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**CATEGORY 2: COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**

	Name of Organisation	Amount Sought	Amount Recommended
1	Cerebral Palsy Alliance	\$4,181.02	\$4,181
2	Australian International Sports Organisation Pty Ltd	\$3,000.00	\$2,500
3	The Uniting Church in Australia Property Trust (NSW) on behalf of UCA - Gordon – Pymble Uniting Church	\$5,000.00	\$3,000
4	Hornsby Ku-ring-gai Domestic Violence Network	\$5,000.00	\$3,000
5	Ku-ring-gai Little Athletics Centre inc	\$5,000.00	\$3,000
6	Phoenix House Youth Services	\$5,000.00	\$3,000
7	Nutrition Australia NSW	\$4,705.00	Nil
8	Rotary Club of Wahroonga Incorporated	\$4,500.00	\$3,500
9	KLAP Australia	\$1,190.00	\$1,190
10	St Swithun's Anglican Church Pymble	\$3,768.00	\$3,000
11	Parkinson's NSW-Hornsby Ku-ring-gai Parkinson's Support Group	\$1,000.00	\$1,000
12	UCA - Roseville Congregation	\$5,000.00	Nil
13	Ryde/Hunters Hill Child and Family Interagency	\$5,000.00	Nil
14	Active Opportunities Incorporated	\$2,700.00	\$2,700
15	Hornsby Gang Show	\$5,000.00	Nil
16	StreetWork Australia Limited	\$5,000.00	Nil
17	1st North Turramurra Scouts group	\$5,000.00	\$1,500
18	Playgroup NSW Inc./on behalf Pymble Playgroup	\$4,500.00	Nil
19	CASS Care Ltd	\$4,300.00	\$3,500
20	Ku-ring-gai Branch of MS Support Group	\$5,000.00	\$4,000
21	The Shepherd Centre	\$2,957.50	\$2,262
	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$86,801.52</b>	<b>\$41,333</b>

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<b>ORGANISATION NAME:</b>	<b>1. Cerebral Palsy Alliance</b>
<b>ORGANISATION BACKGROUND:</b>	<p>Cerebral Palsy Alliance (CPA) has been supporting people with cerebral palsy and other neurological disabilities for 75 years. Started by a group of families with children with disability, it was the first organisation of its kind in the world and is the oldest of its type globally. Our vision is an inclusive society for all Australians with disability, made possible by a dedicated focus on positively changing the lives of people living with disability. We help babies, children, teenagers and adults living with disability to lead the most comfortable, independent and inclusive lives possible. We support people with disability with services including regular CP check-ups, early childhood intervention, equipment clinics, going to school support, occupational therapy, physiotherapy, speech pathology, intensive therapy programs, social skills programs and technology, aids and equipment support. In Ku-ring-gai, we have the St Ives Lifestyles Centre, supporting people with disability with community access. This project is consistent with CPA's history of supporting the health and well-being of people with disability of all ages.</p>
<b>AMOUNT REQUESTED:</b>	\$4,181.02
<b>PROJECT DESCRIPTION:</b>	<p><b>Project Green Expansion - accessible gardening for adults with disability</b> – Since 2017, Project Green has enabled adults with disability to participate in growing and harvesting produce at accessible garden beds at the St Ives Lifestyles Centre. Clients plant, tend and harvest the produce, which is either sold or used on-site in the Lifestyles cooking programs. Project Green is incredibly popular with clients, staff and the community, and is an important opportunity for adults with disability to gain new skills, socialise, participate in a meaningful, long-term activity, and gain personal satisfaction from seeing their hard work come to fruition. Gardening is known to have many benefits for both physical and mental health, including improving fine motor ability and physical strength, and contributing to relaxation.</p>
<b>PREVIOUS GRANTS:</b>	Nil
<b>2019 ACQUITTAL FORM RECEIVED?</b>	N/A
<b>COMMENTS:</b>	<p>The Cerebral Palsy Alliance is seeking financial assistance to deliver the Project Green Program that provides social and recreational activities to 43 adults with disability. Financial assistance is sought to purchase four more accessible garden beds, umbrellas, seedlings, and gardening materials. The accessible garden assists people with disabilities to gain new skills, participate in a meaningful way and make social connections. The garden produces food for participants to eat or sell and additional supplies will expand the program and encourage more people with disability to participate.</p> <p>People with disability are some of the most vulnerable in our community and experience barriers to participation in mainstream activities.</p>

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The Program aims to remove those barriers and assist people with disability to access recreational activities and contribute to participants' health and well-being.

Please note The Cerebral Palsy Alliance has also applied for funding under the Small Equipment stream and their application has been recommended for funding.

**AMOUNT RECOMMENDED:**

**\$4,181.00**

**SPECIFIC PURPOSE:**

A contribution towards the purchase of portable garden beds, umbrella, seedlings and gardening equipment

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<b>ORGANISATION NAME:</b>	<b>2. Australian International Sports Organisation Pty Ltd</b>
<b>ORGANISATION BACKGROUND:</b>	<p>Founded in 2018, the Australian International Sports Organisation is a consulting business in the sports industry.</p> <p>We support local sport Clubs/Associations, State and National Sporting Organisations, schools, education providers, government and health providers.</p> <p>Our mission is to drive organisations to achieve their objectives through sport.</p> <p>Our service focuses on three strategic pillars:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Funding Support</li><li>- Strategic Support</li><li>- Program Delivery.</li></ul>
<b>AMOUNT REQUESTED:</b>	\$3,000.00
<b>PROJECT DESCRIPTION:</b>	<p><b>Australian Sports Program</b> – The Australian Sports Program, delivered by the Australian International Sports Organisation (AUSISO), provides an opportunity for International Students and Multicultural Communities to learn about Australia through sport. Participants learn about the importance of sport to Australian society through theory and practical elements. Participants will also be educated on the health and mental benefits of physical activity, enhancing their overall living and study experience in NSW, as well as the opportunity to gain volunteer and work experience opportunities in the sports industry.</p>
<b>PREVIOUS GRANTS:</b>	Nil
<b>2019 ACQUITTAL FORM RECEIVED?</b>	N/A
<b>COMMENTS:</b>	<p>Australian International Sports Organisation Pty Ltd is seeking financial assistance to provide an opportunity for international students to learn about Australia through sport. Participants will be educated on the physical and mental health benefits of sport, enhancing their overall living and study experience in NSW. The project is targeting international students and multicultural communities within the Ku-ring-gai LGA.</p> <p>The Australian Sports Program aims to increase the awareness of the local community to sporting facilities and programs. The project will provide opportunities for volunteering and work experience in the sports industry with State sporting organisations and sport businesses in NSW.</p> <p>Please note, although Australian International Sports Organisation is a for profit organisation. This application was applied for under the Social and Economic Development funding area and encourages local employment and training opportunities.</p>
<b>AMOUNT RECOMMENDED:</b>	<b>\$2,500.00</b>

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**SPECIFIC PURPOSE:**

A contribution towards the Australian Sports Program.  
Conditional: participants to be residing in the Ku-ring-gai area.

