Community Bank
Victoria Point and
Wynnum-Manly
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Community Connections

Q2 2026. Your Local Newsletter.

Backing Local

Making a Difference

Community Bank branches are owned by local people and operated in partnership with Bendigo Bank. They return most of the profit they make to the local community through sponsorships and grants to not for profit organisations and community initiatives.

In this edition, we celebrate more than $120,000 through our most recent Community Grants and Tokens of Appreciation programs, local volunteers making grassroots sport possible, projects improving community safety, and the organisations creating meaningful local impact every day.

From projects improving community safety and wellbeing to initiatives bringing people together through inclusion, sustainability and support services, these are the kinds of outcomes your banking helps make possible.

COMMUNITY
$2.2 million
INVESTMENT

Thank you for helping us support the people and projects that make our community so special.

$100,352 AWARDED TO 26 LOCAL PROJECTS

We're proud to support incredible organisations creating real impact across our community.

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TOKENS OF APPRECIATION ROUND 5 NOW UNDERWAY

Support a local community group making a difference.

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SUPPORTING SAFER COMMUNITIES

Backing the Business Watch - Eyes on the Street trial in Victoria Point.

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FUTURE FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

Community groups are encouraged to apply for upcoming grants and funding programs.

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Recent Funding Recipients

Education & Research

Bayview State School P&C
Manly State School P&C
Richie's Rainbow Foundation
Victoria Point State School P&C
Wondall Heights State School
Zonta Club of Wynnum Redlands

Sport and Recreation

Crusaders Basketball Association
Isle of Coochie Golf Club
Meteors Netball Club
Redlands Bayside Masters Swimming Club
Redlands Sea Dragons
Special Olympics Australia - Redlands
Thunderbolts Netball Inc.
Victoria Point Bowls & Recreation Club
Wynnum Croquet Club Inc.
Wynnum Manly Junior Rugby League Club

Arts, Culture and Heritage

Bayside Community Fund
Eastern District Orchid Society Inc.
Manly Lota RSL Sub Branch
Moreton Bay District Girl Guides
Play It Forward
QLD Services Heritage Band Association
Redland Bay Women's Shed
Redland Rhapsody Chorus
Redlands Coast Chamber of Commerce
Redlands Edible Garden Trail
Redlands Orchid Society
ReLoved by Collson
Savoyards Musical Comedy Society Inc.
Sing, Sing, Sing
Social Mum's Club Victoria Point, Redland Bay & Surrounds
Spring Parade
The Cage Youth Foundation
United Community Services Inc.
Victoria Point Girl Guides
Victoria Point Probus Club
Wynnum Commerce Inc.
Wynnum State High School P&C

Health and Wellbeing

Bulimba Community Centre Inc.
Cycling Without Age
Fun Farm Limited
Harvesters Storehouse Ltd.
Redlands Centre for Women
The Brain Injury Community Inc.
Waterloo Bay Leisure Centre
Wynnum Community Place
Wynnum Manly District Cricket Club
Wynnum Manly Yacht Club Inc.

Community Facilities & Infrastructure

Redland Bay Men's Shed Inc.
Winnam Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders Corporation

Emergency and Community Support

136 Army Cadets Unit
Wynnum Manly & Districts Men's Shed

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Tokens of Appreciation: Small Tokens, Big Local Impact

Our Tokens of Appreciation program continues to show just how powerful community support can be when local people come together behind the causes they care about.

Through the program, customers visiting our Victoria Point and Wynnum-Manly branches receive a token and choose which participating local organisation they'd like to support. At the end of each round, the **$20,000 funding pool is shared** based on community votes, giving local groups not only funding, but also valuable exposure and connection within the community.

Round 4 saw another incredible response from customers, with funding shared across ten local organisations supporting everything from youth programs and veterans to women's services, arts, sport and community wellbeing.

Round 4 Results

Victoria Point Recipients:

136 Army Cadets	$1,585
Play It Forward	$2,447
Redlands Centre for Women	$2,201
Redlands Sea Dragons	$2,130
Victoria Point Girl Guides	$1,637

Wynnum-Manly Recipients

Manly Lota RSL Sub Branch	$1,957
Manly State School P&C	$1,622
Wynnum Community Place	$1,967
Wynnum Croquet Club	$2,222
Wynnum State High School P&C Instrumental Music Program Support Subcommittee	$2,232

Round 5 is now underway and runs from **1 June to 31 August 2026**, with the following groups participating:

Victoria Point Participants:

- Punch with Purpose
- Redland City SES Unit
- Redlands Coast Museum
- ReLoved by Collson
- U3A Redlands District Inc.

