

# Crows Nest Station community grant

September 2023 community fact sheet



The A W Edwards Crows Nest Station team have established a Community Grant Program to support and deliver positive and lasting outcomes for communities located within close proximity to the station works.

## Application dates

Applications open **9am Monday 2 October 2023** and close **5pm Tuesday 31 October 2023**.

**No applications submitted after 5pm Tuesday 31 October will be assessed.**

## About the program

The program offers grants of up to \$5000 per applicant to support the delivery of community-initiated projects, events, or activities, within close proximity to Crows Nest Metro Station, which:

- satisfy our eligibility criteria
- focus on one of more of our social sustainability focus areas
- fulfil our commitment to support the community's place, people, and environment through projects that can provide positive, long-lasting benefits beyond construction.

## Funding

Eligible applicants can apply for funding amounts of up to \$5,000.

Funds must be expended within three months of the grant being awarded unless otherwise agreed with A W Edwards.

There are limited funds available (\$20,000), so not all applications that meet the criteria will receive funding.

## How to apply?

All requests for grants must be made by completing an **online application form**. This is available by scanning the adjacent QR code and via our dedicated Crows Nest Station website [www.crowsnestmetrostation.com.au](http://www.crowsnestmetrostation.com.au)

All applicants will be advised of application receipt by email within 24 hours and outcome within eight weeks of applications closing.



## Eligibility requirements

The Crows Nest Station community grant program is for grassroots organisations only. To be eligible for funding:

### The applicant must be a:

- ✓ Community trust
- ✓ Incorporated community association
- ✓ Not-for-profit
- ✓ Social enterprise
- ✓ Charity
- ✓ Public Benevolent Institution
- ✓ School.

### The initiative must benefit communities in:

- Artarmon
- Cammeray
- Crows Nest
- Greenwich
- Naremburn
- St Leonards
- Wollstonecraft.

### What is not eligible

- × Government departments (excluding schools unless the school is in a relevant tender or procurement process).
- × Social group and clubs.
- × Religious, political, private individuals or business events and activities.
- × Organisations or community groups not aligned with A W Edwards values or have direct links to gambling, alcohol, tobacco, illegal drugs or activities, negative impacts on health or associated with risk-taking activities.
- × Recipients or representatives with criminal convictions.
- × Where recipients are seeking personal gain or have loose governance structures that could give rise to bribery, misuse of funds or other corrupt practices.
- × Requests for prize money, ongoing or retrospective activities, or to cover costs associated with making an application.
- × Initiatives that have already occurred or are taking place.
- × Initiatives not directly benefiting communities located close to Crows Nest Station.
- × Where there is a conflict of interest.

## Assessment process and criteria

### Applications will be assessed against:

1. the applicant's ability to satisfy eligibility requirements (as above)
2. the ability of the applicant's initiative to deliver positive community outcomes in at least one of our social sustainability focus areas (described overleaf)

3. the ability of the applicant's initiative to fulfil A W Edwards commitment to leaving positive and lasting legacies in the communities we work (described overleaf).

## Our social sustainability focus areas

Our five social sustainability focus areas have been guided by needs identified in the St Leonards and Crows Nest 2036 Plan prepared by the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment and findings reported by North Sydney Council in response to their 2016 Crows Nest Placemaking and Principles study.

### Five focus areas

- **Health and safety** - initiatives delivering health, wellbeing and safety outcomes including recreation and sports.
- **Education, employment, and economic prosperity** - initiatives delivering education, skills building, local procurement, economic development, and employment access outcomes.
- **Community services and affordable housing** - initiatives delivering and supporting community-based services including social housing.
- **Environment, sustainability, and the arts** - initiatives delivering place making, environmental, conservation, sustainability, arts, and cultural heritage outcomes.
- **Sustainable transportation** - initiatives delivering active transportation outcomes.

## A W Edwards commitment

A W Edwards Crows Nest Station team will also assess applicants' ability to help achieve our commitment to support the community's place, people, and environment through projects that can provide positive, long-lasting benefits beyond construction.

This will be assessed through applicants' ability to demonstrate how they satisfy the below three attributes:

1. **Sense of place and connection** - ability of the initiative to connect people with their community and encourage community participation and new volunteers.
2. **Creating lasting legacies** - ability of the initiative to deliver a sustainable legacy with lasting benefits to the local economy, community or natural environment.
3. **Supporting our local community** - ability of the initiative to deliver lasting benefits to communities located within close proximity to Crows Nest Metro Station.

## Terms and conditions

Applications and subsequent funding through the Crows Nest Station Community Grant Program is subject to Terms and Conditions, which are available on our dedicated Crows Nest Station website [crowsnetmetrostation.com.au](http://crowsnetmetrostation.com.au)

Please carefully read the Terms and Conditions before applying. In applying, applicants are deemed to have accepted the Terms and Conditions.

### Application support

If you have any questions or would like more information, please contact the Crows Nest Station project team via the Community information line **1800 171 386** or by emailing [crowsnestmetrostation@transport.nsw.gov.au](mailto:crowsnestmetrostation@transport.nsw.gov.au)