



COMMUNITY GRANT GUIDELINES

2017

MIDCOAST WASTE SERVICES | JR RICHARDS & SONS

Midcoast Waste Services are committed to building engaged and educated communities, working together we can ensure our waste and overall sustainability practices are improved. Currently Midcoast Waste Services is working within schools and community groups, offering presentations and tours free of charge to educate residents on waste management in our area.

To increase community involvement, Midcoast Waste Services is proud to announce the first annual round of community grants. These community grants are designed to support those who are making an effort to improve waste management. The grant is open to all community and school groups (early learning, primary and high school) in the MidCoast local government area and is aimed at increasing participation in not only waste management but sustainability in general.

Total grant pool is **\$6,000**, funding will be allocated to a minimum of 3 successful submissions, therefore a **maximum submission of \$2000** will be accepted.

GRANT GUIDELINES

ELIGIBILITY

1. Organisations must be not for profit
2. Cannot be for political parties
3. Must be based within the local government area

2017 FUNDING PRIORITY

1. Projects that target littering hotspots & litter reduction.
2. Projects that encourage community participation in waste reduction.
3. Projects that utilise innovation, technology and community involvement.
4. Projects that encompass locations such as sporting and recreation areas, roadsides and waterways, shopping and commercial districts

SELECTION CRITERIA

1. The project must be contributing to improving waste management or the environment
2. Successful programs should integrate a combination of approaches to waste management.
3. The project will feasibly be implemented within a year of approval
4. Demonstrate engagement with key stakeholders in planning and delivery of the program.
5. Evaluate the project outcomes including waste reduction and behaviour change.
6. The applicant should contribute resources toward their project, either financially or in-kind.
7. Projects that will continue after the initial grant funding, become self-sustaining.

8. Agree to MidCoast Council & JR Richards promoting your achievements

PROJECTS CONSIDERED INAPPROPRIATE

Funding will not be provided for projects which:

1. Only comprise of litter clean ups
2. Include travel outside the MidCoast Council area
3. Request retrospective payments for projects that have already begun.

APPLICATION SUBMISSION

To apply for the community grant, you will need to submit in writing:

1. Detailed plan of your project outlining what you need to do
2. The timeline of project including start and end dates
3. Target area/group or participants
4. The key stakeholders & partnerships
5. The intended results
6. How you will promote, publicise your project
7. How you will measure and evaluate your success.
8. How your project addresses the selection criteria
9. An itemised break down of estimated project costs and financial support required, including A minimum of **two** (2) quotes indicating that you have researched your proposed costs.

DEADLINES

All grant must be submitted by **30th June 2017** to education@jrrichards.com.au

For more information please contact the JR Richards & Sons Education Officer on (02) 6539 7073

Examples of Possible Projects

- Existing project requiring new signage to encourage behaviour change
- A digital camera to film a online campaign
- Equipment for a new project reducing food waste