

## **Cubico Community Grants Program Guidelines**

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### **Introduction**

The Cubico Sustainable Investments Community Grants Program aims to provide financial support to community initiatives, events and projects that align with local aspirations of people living in the areas near its renewable energy projects.

Community wellbeing and connection is more important than ever, and the Cubico Community Grants Program supports meaningful community initiatives during the development phase of renewable energy projects.

Priority will be given to initiatives that deliver a meaningful benefit to the communities closest to the Cubico's projects. Cubico notes that groups submitting a grant or sponsorship application (or receiving funding) will not be registered as supporting the projects.

These grants are in addition to Cubico's larger, long term Community Benefits Programs which will be developed for each project in collaboration with communities and local stakeholders.

This document outlines the eligibility, application and assessment process for delivering the Cubico Community Grants Program and aims to provide clarity to community groups and organisations seeking grants or sponsorship funding.

### **Applicant Eligibility Criteria**

Anyone who lives in the local community and has an idea for a community-focused project can submit an application, provided the eligibility criteria is met.

Applications are open to not-for-profit organisations and must have either a valid ABN **or** an auspice agreement with a project partner holding a valid ABN.

Applications will be assessed using the following criteria:

- The nominated project, initiative or event must be delivered within the Local Government Areas closest to Cubico's projects, and to bring benefits to the communities closest to the relevant project location.
- Applications should align with existing Council and community priorities
- Applications should demonstrate a benefit to the local community
- Applications include opportunities to promote community awareness of the Cubico's projects

- Applications for community projects and events are encouraged – particularly projects which address key areas;
  - Health and wellbeing
  - Disaster relief and emergency preparedness
  - Community connection and social enhancement
  - First Nations projects and priorities
  - Environment and conservation
  - Arts and tourism

Projects will be considered *ineligible* if they are requests from:

- Religious organisations for purposes exclusive to one religious faith
- Political organisations
- Travel costs (such as for sporting teams) or third-party fundraising
- Organisations for ongoing or retrospective costs (such as salaries)
- Projects which are already underway
- Projects which are usually funded by government
- Projects which will primarily benefit an individual or business

The project should not:

- attempt to change the law/direct political donations
- break any laws
- operate purely for commercial gain
- involve gambling
- exclude or offend any part of the community
- encourage violence or involve the use of weapons
- mistreat, exploit or harm animals
- create environmental hazards
- present a danger to public health or safety
- contribute to modern slavery

### **Assessment of Applications**

The process for the assessment of all applications for funding is as follows:

1. Funding applications recorded and acknowledged.
2. Applications assessed for eligibility criteria and shortlisted
3. The project team will recommend successful applicants and level of funding for endorsement.
4. Applicants will be notified of the outcome of their application
5. Successful applicants will be sent an email and a Funding Agreement Form. This contract is between Cubico Sustainable Investments and the applicant and outlines the approved funding and payment terms and conditions.
6. Once the Funding Agreement Form is signed and returned, with banking verification and a tax invoice, funds will be transferred.

### **Acquittal and Evaluation Process**

- An Acquittal form will be required for each applicant at project or event completion.
- An illustration of the benefit from the Community Benefit Fund through photos, and promotion should also be provided.

### **Privacy**

Please refer to the relevant Cubico Privacy Policy:

- [Curyo Wind Farm](#)
- [Marmadua Energy Park](#)
- [Middle Creek Energy Hub](#)

### **Contact**

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