

Community Sponsorship Application Form

What you need to know

The Community Bank Elmore, Lockington and Rochester are proud to offer the next round of our Community Sponsorship Program. The aim of this program is to enhance local groups and organisations, assist talented individuals and extend special events that assist our community in growing. The Lockmore Financial Services Limited Board of Directors will assess all requests. Applicants will be notified in writing. The decisions of Lockmore Financial Services Limited will be final. All applicants must be an appropriate incorporated body or auspice by an incorporated body. We encourage all to gather alternative support, both in kind and financial.

Please complete the application form available online/in branch and submit via one of the following;

- Email to admin@lockmore.com.au
- Drop into one of our three branches
- Mail to; Lockmore Financial Services Limited Administration Centre, PO Box 108, Elmore, VIC, 3558

APPLICATIONS CLOSE 28 SEPTEMBER 2020. All submissions will receive a confirmation email and outcome of submission will be notified in October.

Frequently Asked Questions

- Q. Is my community organisation eligible for a community sponsorship program?
- A. Yes if your community organisation:
 - Supports the health and wellbeing of the Elmore, Lockington and Rochester region
 - Funding is to remain with the local organisation and not be towards another companies larger fundraising program
 - Identifies realistic, measurable and achievable project goals and outcomes
 - Holds a current bank account with Community Bank Elmore, Lockington and Rochester branches in its name
 - Is an incorporated body (Individuals need to be auspice by an incorporated body)
- Q. Can I apply on behalf of an organisation?

A. Only an authorised representative of an eligible organisation can apply for sponsorship funding. An authorised representative can apply under the auspice of an organisation.

Q. Can I submit my application by email?

A. Applications can be submitted by email, post or hand delivered to a branch.

Q. If my organisation applied for or received support in the past, can I still apply?

A. Successful applicants that received more than \$500 in 2018/2019/2020 are eligible to apply if they have been affected by COVID-19 or if they are assisting with community wellbeing in these difficult times. This could involve initiatives that deal with the direct financial impacts of COVID-19, that provide mental health support or that strengthen community connections.

Q. Can my organisation apply for multiple funding for different programs?

A: An organisation can apply multiple applications providing they are for different programs/events.

Q. Can I submit a longer answer or supporting documentation?

A Where possible, we encourage you to write your answers in the area provided. We are able to accept or review supporting documents as part of any application, as long as it is submitted at the same time as the application.

Q. I missed the time or date applications closed. Will you still accept my application?

A. Unfortunately no. We are unable to accept any late applications. If you miss the application deadline, we encourage you to apply for funding during the next round.

Q. Can we request payment for the funding of employees?

A. Funding will not be issued for the payment of staff or people involved in the project.

Q. I have submitted my application. What are the next steps? When are recipients announced? When would we receive the funds if successful?

A. The next step is the review of applications, which will start when applications officially close. The Lockmore Financial Services Limited Board of Directors will review and assess the applications. Successful applications will be announced in April 2020. Applicants will be required to send a Tax Invoice and their funding will be direct deposited into the organisations account.

Q. If my application is unsuccessful will I be able to submit another application?

A. You will be able to submit another application in March 2021 when the next round opens for the Community Sponsorship Program.

- Q. Our organisation has been affected by COVID-19, can we mention this in our application.
- A. Organisations that have been affected by the COVID-19 pandemic will be looked upon favourably.