

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.

The community grant program offers funding up to \$5,000 for organisations in areas near to the Crows Nest Station. The funding supports organisations that contribute to community wellbeing, prosperity, or sustainability.

Projects considered eligible for funding would;

- 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 the completion of Crows Nest Metro Station.

Funding

Eligible applicants can apply for funding amounts of up to \$5,000 (up to \$20,000 is available).

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

There are limited funds available, so not all applications that meet the criteria will receive funding.

How to apply?

All grant requests must be made by completing an online application form. You can either scan the QR code or visit the grants page on our website at crowsnestmetrostation.com.au.

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



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 and Environment](#) and findings reported by [North Sydney Council in response to their 2016 Crows Nest Placemaking and Principles study](#).

Five social sustainability 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.

Eligible projects must be able to demonstrate their ability to help achieve our commitment to support the community's place, people, and environment through projects that provide positive, long-lasting benefits beyond project completion and will be assessed on;

Sense of place and connection - ability of the initiative to connect people with their community and encourage community participation and new volunteers.

1. **Creating lasting legacies** - ability of the initiative to deliver a sustainable legacy with lasting benefits to the local economy, community or natural environment.
2. **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

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

If you need help understanding this information, please contact the Translating and Interpreting Service on **131 450** and ask them to call us on **1800 171 386**.