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<b>ORGANISATION NAME:</b>	<b>3. The Uniting Church in Australia property Trust (NSW) on behalf of UCA Gordon-Pymble Uniting Church</b>
<b>ORGANISATION BACKGROUND:</b>	<p>Gordon-Pymble Uniting Church is a self-sustaining, local community and proudly part of the Uniting Church of Australia. We are a growing, inclusive activity hub which welcomes people of all ages and cultures, enabling them to pursue interests and ideas as they walk beside each other, exploring the meaning of life in our changing community.</p> <p><b>OUR MISSION</b></p> <p>The Uniting Gordon Community Centre UGCC aims to assist the development of a vibrant, connected, interactive Gordon Community.</p> <p>We are continually improving the UGCC activity hub by listening to new ideas, being responsive to changing needs, including community newcomers, trialling new activities, providing opportunities for social interaction and friendship formation, being open to different suggestions, supporting one another, providing opportunities for volunteers and planning for growth.</p>
<b>AMOUNT REQUESTED:</b>	\$5,000.00
<b>PROJECT DESCRIPTION:</b>	<p><b>New Web Conferencing Technologies</b> – Gordon-Pymble Uniting Church GPUC is committed to building connections within the local community and would like to provide innovative opportunities for our team of volunteers, tenants and local community networks to have the ability to connect people face to face and online concurrently. We want to cater for a post COVID-19 emerging need of community members wanting to engage face to face whilst others who are reluctant or unable to re-engage face to face. GPUC aims to connect isolated people and overcome some of the barriers created by COVID restrictions or accessibility. We believe the current pandemic has permanently altered the future way we offer community connections and we need to be more flexible and inclusive in our service provision.</p> <p>Our proposal outlines a request for funds to purchase web conferencing equipment and resources that encourage and provide people with choices on how they interact within various community activities. This mobile set up has been designed to be used in any of our six meeting rooms which range from medium to large in size</p>
<b>PREVIOUS GRANTS:</b>	2016 - \$1,500.00 2016 - \$2,000.00 2020 – \$5,000.00 COVID-19 Community Organisation Hardship and Assistance Grant
<b>2019 ACQUITTAL FORM RECEIVED?</b>	N/A
<b>COMMENTS:</b>	Gordon – Pymble Uniting Church is seeking assistance to purchase video conferencing equipment in order to provide 'hybrid' group activities, concurrently face-to-face in their meeting rooms and live-on-line using web conferencing technologies. This will allow GPUC to increase their

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community program offerings and to engage those in the community who may be socially isolated or at risk of becoming socially isolated, while keeping vulnerable people safe by allowing them to access the programs from their own home.

The equipment will allow GPUC to overcome some of the barriers created by COVID-19 restrictions, and to cater for the emerging need for a choice of service deliveries post COVID-19.

**AMOUNT RECOMMENDED:**

**\$3,000.00**

**SPECIFIC PURPOSE:**

A contribution towards the purchase of mobile video conferencing equipment such as webcam and speaker, laptop, microphone, monitor and stand, and Apple iPad.

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<b>ORGANISATION NAME:</b>	<b>4. Hornsby Ku-ring-gai Domestic Violence Network</b>
<b>ORGANISATION BACKGROUND:</b>	<p>The Hornsby Ku-ring-gai Domestic Violence Network (HKDVN) comprises of key stakeholders including police, housing, health, and council and DV crises/counselling services. The purpose of the committee is for these agencies to come together and achieve the following aims/objectives;</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Discuss complex DV presentations to services and share practice ideas, response and referral pathway options</li><li>2. Discuss gaps in the community and within services in meeting the needs of victims experiencing domestic and family violence in the Hornsby/Ku-ring-gai area and how the committee might advocate or develop projects, events to reduce these gaps and meet resident's needs.</li><li>3. Increase membership and knowledge and awareness within the committee about DV supports available within the Ku-ring-gai area so that committee members can share these within their own networks and increase opportunity for clients/residents to engage with these services</li><li>4. Guest speakers to education and share knowledge about evidence based best practice for meeting the needs of victims experiencing domestic and family violence.</li></ol>
<b>AMOUNT REQUESTED:</b>	\$5,000.00
<b>PROJECT DESCRIPTION:</b>	<p><b>"There is no excuse for abuse"-a short educational resource film about how residents in Ku-ring-gai can access DV support services—</b></p> <p>The HKDVN would like to make an educational short film showcasing the local domestic violence services across the district so that the community have improved access to information of the supports available to them especially now during COVID . The film would be professionally produced containing short, sharp interviews with about 10 local Domestic Violence support services and would be made available to the community through social media platforms and organised community events (COVID allowing) The committee would use the film to enhance events that already run to generate awareness in the community about domestic violence such as the already successful event #1 minute silence for violence. This event has run for the past 2 years on 4th December during the 16 days of Activism to Stop Violence Against Women campaign. Further details about this event and explanation of how the production of this short film will enhance this project/ event will be discussed further in this application. The film would also be promoted locally and on social media platforms and also in GP waiting rooms on TV screens.</p>
<b>PREVIOUS GRANTS:</b>	Nil
<b>2019 ACQUITTAL FORM RECEIVED?</b>	N/A
<b>COMMENTS:</b>	Hornsby Ku-ring-gai Domestic Violence Network is seeking assistance to develop a short educational resource film about how residents in Ku-ring-gai can access DV support services.



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The project aims to support residents who may be experiencing domestic violence to readily access information and resources.

The resource will also be used by services and organisations to respond in supporting victims of domestic violence. This project will provide a safer pathway for people by strengthening and enhancing community response to victims and their children experiencing violence. This program address an important issue especially due to the increase in reported domestic and family violence during the Covid 19 Pandemic lock downs.

**AMOUNT RECOMMENDED:**

**\$3,000.00**

**SPECIFIC PURPOSE:**

A contribution towards filming and editing for a short educational film and resources.

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<b>ORGANISATION NAME:</b>	<b>5. Ku-ring-gai Little Athletics Centre inc</b>
<b>ORGANISATION BACKGROUND:</b>	<p>KLAC was established in September 1977 and is affiliated with the Little Athletics Association of NSW including KLAC is operated on a not for profit basis with no paid employees. The centre is operated entirely by parents and family members on a voluntary basis. The centre draws on families from the six clubs that form the centre club structure of Gordon, Pymble, West Pymble, St Ives, Turramurra and Wahroonga. The underlying philosophy of little athletes is one of family, fun and fitness. Our centre's goals include insuring our athletes and their families enjoy the participation and friendships at the centre whilst developing and improving the skills and performance of all our athletes, supporting those you complete at higher levels. At all times we ensure athletes and their families operate within a safe environment including well maintained equipment and facilities. This includes catering, communication, results and record keeping equipment. The athletic season operates from mid-September to mid-March the following year with Winter cross country commencing between May and August each year.</p>
<b>AMOUNT REQUESTED:</b>	\$5,000.00
<b>PROJECT DESCRIPTION:</b>	<p><b>Athletics is for everyone</b> – Ku-ring-gai Little Athletics attracts over 550 athletes from over 350 families. We have a diverse membership base representing a wide variety of ancestries. Chinese ancestries represent approximately 20% of the council population but less than 5% of our Little Athletics membership base. Korean and Indian ancestries are also increasing and also represent a small proportion of our membership base. Our goal is to attract families to Little Athletics from ancestries which are underrepresented particularly Chinese. We want our membership base to grow and reflect the diverse multicultural community that is Ku-ring-gai. The health and well-being benefits would be significant in addition to the social benefits We would like to invest in a full website upgrade which will better showcase our value proposition and attract new members from different ethnic groups. In conjunction with the website upgrade we want to run a promotional campaign to encourage families from different ethnic groups to register for Little Athletics.</p> <p>We would include imagery on the site that features our multicultural community and add Google Translate to help make the content more multilingual.</p> <p>We would also look to submit the site to Baidu which is a Chinese search engine and include WeChat</p>
<b>PREVIOUS GRANTS:</b>	Nil
<b>2019 ACQUITTAL FORM RECEIVED?</b>	N/A
<b>COMMENTS:</b>	<p>Ku-ring-gai Little Athletics Centre is seeking financial assistance for a website upgrade and promotional campaign focussing on attracting members and participants from culturally and linguistically diverse communities. The Centre is operated by volunteers and solely rely on their</p>

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support to run the various activities, provide supervision, run canteens, fundraising activities etc.

