



Community Grants 2018 – successful applicants

Organisation name and project title	Brief project description	Grant amount
Africa Day Australia Inc Africa's Got Talent	Africa's Got Talent is an alternative pathway for young African Australian youth to productively engage their talents/pursuits with view to carving out career prospects.	\$15,000
African Communities Elderly Association Vic Visit to Phillip Island	We want to stay together and to take the group on a three day visit to Phillip Island. During this visit it is an opportunity for us to spend time together, talk and discuss our individual history. The trip will provide opportunities for new members to get to know older members and to visit a place in Victoria that many have not been to before.	\$2000
Afro Australian Student Organisation Karibu to Melbourne! - International Student Welcome Program	Karibu to Melbourne! International Student Welcome program provides social engagement activities for African International students, addressing the psychosocial adjustment difficulties many international undergraduate and graduate students of African descent face when moving to Melbourne for higher education. The program also includes a mentoring program providing support in the transition to tertiary life and a much-needed network for international students.	\$3000
Alice's Garage MASK: gay and men's experiences of living with criminalised sexual orientation	The project addresses the stigma and shame some gay and bisexual men still feel as a result of living through an era where their sexual orientation was criminalised - in order to promote healing and a sense of belonging. Workshops with gay and bisexual men will document their experiences using masks, photographs and podcasts. An exhibition for Midsumma Festival will provide an opportunity for the men to feel heard.	\$12,000
Carlton Gardens Probus Club Carlton Gardens Probus Club Venue Hire	The Club has recently been informed by International House that the arrangements entered into whereby we had free use of a meeting room once a month has now been withdrawn. We can continue the use of the facility but the cost will be \$350 per session i.e. \$4100 per year. We are applying for this grant to help subsidise our annual fees to remain an affordable cost for our members.	\$2085

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<p>Carlton Neighbourhood Learning Centre</p> <p>Community Garden Compost Micro-enterprise Start up</p>	<p>Establish a micro-enterprise that collects food waste from the community in order to create and sell compost. The project builds on our 'Green Team' training course. This activity will develop participants' business skills, create employment opportunities, nurture good mental and physical health, connect diverse local communities and encourage sustainable activity that benefits the whole community. The grant will fund the set-up so that the activity can become self-supporting.</p>	<p>\$10,000</p>
<p>Carlton Residents Association</p> <p>Carlton Neighbour Day 2018</p>	<p>Carlton Residents Association will partner with the University of Melbourne and City of Melbourne's Kathleen Syme Library and Community Centre to deliver Carlton Neighbour Day on Sunday 25 March 2018. This half-day set of activities will encourage neighbours in Carlton to meet and build relationships. Activities will be free and encourage interaction across the diverse sub-groupings of Carlton. The event is based on the successful pilot held in 2017.</p>	<p>\$3000</p>
<p>Carlton Senior Citizen Organisation</p> <p>Carlton Senior Citizen festivals and celebrations</p>	<p>We would like to have a celebration for all the Australian public holidays that are themed around the reason for the holiday including Australia Day. We will also organise celebration and mini festivals for all the Chinese festive days including Chinese New Year and Moon festival.</p>	<p>\$1400</p>
<p>Chinese Arts Association of Melbourne Inc</p> <p>Community Singing and Dancing Activities For the Chinese Seniors</p>	<p>Group meets weekly to provide singing and dancing activities and provide support to the Chinese seniors. Project will support these activities. The group is coordinated by volunteers and we perform at local community events like the Chinese New Year festival, Dragon Boat festival and Mid-Autumn festival.</p>	<p>\$2500</p>
<p>Chinese Community Health Advisory of Australia Inc.</p> <p>Chinese Community Health Advisory of Australia Inc.</p>	<p>Provide free medical and health-related information and support to community in weekly meetings and community consultation groups. Hold monthly public lectures on medical and health-related topics, providing forum for discussion on common disease. Attend regular radio broadcast on medical and health-related topics. Host special events to promote health and well-being during Chinese festivals and holidays. Annual publication on medical and health-related topics.</p>	<p>\$3000</p>
<p>Circolo Pensionati Italiani di Kensington Inc.</p> <p>Day Bus Outings/trips</p>	<p>To provide and organize three bus outings for the members. These outings will allow members whom are socially isolated and live alone and have no way of going out due to age and illness, to connect and socialize and feel worthy of living. Aim is to improve self-worth and reduce stigma of aging and mental illness.</p>	<p>\$1500</p>

