

# Community Support Program terms & conditions

These terms and conditions (T&C's) have been prepared to help guide applicants to prepare a submission for the Community Support Program 2021-22. The T&C's include advice for applicants, eligibility conditions, assessment criteria and information on how to apply.

# **Eligibility**

To be eligible to apply and receive community sponsorship from Westernport Water, your event, initiative or campaign will be assessed against set criteria. Applications will be viewed favourably if they:

- positively promote Westernport Water's products or services
- align with or support key themes (healthy people, healthy communities and healthy planet)
- help engage or build strong community relationships
- provide shared community benefit through partnerships.

# To be eligible for the Community Support Program your application <u>MUST</u> meet the following criteria:

- be located or held within Westernport Water's service area. View our service area map on our website.
- provide evidence of not-for-profit registration or registered charity (e.g. incorporated community group, management committee, sporting club, volunteer group or school)
- must be single use plastic water bottle free (If you are requesting event support)
- recognise Westernport Water as a Sponsor and/or Event Partner
- positively promote Westernport Water by aligning with the key themes listed above.

# Westernport Water will NOT support applications that:

- are for projects/initiatives outside our service region
- could attract adverse community criticism
- could attract high level COVID related risk/s
- request open-ended sponsorship
- have outstanding evaluation or acquittal reports from previous applications
- aim to deliver or replace core government services
- seek donations for fundraising teams or individuals for charity
- seek retrospective funding or budget deficits
- fund political campaigns or groups seeking support for personal interests
- fund events that discriminate adversely against any persons, organisations or group
- have a co-sponsor supplying bottled water to the project/event
- have a co-sponsor whose values don't align with our values
- fund projects which conflict with Government Policy or objectives
- fund organisations supportive of or with visible links to tobacco, gaming, alcohol or drug-related issues
- fund proposals that do not align with the overall intent of the sponsorship objectives in our <u>Corporate Social</u> Responsibility Strategy
- requests that do not comply with Westernport Water's Sponsorship and Donation Policy
- do not comply with the Information Privacy Act 2000.

For more information, please refer to our FAQ's.





# Sponsorship acknowledgement

Sponsorship recipients will be required to acknowledge Westernport Water's sponsorship/support. The acknowledgement <u>must</u> comply with Westernport Water's Brand and Style Guide and clearly indicate the support for the sponsored activity.

### This includes:

- media acknowledgment in any print, television or radio exposure
- recognising Westernport Water as an Event Partner on the event's website/web page at least two weeks prior to the event/program
- acknowledging Westernport Water as an Event Partner on at least one event-related social media channel (e.g. Facebook, Instagram or Twitter) at least one week prior to the event/program
- inclusion of the Westernport Water logo on posters and any printed marketing materials
- signage on site reflecting Westernport Water's support as an Event Partner (pull-up banners and flags can be borrowed for event duration)
- acknowledgment on day of event by MC (if applicable)
- post event acknowledgment in press and or public notices (if applicable)
- invitation for a Westernport Water representatives to attend the event or oversee project, and take photos for promotional use (if applicable)
- sharing three high resolution event/program-related images with Westernport Water within five business days of the event's completion with authorisation to use these images for promotional purposes
- Westernport Water must sight and approve all marketing material where the corporate identity will appear.

# **Conditions**

- applications must be submitted online using the Community Support Program Application Form
- applications for 2021-22 Community Support Program close 30 July 2021
- Westernport Water reserves the right to decline proposals that do and don't meet the detailed criteria and to terminate agreements if they fail to meet the agreed commitments.
- successful applicants will receive a letter inviting them to enter into a sponsorship agreement by completing a Funding Agreement Form
- funding must be spent in the 2021-22 financial year
- all grant recipients must provide a tax invoice or signed "statement by supplier" to obtain sponsorship funds
- successful applicants must complete an Acquittal Form within three months of the project being completed, and received no later than 2 May 2022.

### Failure to comply with T&C's

Westernport Water reserves the right to terminate the Sponsorship Agreement or seek repayment of any funding if:

- the recipient fails to meet the obligations outlined in the T&C's
- it believes that the applicant has spent funding on items not associated with its original application and allocated purpose or has otherwise misappropriated the funds
- the applicant has not completed the Acquittal Form. Failure to supply an Acquittal Form will result in applicants being ineligible for sponsorship in subsequent years until a completed Acquittal Form is provided
- any funds are not expended by 30 June 2022, unless prior arrangements have been made.

Inability to meet the T&C's of the Sponsorship Agreement will render applicants ineligible for sponsorship in the future

## **FURTHER INFORMATION**

For further information about the Community Support Program including T&C's, FAQ's and to apply visit our website.

If you would like to speak with someone about your application, please contact the Community Support Program Team:



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