The website will provide an opportunity to promote their services and encouraging families to participate in community initiatives and physical activity. The Centre attracts over 550 athletes from over 350 families and the project will assist the Centre to grow and reflect the diverse community in Ku-ring-gai.

The project aims to provide services and opportunities to children and families to participate in community activity and assist their health and well-being.

Please note Ku-ring-gai Little Athletics Centre has also applied for funding under the Small Equipment stream and their application has been recommended for funding

**AMOUNT RECOMMENDED:** **\$3,000.00**

**SPECIFIC PURPOSE:** A contribution towards website update and promotional material.

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<b>ORGANISATION NAME:</b>	<b>6. Phoenix House Youth Services</b>
<b>ORGANISATION BACKGROUND:</b>	<p>Phoenix House Youth Services has a successful 35+ years track-record of working with “at risk” young people (aged 15-24), in the Northern Sydney region. We provided alternative education and training pathways, with wraparound support of case management and counselling, to the most challenged young people, delivering life-changing outcomes.</p> <p>Our programs provide solutions for vulnerable young people who are disengaged or at risk of disengaging from education and/or employment. Many of these young people are affected by a number of factors including: family breakdown, drug and or alcohol abuse, mental health issues, domestic violence and homelessness. They will need strong wrap-around support services, which include counselling, case management, employment opportunities, resilience and wellness workshops, family support seminars and recreational activities; this is our core differentiator from other educational and employment services.</p> <p>Phoenix House sees over 300 young people every year; with approximately 60 in core training and educational programs, over 120 in life skills courses and 190 in case management. We collaborate and partner with other local services, such as, Registered Training Organisations, Schools, Family Referral Services, homelessness services, Council youth services, and various other agencies.</p>
<b>AMOUNT REQUESTED:</b>	\$5,000.00
<b>PROJECT DESCRIPTION:</b>	<p><b>Connecting “at-risk” young people with work and community</b> – The project uses a holistic approach to help youth 'at risk' in the Ku-ring-gai LGA, faced with complex needs and multiply barriers to get Work Ready. This is done through community connections, wellbeing programs (such as resilience and life skills programs) in conjunction with work skills workshops and social enterprise activities to equip young people with transferable enterprise skills that they can apply for the career avenues and pathways they are choosing.</p> <p>A key differentiator of the project is the Phoenix House wrap-around support in case management and counselling that helps to address youth anxiety, mental health issues and boost their confidence and self-esteem so they are able to focus on getting those skills.</p> <p>Unfortunately, youth mental health has significantly dropped from the start of the social isolation and it has disengaged the young from employment and community even further.</p> <p>The aim of the program is to re-engage youth within the community by establishing connections, helping them develop practical skills and creating opportunities for their transition into further training and/or employment.</p>
<b>PREVIOUS GRANTS:</b>	2019 - \$5,000.00
<b>2019 ACQUITTAL FORM RECEIVED?</b>	Yes

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**COMMENTS:**

Phoenix House is seeking financial assistance to deliver a program for at-risk young people faced with complex needs and multiple barriers. The project will deliver work skills workshops and social enterprise activities to equip young people with skills that they can apply to their lives. The aim of the project is to re-engage young people within the community by establishing connections, helping them develop practical skills and creating opportunities for their transition into further training and employment.

The project also provides assistance to the young person's family, through the provision of parenting workshops, which will help reduce the pressure on families caused by the social isolation and disengagement.

Please note Phoenix House has also applied for funding under the Small Equipment stream and their application has been recommended for funding.

**AMOUNT RECOMMENDED:**

**\$3,000.00**

**SPECIFIC PURPOSE:**

A contribution towards 'Connecting at-risk Young People Program' for young people in the Ku-ring-gai LGA.

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<b>ORGANISATION NAME:</b>	<b>7. Nutrition Australia NSW</b>
<b>ORGANISATION BACKGROUND:</b>	Nutrition Australia aims to inspire and empower health eating in all Australians. This mission is achieved by; 1. Providing scientific information on key nutrition issues 2. Producing and disseminate material on nutrition to policy makers, the media, educators, food industry and consumers 3. Acting as consultants to government departments, food industry and consumer groups as required on issues related to food and nutrition 4. Encouraging innovation in the dissemination of nutritional knowledge.
<b>AMOUNT REQUESTED:</b>	\$4,705.00
<b>PROJECT DESCRIPTION:</b>	<b>Sustainable Bites For Families</b> – Sustainable Bites has been developed to align with Ku-ring-gai Council's key priority of Environment and Sustainability. The program's aim is to increase the awareness of the need for sustainable eating practices to families and children and inspire them to adopt sustainable practices at home. Our program also aligns with the NSW education curriculum (NESA K-10 Curriculum Framework and Statement of Equity Principles), which has sustainability as a cross curriculum priority. An accredited practicing dietitian will deliver a one hour interactive seminar after school hours at primary schools to both parents and their children. We are requesting funds to deliver sessions at 10 primary schools within Ku-ring gai council.
<b>PREVIOUS GRANTS:</b>	Nil
<b>2019 ACQUITTAL FORM RECEIVED?</b>	N/A
<b>COMMENTS:</b>	<p>Nutrition Australia is seeking assistance to deliver interactive seminars to ten Ku-ring-gai primary schools increasing awareness to families and children regarding sustainable eating practices.</p> <p>This project is not considered a priority under the Community Development stream and is more closely aligned with Council's Environmental Levy Small Grants Program. Discussions have been held with Nutrition Australia and they will be informed of the Environmental Grants application process. Council's Environment and Sustainability Team has also been contacted to discuss whether any practical assistance can be provided to the Sustainable Bites for Families Project.</p>
<b>AMOUNT RECOMMENDED:</b>	Nil
<b>SPECIFIC PURPOSE:</b>	N/A