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CoderDojo Carlton CoderDojo Carlton	CoderDojo Carlton offers a free, bi-weekly coding club for 7-17 year olds at the Kathleen Syme Library and Community Centre. Our program develops young, local people, ensuring they have adequate skills for future jobs in the new knowledge economy. We wish to explore coding, robotics and foster retention and a greater sense of inclusion with club shirts, our own website and end-of-term celebrations to reward the hardworking participants and volunteers.	\$2597
cohealth cohealth Kangaroos	The cohealth Kangaroos sporting program aims to create pathways for those most disadvantaged to re-engage with their local communities. To help facilitate this, sport is used as one of the main focuses in creating a supportive environment which allows program participants to form positive relationships and connections to the community.	\$1800
Drill Hall Residents Association Worm Farm for Community Garden	The project will extend the present successful sustainability program engaging Drill Hall residents, Multicultural Hub, cohealth and wider local community in the Therry street in our community garden. It will enable more accessibility for children and residents with disability. It will extend community assets e.g. balcony gardens/common areas. It will strengthen the local community building networks and be a prominent example for urban sustainability.	\$2990
East Melbourne Historical Society <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Printing of newsletters and flyers. 2. 2 Website maintenance 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Colour printing of newsletters and flyers: 2. Website maintenance to include payments to service providers and domain name. 	\$1500
Eritrean Jeberti Community in Australia Inc Aussie Jeberti Day	The Aussie Jeberti day is to showcase achievements by members the Eritrean Jeberti Community in Australia. Promote the Jeberti culture and create an atmosphere of belonging to the elderly and vulnerable members of the community. It is an award and recognition based event aiming to promote a very liveable and harmonious Melbourne.	\$3200
Fair Food Challenge Skillet: Community Food Skillshare	Fair Food Challenge is proposing to run a community kitchen program called 'Skillet: community food skillshare' that will offer the opportunity for students from all cultural backgrounds to come together and engage in peer-to-peer learning activities to teach each other to cook and to sit down and share meals with each other.	\$12,610

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Flemington Kensington News Flemington Kensington Community Newspaper	The project seeks to collaboratively publish a quarterly local community newspaper and deliver it to 10,000 homes.	\$3000
Football Empowerment Soccer programs for Girls and Juniors from CALD communities	Soccer programs targeting females and juniors from CALD communities based at the affordable housing facilities in Kensington and North Melbourne. Due to cultural barriers, parents often restrict their daughters and children from actively involving them in organized sports. This project will allow us to break those barriers and give opportunities for a number of children and females from different age groups to regularly participate in sport.	\$2800
Greek & Cypriot Senior Citizens of Melbourne Meals and Day trips	To organize a hot cooked meal and day trips by bus for the members.	\$1000
Guide Dogs Victoria Dialogue In The Dark TV (Dialogue.tv) social campaign	Dialogue in the Dark (DiD) is an experience in total darkness through which, led by blind guides, visitors explore The City of Melbourne by relying on other senses. The DiD exhibition opens to the public at Docklands on 2-05-2017. GDV requests \$20,000 to implement the 'Dialogue.tv' social campaign. Dialogue.tv will be an interactive, user-generated that will encourage DiD visitors to contribute to shaping the future for a more inclusive Melbourne.	\$20,000
Hepatitis Victoria Melbourne Hep B Free - Building a Community Coalition to Address Hepatitis B Health Disparity in the Chinese community	Chinese Community in City of Melbourne are 10 times more likely than general community to have Hepatitis B consequently 12 times more likely to develop liver cancer. CALD community coalitions are key to addressing health disparities, pooling resources and providing the means to develop, sustain and deliver effective grassroots approaches. We'll develop a multi-faceted coalition within the Chinese Community for long-term, strategic engagement addressing preventable high prevalence of HepB in this community.	\$19,500
HerSpace Limited HerCircle - A community building mental health group program for women affected by sexual exploitation.	HerCircle will support women who self-identify as being affected by sexual exploitation. Survivors face severe trauma, social isolation, and difficulty finding support services and pathways out of exploitation. Her Circle's specialised counsellors will offer healing through trauma-informed art therapy, mindfulness and psycho-education. This will enable participants to develop interpersonal and emotional regulation skills, address isolation and create support systems to increase safety and address disadvantage.	\$13,890

