



Frequently Asked Questions

What is the maximum funding amount I can apply for?

Partnerships are for the full amount of \$60,000 over three (3) years.

Can I apply for more than one grant?

No. You can only apply for one grant per program year.

Will there be another funding round following this one?

There are three funding rounds – 2023, 2026, 2029. Applications will open in July within those years and close November.

Who can apply for the Program?

Not for Profit organisations, Auspice organisations, Social Enterprises and Registered Training Organisations, as described in the partnership guidelines can apply to this Program.

What may the Program fund?

- ◇ Initiatives and projects which align to Marinus Link's Sustainability Framework priorities;
- ◇ Initiatives and projects which align to Burnie City Councils Strategic Plan objectives;
- ◇ Volunteer recruitment and retention initiatives;
- ◇ Employment of locals to support the delivery of environmental or industry related outcomes;
- ◇ Community programs to assist Burnie locals, to be social, active or healthy;
- ◇ Series of events within the Burnie City Council municipal area.

What won't the Program fund?

- ◇ Events or initiatives outside of Burnie City Council municipal area;
- ◇ Multiple applications from the one group in the same program year;
- ◇ Maintenance and improvements of Council assets;
- ◇ Infrastructure projects that require additional funding to deliver and maintain;
- ◇ Programs that advocate religion or faith, or;
- ◇ Activities that are due to happen (or have happened) before a decision on a Program application is made.

Who will be assessing applications?

A panel consisting of Marinus Link and Burnie City Council officers will assess applications.

I am not a Burnie resident, but I am a member of an organisation that is in the Burnie City Council municipal area. Can I still apply for a funding grant?

Yes, as a representative of an organisation within the Burnie Municipality you can still apply for funding.

What supporting documentation is required to apply for the Program?

Supporting documentation includes:

- ◇ Program delivery timeline and milestones;
- ◇ Letters of support;
- ◇ Quotations and fee for service estimates;
- ◇ Budget planning, and;
- ◇ If applying under an auspice, confirmation of the auspice organisation's support of the application.

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I don't have access to a computer is there anywhere I can go to access one?

The Burnie Library has public access machines where you can use a computer and access the internet for free. You may contact our Community Grants Team* to arrange a time to access a computer onsite while submitting your application.

Where can I get additional support and assistance with my application and queries?

Assistance links are located within the application forms. Or contact our *Community Grants Team* for assistance or to book an appointment.

If I start my application and don't have all the information to complete this, can I save this without losing the information?

Provided you save your progress on your application you can access this to update and input additional information until the grants round deadline.

If my grant is successful when will the funding be paid?

We will include a funding deed that will set out the purpose and conditions of the partnership that you will need to accept, sign and return before the grant is paid to your nominated bank account in early 2024.

Do I need to provide a letter of support with my application?

Letters of support should be included to bolster your application.

Can I submit a printed application form?

Applications must be submitted via the online platform SmartyGrants, no printed applications will be accepted.

Why has the applications deadline for the Program been set for midnight on 21 November 2023?

To enable a thorough assessment process of each application and to submit recommendations for the release of the funding by the end of 2023.

How will successful grant applicants be notified of the outcome of their application?

We will notify you by email.

Can we still apply for the 60% Community discount to hire the Burnie Arts & Function Centre as part of our project/initiative?

Those that wish to hire the Burnie Arts and Function Centre need to add the full venue hire into the application. Then, if you are eligible the 60% discounted community rate will be applied. Allowing more funding to spend on other associated costs with the grant application.

Our organisation has previously received Burnie City Council funding. Do we need to wait three years before applying for another grant?

No. The Program is open to all eligible organisations, regardless of whether they have received Burnie City Council funding recently.

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