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<b>ORGANISATION NAME:</b>	<b>8. Rotary Club of Wahroonga Incorporated</b>
<b>ORGANISATION BACKGROUND:</b>	<p>Rotary is a global network of 1.2 million members who see a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change across the globe, in its communities, and in itself. The Rotary Club of Wahroonga, has been established for more than 40 years, and now has over 60 members. The club's purpose is to pursue the objectives of Rotary, carry out service projects, strengthen membership, support The Rotary Foundation, and develop leaders beyond the club level.</p> <p>Rotary has a long history with recognising individuals and organisations who have rendered outstanding service to the community. Examples include the Community Service Awards presented by many Rotary clubs around the globe and the Rotary Emergency Services Community Awards presented by Rotary in NSW.</p> <p>These organisations and people have found ways to keep themselves and each other safe without walking away from the focus of caring for each other. This does not just need to be in times of need, but this time of need has highlighted the vital importance of a connected community. This project will complement the connections that Wahroonga Rotary has within our community, through its numerous projects and activities.</p>
<b>AMOUNT REQUESTED:</b>	\$4,500.00
<b>PROJECT DESCRIPTION:</b>	<p><b>Wahroonga Rotary Community Caring Awards</b> – The Wahroonga Rotary's Community Caring Award identifies volunteers who give outstanding support to community activities, the people who knit community together by their support of their neighbours and their community organisations. When we are under pressure or caring for another, self-care is often the first thing to go but self-care is imperative in long-term mental and physical health for carers.</p> <p>These awards will build more awareness of the work volunteers do within the community. At a time when people are looking inward and keeping themselves safe, there are others who are aware of the dangers and challenges associated with isolation. Although these awards are not exclusively to do with Social isolation restrictions, they are a large part of the nominations we have received to date.</p> <p>Wahroonga Rotary has developed criteria for these awards and award recipients will be given a framed certificate and can choose a 'self-care' voucher from providers in the Ku-ring-gai area. For example, a haircut, a massage, a night out at the movies, or a meal at a local restaurant. Each voucher would be sought through businesses in Ku-ring-gai who have supported the Rotary Club of Wahroonga's fundraising initiatives.</p>
<b>PREVIOUS GRANTS:</b>	Nil
<b>2019 ACQUITTAL FORM RECEIVED?</b>	N/A
<b>COMMENTS:</b>	The Rotary Club of Wahroonga are seeking financial assistance to deliver the Community Caring Awards.

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Financial assistance is sought to provide awards, certificates, frames and host an end of year celebration to recognise the work of front line volunteers in the community. The Community Caring Awards are given to volunteers within Ku-ring-gai who have been identified as going above and beyond in supporting vulnerable groups in our community including seniors, people with disability, "young people at risk" etc. Volunteers who have been nominated will receive a certificate and self-care voucher from a provider within Ku-ring-gai. This is also an opportunity to support local business in the area who will be providing the self care services to award recipients.

Funding is recommended for purchase of awards, certificates and frames to recognise the contribution of volunteers.

**AMOUNT RECOMMENDED:** **\$3,500.00**

**SPECIFIC PURPOSE:** A contribution to purchase the award from local businesses, certificates and frames.



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<b>ORGANISATION NAME:</b>	<b>9. KLAP Australia</b>
<b>ORGANISATION BACKGROUND:</b>	<p>KLAP Australia is a nationwide education initiative which helps disadvantaged primary school students get learning assistance in reading (and maths as well in the future) by tapping into the vast volunteer resource potential of city high school students in every state.</p> <p>KLAP's mission is to create a community where schools meet and help each other grow their students to be academically able and socially responsible. Together we build a better world.</p> <p>Our work is to bring primary schools and high schools together in order to connect passionate high school students with disadvantaged primary students in learning (reading), especially in rural and remote areas around the country</p>
<b>AMOUNT REQUESTED:</b>	\$1,190.00
<b>PROJECT DESCRIPTION:</b>	<p><b>KLAP Ku-ring-gai Project</b> – KLAP Ku-ring-gai Project connects Ku-ring-gai high schools with primary schools which have disadvantaged students struggling in reading. KLAP aims to help close the big reading gap between the lowest SES students and the high SES students by tapping into the vast volunteer-reservoir of high school students; it also provides a great opportunity to highschoolers who have the time, energy, and enthusiasm to give back to their communities and helps them attain a sense of purpose in life, especially in times of crisis.</p> <p>According to research, one of the best ways to assist young students' reading is to get them reading-buddies near their age</p>
<b>PREVIOUS GRANTS:</b>	Nil
<b>2019 ACQUITTAL FORM RECEIVED?</b>	N/A
<b>COMMENTS:</b>	<p>KLAP is seeking financial assistance for a project that connects high school students with primary schools which have disadvantaged students that struggle to read. Finances are sought to purchase books, badges for the volunteers, and contribute towards the technology costs of running the program remotely. KLAP Ku-ring-gai is a pilot program with Zonta Club Hornsby and Ku-ring-gai as auspice and Ku-ring-gai high schools such as Knox and Pymble Ladies College initially participating in this innovative program.</p> <p>The project aims to engage 30 high school students to mentor the primary school students. The high school students volunteer their time and become the reading buddies for the struggling students. The project will benefit current students, families and the broader community.</p>
<b>AMOUNT RECOMMENDED:</b>	<b>\$1,190.00</b>
<b>SPECIFIC PURPOSE:</b>	A contribution towards books, zoom subscription and name/recognition badges.

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<b>ORGANISATION NAME:</b>	<b>10. St Swithun's Anglican Church Pymble</b>
<b>ORGANISATION BACKGROUND:</b>	<p>St Swithun's Anglican Church Pymble is an Anglican church catering primarily to the residents of the Ku-ring-gai area.</p> <p>As well as religious services, we provide a wide range of community development activities, and to do require membership of our church or specific religious adherence for participation.</p> <p>These activities are suitable for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• the frail or elderly – exercise classes, mental agility training, computer classes, bridge,</li></ul> <p>craft, social fellowship, simplified midweek worship</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• recent arrivals – English classes, music-based play for children, Chinese-language bible study</li><li>• carers for elderly and frail – carer support group</li><li>• the isolated or lonely – men's breakfasts, women's fellowship, community luncheons</li></ul> <p>The large majority of these are provided as a service to the community at little or no charge and welcome those of any faith or none.</p>
<b>AMOUNT REQUESTED:</b>	\$3,768.00
<b>PROJECT DESCRIPTION:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Computers for seniors</b> – We will partner with Hornsby Ku-ring-gai Community College to offer computer classes on our premises for seniors.</li></ul>
<b>PREVIOUS GRANTS:</b>	2017-18 - \$5,500.00 2018-19 - \$5,000.00 2019-20 - \$5,800.00
<b>2019 ACQUITTAL FORM RECEIVED?</b>	Yes
<b>COMMENTS:</b>	<p>St Swithun's Anglican Church is seeking financial assistance to offer computer classes to seniors at the church premises, in partnership with Hornsby Ku-ring-gai Community College.</p> <p>These classes will give older residents basic computer skills, and the confidence to be able to use technology to connect with others. Developing their competence in computer use will enable older residents to participate more fully in their community during the current COVID-19 situation as well as post-COVID, thereby reducing social isolation among this group.</p> <p>Many of the senior residents are less confident dealing with technology and this program is designed to provide them with basic skills, which will enable them to engage with and participate in the community.</p>

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**AMOUNT RECOMMENDED:**                      **\$3,000.00**