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<p>Hotham Mission</p> <p>A community study of hunger and food insecurity among young people in and around North Melbourne, with immediate intervention and support as required.</p>	<p>Hotham Mission's food relief work in inner Melbourne over the last five years has revealed a surprisingly high level of hunger and food insecurity among adolescents, especially from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds. Hotham set up a Social Research Unit in 2016 to better understand this little-researched area, and now wishes to conduct deeper research through studying - and immediately supporting - a group of young people drawn from local schools.</p>	<p>\$15,000</p>
<p>Incubate Foundation</p> <p>Employment Mentor Coordination</p>	<p>Incubate Foundation have provided mentor activities through a range of our programs such as the Legal series linking final year law students to barristers in partnership with the Victorian Bar. In addition we are developing a employment programs with other organisations including Victoria Police. Partner and Member feedback indicate a need for mentor training for individual mentors, cultural diversity training for organisational mentors and robust mentor matching with mentees.</p>	<p>\$18,070</p>
<p>Inner Melbourne Community Legal</p> <p>International Student Legal Information Project - Tenancy ("ISLI Project - Tenancy")</p>	<p>We intend to deliver a community legal education ('CLE') session on tenancy rights for international students studying at universities and private education providers in Melbourne. In total, the program will deliver at least 4 legal education seminars, assisting up to 200 students. Emphasis will be placed on targeting those students identified as being most vulnerable, including those enrolled in registered training organisations and language schools.</p>	<p>\$15,000</p>
<p>Islamic Council of Victoria</p> <p>SalamFest, Muslim Arts Festival</p>	<p>SalamFest, Muslim Arts Festival, is a highly anticipated three day long festival to be held in November in the heart of the Melbourne at the iconic State Library Victoria. This festival follows on from the successful pilot that was held in October 2016 and forms part of the cultural development of the multicultural fabric of Melbourne and in particular, the Australian Muslim community.</p>	<p>\$20,000</p>
<p>Kensington Chinese Friendship Association Inc</p> <p>Healthy Life for the Chinese seniors</p>	<p>We will run the following weekly activities: singing group, physical exercise including playing table tennis, Mahjong and pool game, long distance walking group outside, a crafting group, information sessions and outings</p>	<p>\$2500</p>
<p>Kensington Neighbourhood House</p> <p>Return to the Dollhouse</p>	<p>The project will facilitate cross-cultural and cross-generational connections between Kensington women by targeting women of various ages and cultural backgrounds. These women will come together for ten weeks to tell their stories, share their culture and aspirations through the creation of a hand-sewn doll made in their image. It will also revisit some of the women who participated in a similar project 25 years ago to tell their stories today.</p>	<p>\$9450</p>

