

Dungog Shire Bushfire Community Recovery and Resilience Grants

Guidelines and Application Form

Dungog Shire Council's round of ***Bushfire Community Recovery and Resilience Grant*** is funded via the Bushfire Community Recovery and Resilience Fund (BCRRF), provided through the joint Commonwealth/State Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements.

This fund is designed to support community recovery and resilience to future disasters by funding community-led projects and initiatives that will promote community well-being, social and broader recovery and/or future disaster resilience/preparedness following the bushfires. This round has allocated up to \$50,000 to fund local smaller-scale, short term community projects within **Dungog Shire LGA**.

The BCRRF guidelines have been developed in consultation with Emergency Management Australia and are supported by the National Bushfire Recovery Agency. Resilience NSW are the lead disaster management agency for NSW, responsible for all aspects of disaster recovery and building community resilience to future disasters.

Objective

The objective of the BCRRF is to deliver flexible, small-scale grants to local councils for smaller-scale, locally led community recovery activities. The purpose is to support communities to overcome the social impacts of bushfires and support resilience building within the community.

Eligibility

Dungog Shire Council BCRRF Grant Program applications must meet the following criteria:

- The project must be delivered within the Dungog Shire Local Government Area
- The project must be completed prior to 29 December 2023
- The project must align with a Disaster Recovery Outcome (see Outcomes on the next page)
- Maximum funding per project is \$10,000



- The applicant must be an incorporated non-government organisation, not-for-profit organisation, local community group, business chamber or industry group/peak body, unincorporated community group/cooperative
- Applicants must have the capacity and capabilities to establish, manage and be held accountable for the delivery of the project and intended outcomes
- Applicants must have the ability to report on the progress and agreed outcomes of the project

As per the BCRRF Phase two, Stream 1 Guidelines, the following projects will not be eligible for funding:

- Applications that request ongoing program funding
- Applications for projects and/or activities that are not related to community recovery/resilience attributed to the bushfire event
- Applications that request covering existing debts or budget deficits

Disaster Recovery Outcome

Applications must describe how the Project contributes to fulfil one or more of the following Disaster Recovery Outcomes:

1. The needs of vulnerable groups are addressed in disaster recovery
2. The community can express its changing disaster recovery needs
3. Community members are aware of the risks of future disasters
4. The community has improved capacity and capability to respond to future disasters
5. Business and not-for-profits have in place adequate mitigation practices for risks and threats
6. Government, private sector, civil society and organisations are engaged in plans for preparedness and management of the recovery

Grant Fund Timing

This Grants Program is intended to be delivered in accordance with the following schedule:

- Grant funding applications open on Monday 1 May 2023
- Applications close 5pm, Friday 30 June 2023
- Applications determined and successful projects announced week commencing 24 July 2023
- Projects must be delivered prior to 29 December 2023

Selection Criteria

Grant applications will be assessed on the following criteria:

- Total project cost
- Community benefit
- Capability to deliver and manage the project
- Alignment with disaster recovery outcomes

Please ensure that you have read and understood the guidelines as outlined in this document, before completing this application. It will help you determine if you are eligible for funding.

If you are eligible and can commit to the Guideline Conditions, complete this form and submit it by Friday 30 June 2023.

Email your completed application form and any supporting documentation directly to shirecouncil@dungog.nsw.gov.au

Contact: For further information or clarification, please contact Tracey Lowrey Community Project Officer on 0249957777 or email traceyl@dungog.nsw.gov.au

Privacy: Dungog Shire Council is committed to protecting your privacy. As such, Council will only use the provided information for the purposes of coordinating and managing this grants program.

Section 1 - Applicant Details

Applicant Name:			
Organisation Name:			
Organisation ABN:	(if applicable)		
GST registered?	Yes	No	
Address line 1:			
Address line 2:			
Town:		Postcode:	
Phone:		Fax:	
Email:			
Does the applicant want to be quoted in the program media releases?			
Preferred contact method:			

Section 2 – Project Details

Project Name:			
Project Description:			
Planned start date:			
Planned finish date:			
Project address:			
Town:		Postcode:	
Funding amount requested:			

Detail project expenditure (attach quotes or evidence of planned expenditure):

Explain who will benefit from this project (provide numbers and demographics if possible):

Explain your organisations ability to successfully deliver this project:

Explain how your project aligns with 1 or more of the Disaster Recovery Outcomes listed in the Grants Guidelines:

Are you partnering or have the support of another organisation? (explain or attached letters of support)

Applicant Signature:

Date:

Please email this completed application and supporting documentation to Attention Tracey Lowrey shirecouncil@dungog.nsw.gov.au by Friday 30 June 2023.

IMPORTANT NOTICE: Dungog Shire Council is collecting personal information you supply on this form in accordance with *NSW Local Government Act 2009*. The personal information collected on this form will be used for the administration and acquittal of **Dungog Shire Bushfire Community Recovery & Resilience Grant Program**. Personal information will be accessed by persons who have been authorised to do so. Your information will not be given to any other person or agency unless required by law. Your personal information is handled in accordance with *NSW Information Privacy Act 2012*. Any applications are reviewed and determined on an individual basis.