**SPECIFIC PURPOSE:**                              A contribution towards the purchase of Apple ipads.

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<b>ORGANISATION NAME:</b>	<b>11. Parkinson's NSW-Hornsby Ku-ring-gai Parkinson's Support Group</b>
<b>ORGANISATION BACKGROUND:</b>	<p>PARKINSON'S NSW-HORNSBY KU-RING-GAI PARKINSON'S SUPPORT GROUP</p> <p>AIMS AND OBJECTIVES</p> <p>AIM:</p> <p>To provide support both to people living with Parkinson's Disease and their Carers.</p> <p>OBJECTIVES:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. To provide educational sessions to assist both Parkinsonians and Carers to understand Parkinson's Disease.</li><li>2. To improve lifestyles through promoting the various therapies available.</li><li>3. To keep members informed of research being undertaken into Parkinson's Disease.</li><li>4. To assist both sufferers and carers to accept and adapt to Parkinson's Disease.</li><li>5. To provide moral and practical support to all concerned.</li><li>6. To increase awareness of Parkinson's Disease in the general community.</li></ol>
<b>AMOUNT REQUESTED:</b>	\$1,000.00
<b>PROJECT DESCRIPTION:</b>	<p><b>HORNSBY KU-RING-GAI PARKINSON'S SUPPORT GROUP</b></p> <p><b>Communications Project</b> – To assist cover the cost of printing and distributing the Support Group's monthly newsletter and to cover the cost of weekly Zoom meetings for members of our Parkinsong Group.</p> <p>Our weekly Zoom meetings are open to everyone &amp; allow members to share hints of how they are surviving COVID and meet the following Parkinsong aims and objectives:-</p> <p>AIM-To promote and encourage singing for people with Parkinson's disease.</p> <p>OBJECTIVES.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• To provide enjoyment and relaxation for members of the group;</li><li>• To provide a friendly social environment for members;</li><li>• To highlight the therapeutic benefits of singing to people with Parkinson's;</li><li>• Although "Parkinsong" is specifically aimed at people with Parkinson's the group will be open to everyone and there will be no auditions;</li><li>• To further improve the quality of singing of the group;</li><li>• To help members become more self confident singers; and</li><li>• To help members learn how to project and improve their voice and learn how to harmonise.</li></ul>

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**PREVIOUS GRANTS:** 2018 - \$2,000.00  
2019 - \$1,962.00  
2019 - \$1,000.00

**2019 ACQUITTAL FORM RECEIVED?** Yes

**COMMENTS:** Parkinson's support group is seeking financial assistance to cover the cost of zoom subscriptions, DVD's, boxes, printing and posting the support group's monthly newsletter and songs. Parkinson's support groups offer people living with Parkinson's disease advice, information, resources and newsletters. The newsletter contains information on treatments, medications, and how to better support people living with Parkinson's.

The support group has been operational for more than twenty years in Ku-ring-gai/Hornsby and has more than 200 members. Since the COVID-19 restrictions have been in place, the support group has moved to zoom meetings so that they can continue to provide their members access to services and ongoing support.

Over 50 people attend the meetings and the program aims to ensure members do not feel isolated and keeps them informed about developments regarding Parkinson's disease.

**AMOUNT RECOMMENDED:** **\$1,000.00**

**SPECIFIC PURPOSE:** A contribution towards printing and posting the newsletter, cover yearly zoom subscription costs and purchasing DVD's and DVD boxes.

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**ORGANISATION NAME:**

**12. UCA - Roseville Congregation**

**ORGANISATION BACKGROUND:**

Roseville Uniting Church is located in Lord Street Roseville and is a safe place for all people to worship, regardless of age, race, gender, sexuality or ability. We offer a diverse range of activities for children and families, youth and young adults and older people. Roseville Uniting aims to provide community outreach for all residents and for all ages throughout Ku-ring-gai. We aim to be ecumenical in both the style and reach of our various programs.

Our community outreach programs include the following:

Kids Playtime – children from 0 to 5 years

RUCKUS – youth group for years 3 - 6

SPARK - youth group for years 7 – 12

HSC Lock In – year 12

Small Groups – youth, young adults and adults

Roseville Asylum Seeker and Refugee Support Group – young adults to seniors

e-Soc – over 50's

Bridge Club – over 50's

Friday College – seniors

1st Tuesday Coffee Morning – seniors

Special Outreach Events – All age groups

Special Community Services – All age groups

Many of these activities are currently closed due to COVID-19 restrictions.

Roseville Uniting Church is an invitational church embracing all of the community sharing the love and welcome of Jesus Christ..

**AMOUNT REQUESTED:**

\$5,000.00

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:**

**Air Conditioning Roseville Uniting Church** – Roseville Uniting Church is a particularly cold building. The antiquated under-seat heating is totally ineffective and no longer able to be repaired. The wall strip heaters provide very little warmth as the radiant heat quickly disperses into the high cathedral ceiling space. The lack of suitable heating has proved detrimental to parishioners particularly our older church family members many of whom are nonagenarians and this has resulted in very poor attendance numbers during the winter months.

The church is also used for weddings and funerals for both church and non-church goers within the Ku-ring-gai municipality as well as special event and ecumenical services for the local community.

Over the years, the need to provide adequate heating and a level of comfort to worshippers has become readily apparent.

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In the post COVID-19 environment the need to provide a safe, warm and comfortable place to worship will further increase as worshippers return to face to face church.

**PREVIOUS GRANTS:** 2020 - \$1,000.00 Heritage Home Grant

**2019 ACQUITTAL FORM RECEIVED?** Nil

**COMMENTS:** The Roseville Uniting Church Congregation are seeking assistance to install an air conditioning system within their church. The Roseville Uniting Church is a particularly old building and its current heating system is antiquated. Under Ku-ring-gai Community Grants Program guidelines, capital assistance or maintenance of buildings or grounds is not eligible for funding. This information is clearly indicated in the Ku-ring-gai Community Grants Program Guidelines and groups are encouraged to seek advice on a project if they are unclear regarding eligibility criteria.

Please note The Roseville Uniting Church has applied under the Small Equipment stream and have been recommended for funding.

**AMOUNT RECOMMENDED:** Nil

**SPECIFIC PURPOSE:** N/A

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<b>ORGANISATION NAME:</b>	<b>13. Ryde / Hunters Hill Child and Family Interagency</b>
<b>ORGANISATION BACKGROUND:</b>	The Hornsby/Ku-ring-gai Child and Family interagency works collaboratively with community services, and local councils in the Hornsby/Ku-ring-gai council regions. Our purpose is to work together, supporting the local community, sharing information, knowledge and resources. We run projects that support children and families in the local area to be healthy and safe, and seek to increase their understanding of support available close by..
<b>AMOUNT REQUESTED:</b>	\$5,000.00
<b>PROJECT DESCRIPTION:</b>	<b>Art and Craft activity packs</b> - Children and families have been found to be struggling more with connection, and the use of online events. Many of the children local community services have limited access to suitable art and craft. We would like to develop an art/craft pack for 2-5 year olds to distribute in the Hornsby/Ku-ring-gai regions. This would be accompanied by instructions and a YouTube link to demonstrate the purpose of the activity, while also keeping the activity open ended. Local community services would work together to develop a suitable kit, and distribute it to known families they work with in the local area.
<b>PREVIOUS GRANTS:</b>	Nil
<b>2019 ACQUITTAL FORM RECEIVED?</b>	N/A
<b>COMMENTS:</b>	<p>Ryde / Hunters Hill Child and Family Interagency are seeking financial assistance to deliver art and craft packs to support children, families and women from CALD backgrounds in the Ku-ring-gai and Hornsby communities.</p> <p>There is insufficient information provided to clearly identify the community needs and merits of this application in supporting children and families in Ku-ring-gai. It is unclear how the children and families will be selected, local partner organisations and number of art kits to be distributed to the Ku-ring-gai area. The content of the art and craft activity packs and benefits to participants is not clearly defined.</p> <p>From the information supplied this Inter-agency has a greater focus in the Hornsby area, where many of the member organisations are located. The application refers to the auspicing organisation as Relationships Australia NSW.</p>
<b>AMOUNT RECOMMENDED:</b>	Nil
<b>SPECIFIC PURPOSE:</b>	N/A