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Life Activities Clubs Victoria Out there in Melbourne: Street orienteering	This project aims to promote healthy activity and togetherness for older people by offering an easy walking (orienteering) activity, Melbourne's Laneways, as part of the Victorian Seniors Festival 2017. People can participate in the event for free, there will be prizes for the activity and it will combine a 90 minute walk, a 'challenge' to read a map and find answers to clues. Everyone welcome to participate.	\$2250
Marco Polo Project Out of the Box	The project proposes to pilot and develop scaling models for a new program called 'Out of the Box'. 'Out of the Box' is a highly innovative, holistic experiential learning program intended to help international students stretch their cultural comfort zone and develop the skills and mindsets to embrace their time studying in Melbourne as a unique life-changing experience, on a personal and emotional level.	\$5750
Melbourne Line Dancing Group Line Dancing	Every Thursday, from 10am-2pm. we have line dancing, Chinese Cultural dancing, Rock roll, Health exercises at Federation Square. We attract many local elderlies to enjoy with us.	\$2000
Melbourne Sunrise Probus Club Inc Healthy Living for Seniors	We offer a program of outings, speakers and interest groups for social interactions for members of various cultural, ethnic and vocational backgrounds. With 10% of Melbourne residents being aged over 60, this group is growing. We are living longer and are more active than previous generations. Therefore developing new skills is important. Funding is sought for core running costs of MSPC and tuition in emergency first aid procedures.	\$2850
Mission to Seafarers Inc Mission to Seafarers Gardening Club	The secret garden at the Mission to Seafarers is in need of some long term care. We aim to establish a club for the residents of the City of Melbourne and Docklands, will provide the community with a meeting place and a project to get involved. Working with the Centre for Adult Education (CAE) we will provide a fortnightly facilitated gardening workshop and morning tea.	\$13,000
Morning Exercise Melbourne Incorporated Physical activity for women and seniors from multicultural community groups	The proposed activity will engage women from senior groups to access physical exercise which include Chinese square dance, line dance and Taichi. The activities will be organised five days a week from Monday to Friday morning at the front door area of the Royal Exhibition Centre. The association has over 80 members and majority of them are city of Melbourne's residents, people can access the activity free of charge.	\$3000

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<p>myriad collective</p> <p>myriad collective presents: Trans and gender diverse showcase!</p>	<p>In celebration of IDAHOBIT (International Day Against Homophobia, Biphobia, Intersex discrimination, and Transphobia), myriad collective are proud to present our 5th annual celebration of transgender and gender diverse creativity and community. This features, two performance nights, starring ten TGD performers, a month-long art exhibition featuring ten TGD visual artists and a facilitated creative industries workshop, led by a panel of four TGD artists.</p>	<p>\$12,500</p>
<p>North and West Melbourne Senior Citizens Centre Inc</p> <p>Melrose Art Group : Art for All Cultures</p>	<p>Melrose Art Group: Art for All Cultures is an initiative to expand our group into the local community and to attract all cultures to our proposed program. The program will stimulate our current members (already a multicultural group) to put their story and life experiences into their Art. The project will build on the success of the six month pilot project funded by the City of Melbourne(Ageing and Inclusion).</p>	<p>\$15,000</p>
<p>Northern and Inner Multiple Birth Association Inc</p> <p>Multiples in the City project</p>	<p>The project aims to work across the City of Melbourne (CoM) to promote the work of NIMBA, to connect and support CoM multiple birth families. The project will promote NIMBA via numerous channels including hospitals and maternal health services to boost CoM membership, and provide initiatives that support knowledge and connection (tailored parenting sessions) to address the unique but challenging experience of raising multiples.</p>	<p>\$2712</p>
<p>Open Table</p> <p>Open Table Food Waste Workshops</p>	<p>The project will expand on Open Table's existing event model but place greater emphasis on active participation. The project will involve workshops twice a month for 10 months per calendar year, which teach participants to use surplus food at home effectively and to reduce food waste in the home. Participants will cook a meal together made from donated surplus food and share the meal and conversation together at the end.</p>	<p>\$14,120</p>
<p>Oromo Sports Federation Australia</p> <p>Australian Oromo Soccer Tournament</p>	<p>Round robin type soccer tournament. We have been using JJ Holland park for the last 5 years. Eight teams to participate in the Annual Oromo Soccer Tournament which has expanded from year to year and . In this year's tournament, a team from Sydney will participate for the first time. This is also the best way to engage youth outside their work and school lives.</p>	<p>\$10,000</p>