Wynnum-Manly Participants:

- Manly Dragon Boat Club Inc
- Richie's Rainbow Foundation
- Wynnum Manly Junior Rugby League Club
- Wynnum Redlands Budgerigar Society
- Wynnum Vikings AFC

Local Projects Set to Benefit from $100,000 in Community Funding

We are proud to announce that more than $100,000 has been awarded through our latest Community Grants Program, **supporting 26 local organisations** delivering projects that strengthen and connect our community.

A **total of $100,352.17** was awarded across initiatives spanning health and wellbeing, grassroots sport, inclusion programs, community facilities, arts and culture, emergency support and social connection.

What makes these grants so special is the variety of projects being brought to life, all driven by local people responding to real community needs.

This round included funding for:

- expanded community trishaw rides helping elderly and mobility-impaired residents reconnect with the outdoors.
- inclusive social events for people living with disability
- upgraded safety equipment for junior sporting clubs
- improved community meeting spaces
- mental health and community initiatives
- community events bringing families together
- equipment and resources helping volunteer-led organisations continue their work

From large-scale community programs to practical everyday improvements, each project reflects the passion and dedication of local groups working to make a positive impact close to home.

Some of the successful recipients included:

- Cycling Without Age Australia
- Fun Farm Limited
- Crusaders Basketball Association
- QLD Services Heritage Band Association
- Redland Bay Men's Shed
- Bulimba Community Centre
- Meteors Netball Club
- Eastern District Orchid Society

We thank every organisation that applied this round and congratulate all successful recipients. We look forward to seeing these projects come to life across the Redlands and Bayside communities.

Growing Something Special at Bayview State School

Recently, members of our team swapped the branch for shovels, spending the morning at Bayview State School helping construct new garden beds to expand the school's growing veggie patch.

Funded through our recent Community Grants Program, the project is helping create more opportunities for students to learn about sustainability, gardening and caring for the environment in a hands-on way.

Led by the school's passionate Eco Marines students, the garden space continues to grow into something truly special for the whole school community.

For our team, it was incredibly rewarding to not only support the project through funding, but to also get involved and help bring it to life alongside students and staff.

Walking Together for a Special Cause

Hundreds of people came together along the Wynnum-Manly foreshore recently for the annual Bayside Walk hosted by Richie's Rainbow Foundation, supporting children and families impacted by childhood cancer.

Held in honour of Richie Walsh's legacy, the event was a powerful reminder of the strength, compassion and generosity that exists within our community.

Every dollar raised helps Richie's Rainbow Foundation continue its incredible work of supporting families during some of life's toughest moments.

Get to know our team!

Meet Hayley, Your Local Assistant Branch Manager

Hayley first started her banking career in Toowoomba in 2011 after having a poor customer service experience herself and thinking, "Surely banking can be done better than this."

What began as a role as a teller quickly grew into a career built around people, relationships and helping customers feel genuinely supported.

After relocating to Brisbane in 2017, Hayley worked across several Bendigo Bank branches before joining Community Bank Victoria Point and Wynnum Manly later that same year.

Now working as Assistant Branch Manager across both branches, Hayley plays an important role supporting both customers and staff each day. Whether she's helping customers navigate big life moments or making sure birthdays and milestones are celebrated within the team, she believes the small things matter.

Outside of work, Hayley is a proud mum of three and also helps run a family business alongside her husband. Being both a homeowner and small business owner herself gives her a practical understanding of the challenges and pressures many customers face.

What Hayley loves most about community banking is being part of peoples bigger picture; whether that's helping someone buy their first home, start a business or take an exciting next step in life.

Recognising the People Behind Community Sport

Community sport wouldn't exist without volunteers.

That's why we're proud to support the Wynnum Vikings AFC Volunteer of the Month initiative, recognising the people who give their time, energy and care to help local families and players each season.

Each month, a volunteer is recognised for their positive impact they make within the club community, receiving a $200 cash award proudly supported by our Community Bank Wynnum-Manly branch.

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PROFITS SHARED

Supporting Safer Communities

Community Bank Victoria Point are proud to support the launch of the Business Watch - Eyes on the Street trial in Victoria Point through our recent Community Grants Program.

The initiative brings together local businesses, Queensland Police, Crime Stoppers Queensland, Redlands Coast Chamber of Commerce and Redland City Council to help strengthen safety within local business precincts.

Using the Eyes on the Street App, business owners can quickly and anonymously report suspicious behaviour, helping create a safer, more connected community response.

These are the kind of local, practical initiatives your banking helps to make possible.

Stay in the Loop

Community Grants

Information on how to apply for upcoming Grants and Sponsorship programs.

Upcoming dates:
March - April 2027

Community Raffle

Register your interest to participate in our Community Raffle.

Upcoming dates:
August - October 2026

Tokens of Appreciation

Register your interest to be part of our future Tokens of Appreciation program (community groups only).

Keep up to date by following us on Social Media!

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