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<b>ORGANISATION NAME:</b>	<b>14. Active Opportunities Incorporated</b>
<b>ORGANISATION BACKGROUND:</b>	<p>Active Opportunities' mission is to provide accessible sport programs to all children with a disability and its vision is to drive and support quality year-round sports programmes that are embedded in local communities, which are delivered by vibrant and strong leaders for children with a disability from 5 years upwards.</p> <p>Since 2012, Active Opportunities has been delivering inclusive sports programs for children with a disability in Ku-ring-gai Council LGA. Our Lindfield Football4All program has provided over 50 families the opportunity to see their child/ren thrive from a safe, structured and fun sports program.</p> <p>The Football4All program is a fun, inclusive sports session where children with a disability participate in structured physical activity enabling them to develop their fine and gross motor skills as well as their social skills.</p> <p>Active Opportunities Football4All program is delivered with a 1:3 child:parent ratio which caters for the various needs of the children ensuring a supportive environment allowing them to thrive.</p> <p>Active Opportunities has collaborated with Lindfield Football Club and Special Olympics (NSW) allowing pathway opportunities for children with many amazing outcomes from the Football4All program for not only the child who participates but also for their families and the wider Ku-ring-gai community.</p>
<b>AMOUNT REQUESTED:</b>	\$2,700.00
<b>PROJECT DESCRIPTION:</b>	<p><b>Active Opportunities Football4All</b> – Active Opportunities Football4All program is delivered each Saturday morning (during school term) at Lindfield Football Club grounds in Lindfield (West Lindfield recreation centre). The Football4All program is a fun, inclusive sports session where children with a disability aged 5 years and older participate in structured physical activity enabling them to develop their fine and gross motor skills as well as their social skills.</p> <p>Active Opportunities Football4All program is delivered with a 1:3 child:parent ratio which caters for the various needs of the children ensuring a supportive environment allowing them to thrive.</p>

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Active Opportunities has collaborated with Lindfield Football Club and Special Olympics (NSW) allowing pathway opportunities for children with talent to further progress their skills.

There are many amazing outcomes from the Football4All program for not only the child who participates but also for their families and the wider Ku-ring-gai community.

**PREVIOUS GRANTS:**

2018 - \$2,500.00

**2019 ACQUITTAL FORM RECEIVED?**

Nil

**COMMENTS:**

Active opportunities is volunteer based program seeking financial assistance to expand the Football4All program to reach more Ku-ring-gai families. Funds are sought to purchase equipment, uniforms, advertising, venue hire, insurance, and cleaning materials.

The Football4All program is an inclusive sports program for children who have a disability aged 5 and over. Participation in sports for children with disabilities has ongoing physical and mental health benefits and provides families with important connections to their community.

Active Opportunities has been providing inclusive sports programs to residents of the Ku-ring-gai area for over 8 years now and has 20 students enrolled per term. The program aims to provide children with a disability access to safe structured physical activity that benefits their mental health and general well-being.

**AMOUNT RECOMMENDED:**

**\$2,700.00**

**SPECIFIC PURPOSE:**

A contribution towards equipment, uniforms, cleaning material, advertising and venue hire.

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<b>ORGANISATION NAME:</b>	<b>15. Hornsby Gang Show</b>
<b>ORGANISATION BACKGROUND:</b>	<p>Hornsby Gang Show is an annual stage show in the Sydney North Region of NSW Scout Association.</p> <p>It promotes the enjoyment, understanding and development of the performing arts for the youth of Sydney North region. It aims to develop young people's confidence and self-esteem by providing quality, diverse opportunities and inspiring participation in the creation, comprehension and appreciation of the arts</p>
<b>AMOUNT REQUESTED:</b>	\$5,000.00
<b>PROJECT DESCRIPTION:</b>	<b>Kitchen Renovation for Killara Scout Hall (used for set design, building &amp; painting)</b> – Killara Scout Hall is used for the set design, building and painting for Hornsby Gang Show. The kitchen within the hall is in need of a major renovation as it is currently unusable.
<b>PREVIOUS GRANTS:</b>	Nil
<b>2019 ACQUITTAL FORM RECEIVED?</b>	N/A
<b>COMMENTS:</b>	<p>The Hornsby Gang Show are seeking assistance to renovate the kitchen at the Killara Scout Hall. The kitchen is in need of a major renovation and is currently unusable.</p> <p>Under Ku-ring-gai Community Grants Program guidelines, capital assistance or maintenance of buildings or grounds is not eligible for funding. This information is clearly indicated in the Ku-ring-gai Community Grants Program Guidelines and groups are encouraged to seek advice on a project if they are unclear regarding eligibility criteria.</p>
<b>AMOUNT RECOMMENDED:</b>	<b>Nil</b>
<b>SPECIFIC PURPOSE:</b>	N/A

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<b>ORGANISATION NAME:</b>	<b>16. StreetWork Australia Limited</b>
<b>ORGANISATION BACKGROUND:</b>	<p>StreetWork delivers prevention and early intervention strategies to at-risk young people (YP) in the Ku-ring-gai community. StreetWork's mission is to ensure at-risk YP have the same opportunities as their peers, which is to grow, to achieve their dreams, and to develop as a person with a high self-esteem through the delivery of innovative and effective early intervention programs. The organisation supports YP aged 11-18 and seeks to stabilise and/or improve a young person's risk across five key areas:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Mental health;</li><li>2. Suicide and self-harm;</li><li>3. Youth crime;</li><li>4. Early school leavers not engaged in employment; and</li><li>5. Youth homelessness.</li></ol> <p>StreetWork has 40 years experience working with at-risk YP and acts as a "community connector", linking YP to specific youth services providers such as Juvenile Justice, employment agencies, education and counselling services. StreetWork's service delivery aims to improve access to education, training and/or employment as well as assistance in addressing mental health concerns, alcohol or substance misuse and youth crime, which is essential to alleviate long-term disadvantage and promote general wellbeing. StreetWork employs 9 full time, part time and casual staff members and has more than 340 volunteers..</p>
<b>AMOUNT REQUESTED:</b>	\$5,000.00
<b>PROJECT DESCRIPTION:</b>	<p><b>PRIDE Empowerment Program</b> – PRIDE is an eight-week early intervention program that focuses on reducing psychological distress by stabilising and/or improving mental health and overall wellbeing. It is specifically designed to empower YP by supporting them to improve their personal capabilities and ability to respond to psychological stressors. PRIDE improves wellbeing through development skills and tools so that each young person becomes more resilient and reliant on themselves to achieve their goals.</p> <p>PRIDE is delivered in partnership with StreetWork Youth Case Workers, professional psychologists (e.g. KYDS, headspace) and a qualified fitness instructor. Each young person will engage one-on-one with both a youth mentor and trained psychologist, whilst also partaking in a group fitness program. The aim is to develop the following empowerment skills:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Building rapport;</li><li>- Ownership, accountability and responsibility;</li><li>- Positive thinking, positive people;</li><li>- Overcoming fear and failure; and</li><li>- Self-actualisation and reward.</li></ul>

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PRIDE focuses on stabilising and/or improving a young person's exposure to specific risk factors, whilst also working to build protective factors such as familial and community connectedness. A grant of \$5,000 will enable StreetWork to deliver an additional 111 one-on-one mentoring sessions to vulnerable YP in the Ku-ring-gai community.

**PREVIOUS GRANTS:**

2014-15 - \$1,250.00  
2015-16 - \$3,300.00  
2016-17 - \$6,600.00  
2017-18 - \$3,300.00  
2019 - \$2,500.00  
2020 - \$5,000.00

**2019 ACQUITTAL FORM RECEIVED?** Yes

**COMMENTS:**

StreetWork is seeking financial assistance to deliver a program aimed at empowering young people and supporting them to respond to psychological stressors and improve their personal capabilities. The PRIDE program aims to improve mental health and well-being through developmental skills and tools so that each young person becomes more resilient and reliant on themselves to achieve their goals.

