?	Yes
COMMENTS:	<p>StreetWork Incorporated are seeking assistance for a youth-focussed crime prevention and early intervention program that will assist young people in the Ku-ring-gai LGA. The objective is to reduce offending and re-offending behaviour by promoting protective factors in young people's lives through social bonding; community involvement; and skill development. It is specifically designed to empower young people by supporting them to create opportunities and personal capabilities.</p> <p>The program will be delivered in partnership with StreetWork mentors, professional psychologists (e.g. Headspace, KYDS) and qualified fitness instructors. Each young person will be engaged in a trusted one-on-one relationship building environment, with the aim of developing the following empowerment skills:</p>

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- Building Rapport
- Ownership, Accountability, Responsibility
- Positive Thinking; Positive People
- Overcoming Fear; Encouraging Failures
- Self-Actualisation; Reward

PRIDE will enable each young person to gain confidence and acquire cognitive/physical skills to assist in turning their lives around. The Program will be delivered as a key skill building module of StreetWork's flagship KickStart Mentoring Program.

The 8 week program will be independently evaluated by Huber Social with success determined by the Social Wellbeing Measurement Framework.

AMOUNT RECOMMENDED:

\$3,000

SPECIFIC PURPOSE:

A contribution towards an 8-week crime prevention and early intervention program for Ku-ring-gai young people.

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ORGANISATION NAME:	Studio ARTES Northside Inc
ORGANISATION BACKGROUND:	<p>Established in 2000, Studio ARTES is a vibrant creative centre for people living with disabilities, with approximately 150 members actively attending sessions each week in the arts centre in Hornsby.</p> <p>We give people living with disability opportunities to participate in artistic, creative and recreational activities. We are well established in the community through the support of business, local community groups, volunteers, the arts sector and government.</p> <p>Studio ARTES fills a vital gap in services for people living with disability with access to high quality creative arts. Creative arts empower people with disability and allow them to boost their self esteem, sense of accomplishment, resilience, communication and provides an opportunity for self expression.</p> <p>Studio ARTES is not-for-profit and a registered NDIS Provider. Our staff are experienced, leading artists, creatives and disability professionals. Our Board is made up of key stakeholders in the not for profit and business community, including our cofounder Wendy Escott, awarded an OAM for services to the disability community.</p>
AMOUNT REQUESTED:	\$5,000
PROJECT DESCRIPTION:	<p>If I Could: Community Awareness about People with Disabilities - This project is a education and awareness live performance event which includes multi-media. The event explores the issues and challenges that people living with disability have, through the answer to "IF I COULD...". This project builds on an existing film segment called IF I COULD, which was created for the 2017 Studio ARTES performance called Minutes to Memories. This was a documentary film about 5 members of Studio ARTES who explained what they would do if they could. The answers were things like swimming like Ian Thorpe, or running to the post box, or going back to change the day they had a brain injury.</p> <p>A live performance will will also show the films, share the hopes and aspirations of people living with disability with the wider community. The event will be documented and shared digitally in the community.</p> <p>The result of the event will also be to create a stand-alone, multi-media performance that can be replicated in a variety of situations. After the event there will be a question and answer session about some of the issues raised with members and staff.</p>
PREVIOUS GRANTS:	Yes - 2016
2016 ACQUITTAL FORM RECEIVED?	Yes
COMMENTS:	<p>Studio ARTES Northside Inc is seeking assistance to deliver a live performance event named the 'If I could...' project. The event will use creative mediums to educate the wider community about the lives of people who live with a disability. A live performance will will also show the films, share the hopes and aspirations of people living with disability with the wider community. The event will be documented and shared digitally in the community.</p> <p>In their application form Studio ARTES Northside Inc answered No to the following questions:</p>

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"If your organisation is offered a grant less than the amount you have requested, would you be able to proceed with your project?"

"Has an application for funding been made to other bodies or levels of government"

In the budget supplied for this project it is not clear what if any contribution Studio ARTES Northside Inc would be making to this project. As only 20% of the Studio ARTES membership resides in the Ku-ring-gai area and an application has not been made to other funding bodies we do not recommend any funding for this project.

Studio ARTES Northside Inc has also applied for funding under the Arts Cultural category of the Ku-ring-gai Community Grants Program.

AMOUNT RECOMMENDED:

\$Nil

SPECIFIC PURPOSE:

N/A