

# Circular 041:08:18



**To:** Club Treasurers  
Club Secretaries

**Cc:** Club Presidents  
Club Captains  
Gear and Equipment Officers  
Team Managers

**From:** Lifesaving Operations Department

**Date:** 8 August 2018

**Subject:** Grant Opportunity – ASC Community Sport Infrastructure Grant Program 2018-19

**Action:** Submit applications by Friday, 14 September 2018

**For additional details on this Circular, please contact the SLSA Grant Seeking Unit**

For assistance with your application you may wish to refer to the GSU's "Grant Application Guide for Clubs" – a copy of this document is available at <https://www.slsfoundation.com.au/grant-seeking-unit.aspx>

Please note: if your club would like the GSU to assist in the writing and submission of an application or if you have any questions regarding the application process, please contact:

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The Australian Sports Commission (ASC) have announced the opening of the **Community Sport Infrastructure Grant Program 2018-19**. The program will support minor capital projects of small to medium scale with grants of up to \$500,000.

The objective of these grants is to support local communities to participate, recreate, learn and develop together within the following two guiding themes, both which are focused on encouraging greater levels of participation in community sport and physical activity:

1. **Community Sporting Hubs** – projects that support use of infrastructure by new and diverse community groups, positioning local sporting facilities as relevant, central gathering places; the new 'town hall'.
2. **Inclusion** – projects that ensure community sport infrastructure evolves to meet changing needs of new user groups, so that all members of the community can participate.

Applications can support one or both themes or propose an additional innovation to increase participation.

**Types of projects supported:**

- Upgrades to playing surfaces, including multi-sport upgrades and resurfacing that supports increased use
- Building, expanding and/or upgrading change rooms, particularly for girls and women and officials' areas
- External entry/exit accessible amenities
- Improved sports lighting and safety lighting, including installation of solar panels
- Improvements to ground and court capacity that support increased use
- Improvements to spectator amenities; and
- Internal/external amenity uplift.



**Grant amount:**

The following three grant streams are available –

<b>Stream</b>	<b>Grant Range \$</b>
Stream 1	Up to \$50,000
Stream 2	Between \$50,001 and \$200,000
Stream 3	Between \$200,001 and \$500,000

There is no mandatory co-contribution required however this will be viewed favourably.

**Criteria:**

**1. Community Participation**

E.g. the extent to which the project leads to an increase in participation and inclusiveness of new or under represented user groups – a programs aim is to expand opportunities for women and girls, multicultural communities and people of all abilities to play sport and be physically active.

**2. Community Need**

E.g. the extent to which the project:

- is identified through a facility planning process and as a priority for local government and/or your club's State body
- Demonstrates local economic impact during construction and operation, including employment during and after construction

**3. Project Design and Delivery**

E.g. the extent to which the project has progressed:

- Project plan
- Approvals are submitted or in place to commence the project in 2018-19
- Project costs have been accurately identified

**Other Key Points to note:**

- Notification of results will commence from 1 November 2018
- Projects will need to be completed within the 2018/19 financial year i.e. by 30 June 2019
- The project you are applying for can only commence after a funding agreement has been executed therefore you cannot commence the building project (or stage of the project) that you are applying for until results are announced
- Ineligible projects include (but are not limited to):
  - projects that have existing Commonwealth, State/Territory funding E.g. VESEP, Surf Club Facilities, Get Playing, State Sport and Rec, Stronger Communities etc.).
  - projects that have already commenced
  - retrospective funding
  - public toilet facilities
  - repairs & maintenance
  - equipment
- **Application Attachments:** a number of documents are required to support applications – the number and detail required is relative to the project size, complexity and Stream within which you are applying. Please refer to 7.1 of the guidelines for full details.

The closing date for applications is **14 September 2018**. Full details including the guidelines and access to the application form are available at:

[https://www.sportaus.gov.au/grants\\_and\\_funding/community\\_sport\\_infrastructure\\_grant\\_program](https://www.sportaus.gov.au/grants_and_funding/community_sport_infrastructure_grant_program)