This application has not been prioritised for funding as StreetWork has received financial support for this project through Councils COVID-19 Community Organisation Hardship and Assistance Grants Program delivered in May 2020.

Please note StreetWork has also applied for funding under the Small Equipment and Arts & Cultural streams and those applications have been recommended for funding.

**AMOUNT RECOMMENDED:** Nil

**SPECIFIC PURPOSE:** N/A

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<b>ORGANISATION NAME:</b>	<b>17. 1<sup>st</sup> North Turramurra Scouts Group</b>
<b>ORGANISATION BACKGROUND:</b>	<p>Scouting educates young people for life and the 1st North Turramurra Scouts group is very proud to have such a committed group of young people dedicated to Scouting. It equips them with life skills such as team work and leadership, and gives them the tools to develop into strong, resilient adults and valuable members of the community. The essence of Scouting is to have fun, enjoy adventures outdoors and strengthen a sense of community and belonging.</p> <p>It's also an activity for the whole family, and parents in the 1st North Turramurra group love to join in with activities, helping at special events and volunteering as Leaders. We're very proud of the strong and growing community spirit in our group.</p> <p>Our Joeys, Cubs and Scouts enjoy night and day hikes, cycling adventures, canoeing camps, campfire cookery, first aid to name just a few activities. They also learn life and leadership skills, community service and how to be a good friend and citizen. Fundraising is essential to the continual running of the group to ensure safe equipment and equitable access to the activities on offer.</p>
<b>AMOUNT REQUESTED:</b>	\$5,000.00
<b>PROJECT DESCRIPTION:</b>	<p><b>Upgrade of equipment</b> – Our major fundraisers are our popular trivia nights and our sausage sizzles, which have been cancelled thanks to COVID. We are seeking funds to upgrade camping / canoeing equipment to ensure safety and an optimal experience for the young people we support when we can return to these activities safely.</p> <p>Community engagement has never been more important, and that's exactly what Scouts is able to offer. We're aiming to increase our member numbers in the next 12 months, and that will require more equipment including tents, cooking equipment and and canoes so we can continue to offer these experiences to our members. We also have a number of old equipment which will soon not be fit-for-purpose because the safety of the young people we support is our number one responsibility. This grant will enable us to upgrade this equipment, making these activities safer and more comfortable for the kids.</p> <p>While our group has always enjoyed a high level of parental involvement, an upgrade of our equipment will also remove a barrier for some parents to participate, increasing inter-generational relationship building and community engagement.</p>
<b>PREVIOUS GRANTS:</b>	Nil
<b>2019 ACQUITTAL FORM RECEIVED?</b>	N/A
<b>COMMENTS:</b>	1st North Turramurra Scouts Group is seeking assistance to purchase camping and canoeing equipment to upgrade their current supplies and ensure safety of young people on activities.

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The activities provide young people with the opportunity to experience the outdoors through overnight hikes and camps, developing their skills in working with others, problem solving, understanding their natural environment, navigation and building their confidence, self awareness and self esteem.

This project is not a priority under the Community Development stream and is more closely aligned to the Small Equipment funding area. Grants of up to \$2,000 are available in the Small Equipment category. An amount has been recommended as a contribution towards the camping equipment consistent with other scout and guide groups.

**AMOUNT RECOMMENDED:** **\$1,500.00**

**SPECIFIC PURPOSE:** A contribution towards the cost of camping and canoeing equipment.

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- ORGANISATION NAME:** 18. Playgroup NSW Inc./on behalf Pymble Playgroup
- ORGANISATION BACKGROUND:** Playgroup NSW leads in engaging families and communities in early childhood development. Programs and services centre around play and are universally beneficial for communities, carers and children from a range of backgrounds. The aims and objectives of Playgroup NSW is to ensure our groups are accessible to all families with children 0-5 in NSW, resulting in enhanced development, wellbeing and support for carers and children; and thriving communities.
- Playgroup NSW Values:
- Passionate - We are passionate about early childhood development and building connections between families and their communities through playgroup related activities
  - Loyal - We are loyal to our staff, partners, members, their children and communities. We respect each other and work together toward common goals
  - Accountable - We are honest, accountable and follow through on our commitments
  - Young at Heart - We generate new ideas and opportunities to advance and enrich the organisation and the contribution we make to our communities, the lives of our members and children, and our broader stakeholders.
- AMOUNT REQUESTED:** \$4,500.00
- PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** **Need for improvements to children's recreational space** - We currently use a tub for washing up our art and craft activities, but during these times children cannot share the same washing water. An outside trough to wash hands and art supplies is essential to the ongoing safety and independence we wish to nurture in our community.
- Art & craft is very important, children build relationships and bonds by shared experiences. It supports their creative development, builds imagination, stimulates brain development and their physical and social skills. Creating art outside is important as it helps to develop their physical skills (strengthening arms and developing core strength) and provide opportunity for crossing the midline, playing a role in skills such as writing, dressing and reading. It also develops hand-eye coordination and spatial awareness.
- A skill for life that we want to empower our children with is independence. Independence is such a crucial part of development as it gives children a strong foundation in positive self-image and perseverance, contributing significantly to their later mental health, resilience and taking risks. Learning the skills of personal hygiene are also vital steps towards independence and the opportunity to practice good hygiene in this environment is crucial to the safety of the community.



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**PREVIOUS GRANTS:** 2019 - \$1,999.00  
2019 - \$4,830.00

**2019 ACQUITTAL FORM RECEIVED?** Yes

**COMMENTS:** Playgroup NSW seek assistance to install an outside trough for washing art supplies and children's hands. Under Ku-ring-gai Community Grants Program guidelines, capital assistance or maintenance of buildings or grounds is not eligible for funding. This information is clearly indicated in the Ku-ring-gai Community Grants Program Guidelines and groups are encouraged to seek advice on a project if they are unclear regarding eligibility criteria.

Please note Playgroup NSW has also applied for funding under the Small Equipment stream and have been recommended for funding.