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<p>Project Respect</p> <p>Capacity building for services to be more knowledgeable about and responsive to women in the sex industry and women trafficked to Australia</p>	<p>This project will develop partnerships with social, community and welfare service providers across the City of Melbourne (CoM). Through these partnerships Project Respect will deliver capacity building training to increase the knowledge and responsiveness of services to Women in the sex industry (WISI), including women trafficked to Australia. Formal referral pathways will be developed with strong feedback loops to ensure effectiveness and long term social change.</p>	<p>\$17,448</p>
<p>Ross House Association Inc.</p> <p>Accessible Community Facilities – Modern amenities at Ross House</p>	<p>Ross House Association (RHA) empowers a community of small environment and social justice organisations to work together for social change by providing affordable office space, meeting room facilities, resources, equipment and a collaborative and supportive environment.</p> <p>RHA is seeking funding to expand and refurbish the ground level toilet facilities to meet growing demand and provide a fully accessible DDA compliant bathroom and shower facility</p>	<p>\$20,000</p>
<p>Safe Steps Family Violence Response Centre</p> <p>Getting The Word Out: You can live free from family violence</p>	<p>This awareness-raising project will provide the community with critical information about family violence in public venues across the municipality. Posters and brochures in English and ten other languages will be installed in various locations, tracking brochure uptake and monitoring demand (including any spikes) on services to inform future approaches about how to most effectively communicate what family violence response options are available to keep women and children from harm.</p>	<p>\$14,029</p>
<p>Salvation Army 'Adult Services' Support in Public Housing Program</p> <p>Community Vegetable and Ornamental Garden Project</p>	<p>The community vegetable and ornamental garden is a hands on, ongoing project that utilises the rear court yard of the high rise where the residents can grow edible produce and create an environment that is pleasant to relax in. The older persons high rise accommodates 110 residents. The amount of people that make use of the garden is considerable with a fluid group of people participating in activities maintaining to the garden</p>	<p>\$1500</p>
<p>Self Advocacy Resource Unit</p> <p>SARU - Ten Years of Resourcing and Supporting Self Advocacy Groups</p>	<p>The SARU will hold a celebratory event marking ten years of resourcing and supporting self-advocacy groups. The event would attract representatives from self-advocacy groups across Victoria and other key stakeholders including local, state and commonwealth government officials, politicians, NDIA management and staff, disability service and mainstream service providers. It would celebrate the key achievements of all involved, including the support from the City of Melbourne.</p>	<p>\$17,904</p>

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<p>Shakti Migrant & Refugee Women's Support Group Melbourne Inc.</p> <p>Second Chance Women's Empowerment Programme</p>	<p>Since 2011 Shakti has been providing culturally specialist services to Asian, African, & Middle Eastern women in Domestic Violence Intervention and Prevention. Survivors from such intervention will go through this project which will enable creation of pathways to self-reliance and overcoming of barriers such as lack of English, inability to drive, low self-esteem and financial dependence. The Program will seek local collaboration with other providers and promote community engagement</p>	<p>\$14,250</p>
<p>Slavic Welfare Association Inc.</p> <p>"Colours of Imagination" Project</p>	<p>We are going to organize art and craft exhibition of art works for our elderly clients and volunteers. We will organize four art and craft sessions with instructor.</p> <p>We are going to organize an opening night, invite our clients and volunteers and other community members.</p>	<p>\$1500</p>
<p>Somali Community Inc.</p> <p>Somali Community's Wellbeing and Support Services Project</p>	<p>This project is designed to help enhance the lives the Somali Community living in the inner west of Melbourne (City of Melbourne municipality) through day to day support with their issues.</p>	<p>\$3000</p>
<p>South Yarra Soccer Club Inc</p> <p>Sustainably increasing and retaining female participation in the City of Melbourne</p>	<p>We want to undertake a holistic program of best practice activities (refer attached) to form at least 3 additional female teams in 2018 (48 participants), retain other female teams and more so to create sustainable foundations to retain and increase female participation over time. It takes much more to get girls /women engaged into a traditional male dominated sport than just a "bit of promotional marketing" and a discount.</p>	<p>\$6250</p>
<p>Spanish Speaking Elderly Group of North Melbourne Inc</p> <p>Craft Making</p>	<p>Each year the ladies participate in knitting, crochet, doll making, sewing projects and alike. Each month there is a new project given to the ladies and all supplies is given to them prior to commencement. There is a president and a treasurer who are in charge of organising this for each of the 22 ladies.</p>	<p>\$1500</p>
<p>St Joseph's Flexible Learning Centre</p> <p>Engaging through Sailing</p>	<p>We are seeking to invite a group of young women from St Joseph's Flexible Learning Centre to engage in a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to crew the training tall ship Enterprize on a two-night, three-day sailing voyage. During the trip students will be taught by the crew and Master how to set, handle, douse and furl the sails, and basic navigation, all the while developing team skills and bonds with their shipmates.</p>	<p>\$8500</p>

