

# NorthConnex Community grants

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NorthConnex will link the M1 Pacific Motorway at Wahroonga to the Hills M2 Motorway at West Pennant Hills. Our grant scheme has been developed to support and deliver positive outcomes for local communities.

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## About the scheme

The scheme provides grants for initiatives that deliver benefits to the local community. Our scheme is aligned with our work and focuses on delivering outcomes in:

- Safe and accessible transport
- Local communities
- Education and training.

## Funding

Community grants are available for up to \$10,000.

Limited funds are available and applicants will be selected on merit. Grant funds must be spent within three months unless previously agreed with NorthConnex Company.

## Key dates

Applications close **9am Monday 6 May**. Applicants will be advised of the outcome of their applications by **Friday 7 June**.

Other exclusions are made when necessary for applications associated with government, political, religious causes or other factors that may conflict with Transurban policies.

## Eligibility

To be eligible for a community grant your organisation must have *Deductible Gift Recipient (DGR)* status. DGR's must be listed with the Australian Tax Office (ATO). Grants will not be paid to:

- for-profit organisations
- political groups
- labour, trade or business organisations
- religious groups (except initiatives that support a non-religious purpose)
- fundraising events such as raffles, telethons, walk-a-thons or auctions
- chairs, endowments or scholarships sponsored by academic or non-profit institutions
- special events such as conferences, symposia or sports competitions
- organisations that support or participate in activities inconsistent with our Diversity Policy
- cover ongoing administrative costs
- projects or events that have already occurred.

The initiative should benefit communities close to NorthConnex.



## Application process

Applications must be made in writing to [ncxcommunitymanager@transurban.com](mailto:ncxcommunitymanager@transurban.com) and address the following:

- What the money is proposed to be used for
- If additional funds are needed, how these are proposed to be acquired
- How the proposal would benefit the local community
- How the proposal fits into the assessment criteria
- When the funding is proposed to be used.

Applications should be no more than two A4 pages.

## Terms and conditions

After grants are awarded, recipients will be sent a grant acquittal and feedback form asking them to confirm the use and outcomes of the grant. Financial details, community outcomes, photos and supporting information may be requested as required.

It is a condition of the grant that funds are put towards the specific activities outlined in the application, and that this can be supported by the grant acquittal information.



## Assessment criteria

Applications are reviewed with a preference for the following criteria:

- Benefit communities close to NorthConnex
- Ability to achieve lasting benefits
- The potential to help overcome barriers to transport, mobility and community inclusion
- The potential to improve the lives of disadvantaged or underprivileged groups
- How specific the application is about the grant's intended use and expected outcomes
- Whether the grant will help create community benefits that may not otherwise be possible without grant support.