**AMOUNT RECOMMENDED:** Nil

**SPECIFIC PURPOSE:** N/A

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<b>ORGANISATION NAME:</b>	<b>19. CASS Care Ltd</b>
<b>ORGANISATION BACKGROUND:</b>	<p>The CASS Group provides a wide range of social and welfare services. It is widely known and promoted in the community with its brand name "CASS". It consists of a group of organisations, all of which are registered charitable companies limited by guarantee, including principally its parent entity, the Chinese Australian Services Society Ltd (founded in 1981), and the subsidiary, CASS Care Ltd (established in 2002) which is also an endorsed public benevolent institution by the Australian Taxation Office.</p> <p>The aim of CASS Care is to provide various services to the multicultural communities. The services of CASS Care: Covers a 63-bed residential aged care facility in Campsie, Home Care Packages for over 400 frail seniors, Commonwealth Home Support Program for over 800 frail seniors, Community Visitors Scheme, Disability Services, settlement and health services, and children services. More than 2,800 families access CASS services and activities weekly..</p>
<b>AMOUNT REQUESTED:</b>	\$4,300.00
<b>PROJECT DESCRIPTION:</b>	<p><b>Ku-ring-gai Chinese Community in Action</b> – Under this project members of the local Chinese community will be encouraged to take action to participate in the community and increase their identification and sense of belonging to the local area. Activities that will be arranged include regular social support gatherings, visits to local historic sites, information sessions on local history, visits to local parks, national parks. During the regular gatherings, information sessions relating to local life such as community safety, life experience sharing, and multicultural activities will be organized. These activities aim to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. provide opportunities for the older people in the local Chinese community to meet their social and cultural needs, helping them to break language barriers and increase community participation</li><li>2. fight against social isolation and help participants to establish their social support networks in the local area.</li><li>3. provide a safe and accessible environment and services to frail elderly so that they can get together and take action to participate in the community.</li><li>4. increase accessibility to community events, engagement and integration of older people in Ku-ring-gai area.</li><li>5. celebrate cultural diversity and gain a deep understanding and sense of belonging to the local area, as well as their identification as citizens of Australia.</li></ol>
<b>PREVIOUS GRANTS:</b>	2019 - \$3,905.00 2019 - \$1,125.00
<b>2019 ACQUITTAL FORM RECEIVED?</b>	Yes
<b>COMMENTS:</b>	CASS Care is seeking assistance to provide activities for older people in the local Chinese community, including regular social support gatherings, visits

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to local historical sites, information sessions on local history, and visits to local parks and national parks. These activities are designed to provide opportunities for older people to meet their social and cultural needs, break language barriers and increase community participation, and to combat social isolation and establish social networks. Frail elderly have a safe and accessible environment to participate in the community, and can celebrate cultural diversity while gaining a deep understanding and sense of belonging to the local area.

While the activities allow Chinese seniors to share their experiences and support each other, the positive impact of cultural diversity will extend to the local community as a whole. Please note CASS Care has also applied for funding under the Arts Cultural stream of the Ku-ring-gai Community Grants Program.

**AMOUNT RECOMMENDED:**

**\$3,500.00**

**SPECIFIC PURPOSE:**

A contribution towards materials, transport for excursions, equipment and venue hire.

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<b>ORGANISATION NAME:</b>	<b>20. Ku-ring-gai Branch of MS Support Group</b>
<b>ORGANISATION BACKGROUND:</b>	<p>Our Multiple Sclerosis Support Group aims to meet the social, emotional, intellectual and educational needs of MS clients.</p> <p>To create an inclusiveness and a sense of belonging of both clients and helpers.</p> <p>To facilitate access to monthly events for targeted clients by financial support for wheelchair taxis.</p> <p>To provide additional financial support for targeted clients with the purchase of specialist equipment and ancillary services to improve their lifestyle.</p>
<b>AMOUNT REQUESTED:</b>	\$5,000.00
<b>PROJECT DESCRIPTION:</b>	<p><b>MS Welfare Support Grant</b> - To assist MS clients with funding support of specialist taxi transport to enable them to attend monthly events</p> <p>Assisting in the cost of the monthly hall hire at St Ives Wildflower Garden. Many MS clients cannot drive or cannot travel in a normal car as a passenger. Wheelchair taxis are needed to give them a much needed outing.</p> <p>Targeted assistance in purchasing specialist equipment to allow clients to experience better and fuller life experiences.</p> <p>To enable the attendance of a trained nurse at the monthly events.</p>
<b>PREVIOUS GRANTS:</b>	Nil
<b>2019 ACQUITTAL FORM RECEIVED?</b>	N/A
<b>COMMENTS:</b>	<p>The MS support group is seeking financial assistance to fund the venue hire and transport costs of the group. The MS support group meets monthly to meet the social, emotional and educational needs of people living with multiple sclerosis. There are many barriers for this group to access services and this project aims to reduce those barriers.</p> <p>In Ku-ring-gai there are currently 148 residents living with multiple sclerosis. There are 30 Ku-ring-gai residents who frequently attend this group and 14 Ku-ring-gai residents who volunteer at this group. Many of the participants in this group have high needs and require support of individual carers to participate in any social activities.</p> <p>The support group enables people living with multiple sclerosis to access the social and recreational activities that they are often miss out on. The project aims to expand the scope to more participants who will be able to enjoy the wonderful sense of community and belonging.</p>
<b>AMOUNT RECOMMENDED:</b>	<b>\$4,000.00</b>
<b>SPECIFIC PURPOSE:</b>	A contribution towards venue hire and transport costs for monthly meetings.

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<b>ORGANISATION NAME:</b>	<b>21. The Shepherd Centre</b>
<b>ORGANISATION BACKGROUND:</b>	<p>Thousands of children who are deaf or hearing impaired have been helped by The Shepherd Centre (TSC) by learning how to listen and speak so they may reach their full potential in life. Recognised a world leader in the field of specialised auditory verbal therapy (AVT), the organisation provides parents with the tools, strategies and methods they need to teach their children to listen, understand the meaning of sound and to speak.</p> <p>Our intensive, family centred, early intervention program ensures that children with hearing impairment can reach their full potential and participate fully in society by learning how to listen and speak. It comprises of a combination of individual and group listening, speech and language sessions for children aged 0-5 along with clinical audiology and counselling support.</p> <p>The children graduating from our program typically achieve spoken language at the same level as normal -hearing children. In addition to that, The Shepherd Centre advocates strongly for improving the well-being of children and their active participation in mainstream activities where they can build positive relationships with their families, siblings and friends.</p>
<b>AMOUNT REQUESTED:</b>	\$2,957.50
<b>PROJECT DESCRIPTION:</b>	<p><b>Kidscape - an arts and music group learning program for deaf children with their families in the Ku-ring-gai area</b> - We are seeking funding to provide 'Kidscape' to support children with hearing loss.</p> <p>'Kidscape' is a group education and social inclusion program for children with hearing loss and their families living in the Ku-ring-gai area. Through the use of art, craft and music, the program develops listening, spoken language and social skills in the early stages of a child's life. These skills enable participating children to overcome the challenges of hearing loss and thrive in their communities. 'Kidscape' also builds a supportive community for parents, fostering lifelong friendships as their children participate in this weekly play-based activity group. Siblings are also encouraged to participate and benefit from interacting with other children who have hearing loss.</p> <p>The Shepherd Centre's therapists, along with the support of volunteers, facilitate the children's group while parent groups are run by our Child and Family Counsellors in the second hour of each session.</p>
<b>PREVIOUS GRANTS:</b>	2016 - \$4,000.00 2018 - \$3,000.00
<b>2019 ACQUITTAL FORM RECEIVED?</b>	Nil
<b>COMMENTS:</b>	The Shepherd Centre is seeking financial assistance for five families who live in the Ku-ring-gai local government area to participate in the Kidscape program. The Shepherd Centre runs a variety of programs that teach

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spoken language and skills to children who are deaf to listen and speak. The Kidscape project will deliver parent support groups/playgroups, assisting parents of children with permanent hearing loss.

The program fosters social inclusion by facilitating weekly groups of parents and nurses that provide peer and emotional support to parents.

Kidscape also provides a playgroup to children who are deaf, where they are encouraged to participate in activities that develop listening, talking and socialising skills and creates a social network for these children.

Participation in this program creates social networks for isolated families and provides opportunities for children who are deaf to learn to listen and speak in social environments.

**AMOUNT RECOMMENDED:**

**\$2,262.00**

**SPECIFIC PURPOSE:**

A contribution towards program coordination, counselling for families, arts and craft and program catering.

Conditional: the funding must be for the provision of services to Ku-ring-gai families.