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The Aussie Hands Foundation Inc. Move and Groove with Aussie Hands	Aussie Hands would like to present "Move and Groove with Aussie Hands" a mentoring project targeting 25 children between the ages of 3-15yrs with hand differences. Hand differences can range from having less fingers than would be expected to the complete absence of fingers. The project will bring adults and children with hand differences together to get more active, develop body confidence and build supportive relationships.	\$5675
The Huddle True Cityzens	True Cityzens is an emerging leaders program using the power of sport as a vehicle for youth engagement. It will be delivered to young people from multicultural backgrounds who live, work and play in the City of Melbourne to impart critical 'off field' life skills. It will utilise an assets based approach to identify and strengthen the potential of young people to contribute positively to community life	\$18,050
The Probus Club of Carlton-Parkville Inc Membership and Community retirement activities	Carlton-Parkville Probus Club wishes to limit membership fee increases and to continue to provide a wide range of activities - extending to the likes of a visit to the Salvation Army Heritage Centre Museum, in Bourke St. - for seniors to enhance health, learning and wellbeing.	\$2085
Travellers Aid Australia Supporting the Supporter	The Support the Supporter project aims to break down the barrier of travel for people experiencing mobility challenges to attend AFL games at the MCG. Access to and from Richmond and Jolimont Stations platforms to the MCG can be challenging for those who are frail or have a physical disability. This project looks to resolve this issue by utilising Assistance Buggies eliminating distance, gradient and crowd related challenges.	\$20,000
U3A Melburne City Upgrade of computer facilities	One of our strategic goals is to improve our technology platforms. File storage, retrieval and sharing has been identified as an area for improvement. A single, shared depository for documents relating to organisational history, governance and operations is lacking. Also, the purchase of laptop computer would be an asset for volunteers to take to meetings. This is heading towards a multi-user, convenient, flexible work-space.	\$2500
United through Football Inc. Required United through football festival and leadership forum	The United Through Football Inc. runs the annual United Through Football Festival. The event is the single most important African Australian Community leadership/cultural sporting event in Australia. Members of the Horn of African communities use this event as platform to engage young disadvantaged youth with the wider Australian society	\$10,000

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<p>Uniting Church Gospel Hall Melbourne (Yee Hong Group)</p> <p>Caring and Sharing</p>	<p>Providing several outdoor activities throughout the year for our members; Creating the opportunities for the seniors to increase their physical activities so as to improve their physical and mental health; Encouraging them to adopt a more positive attitude towards life; Giving them the opportunity to improve their connections with the community; Inviting guest speakers to talk on health issues as to improve the perception of safety and good health.</p>	<p>\$1500</p>
<p>Women and Mentoring - WAM Ltd</p> <p>Targeted pilot of mentoring for criminalised women residing in City of Melbourne</p>	<p>This project targets women in City of Melbourne who are at risk of offending, or in their early stages of contact with the criminal justice system. We will pilot an extension of our established mentoring program to recruit and train five new volunteer mentors specifically to work with participants who reside in City of Melbourne, and promote the service to support agencies within City of Melbourne.</p>	<p>\$2923</p>
<p>Youlden Parkville Cricket Club</p> <p>Physical Literacy Program</p>	<p>Working across 4 local primary schools each once a week over 42 weeks appoint a physical literacy facilitator to provide activities to get primary school age children moving & regularly and enhance their gross and fine motor skills.</p> <p>As a community club grow and retain participation by better support/education of our club and volunteer networks and enhancement of the player pathway between local schools and our club</p>	<p>\$20,000</p>