

Community Sponsorships & Grants Guidelines

Our Purpose:

Manage responsible Banking services which support and benefit our communities, including through support to community organisations or projects within our region.

Preference will be given to projects that support:

- Families, children and youth initiatives
- Public health programs and services
- Community capacity building projects
- Public education, including tertiary education, school building and libraries
- Innovative community services
- Cultural and arts initiatives
- Community sporting organisations/opportunity
- Aged care services
- Disability services
- Environmental projects

The Community Sponsorships & Grants Program is designed to:

- Make targeted use of funds that are responsive to community needs
- Provide a simple application process
- Enable us to be responsive to the needs of communities
- Create tangible benefits to the wider community
- Support local initiatives that have lasting positive effect
- Create or support development benefits such as training or education, for example, first aid accreditation

What can be funded?

- Activities that offer clear benefit for communities in our region– contributing to their development by supporting projects or initiatives in the social, capital, community welfare, environmental, health, education or cultural areas
- Organisations should have an ABN
- Applications must be from organisations/groups from within the relevant East Coast area/catchment (e.g. Bicheno, Swansea, Triabunna, Orford)

What can't be funded?

- Political or religious organisations
- Programs which denigrate or offend any other group in the community
- Programs that result in environmental destruction or animal cruelty
- Programs that may create hazards to the community
- Programs that do not reflect community standards
- Programs that advocate gambling or alcohol
- Programs that involve illegal activity or activity in breach of relevant regulations

How to Apply

- Complete and submit a Community Sponsorships & Grants Application form. Applications for funding that are not provided in the correct form will not be accepted.

- Community Sponsorships & Grants application forms are available from the Company Secretary via email secretary@freycinetcfs.com.au or the website: Swansea <https://www.bendigobank.com.au/branch/tas/community-bank-swansea/> Bicheno <https://www.bendigobank.com.au/branch/tas/community-bank-bicheno/>
- Please ensure legibility of hand-written applications (please print).
- There are two application rounds. Intake one closes on 29 February and intake two closes on 31 August each year. We will consider all applications and endeavour to advise of the outcome within 30 days of the closure of the intake period. We would prefer to consider all applications in line with the above dates; however, if your application requires urgent consideration, please let us know and we may be able to expedite the process if appropriate.
- Please send a signed copy of the Application, along with any supporting documentation, to:

The Secretary, Freycinet Coast Financial Services Limited
PO Box 125
Bicheno TAS 7215

or email it to secretary@freycinetcfs.com.au