



Sports Development Grants 2010/11 Guidelines

1. INTRODUCTION

The Sports Development Grants have been developed to assist individuals and teams who are striving to participate in their chosen sport. These grants provide financial assistance for individuals and teams affiliated with a sporting club within the Banyule region to meet their travel, equipment and training needs.

The Sports Development Grants will also reward clubs who are working hard to develop their sport within Banyule and who encourage people from all walks of life to participate in sport.

Banyule City Council is very pleased to contribute towards the development of sporting clubs and individuals.

2. OBJECTIVES

The objectives of the Sports Development grants are:

- 2.1 To provide individuals and teams with support that will assist them to develop their full potential within their chosen sport within Banyule.
- 2.2 To provide financial assistance to individuals and teams within Banyule to meet their travel, equipment and training needs.
- 2.3 To encourage greater participation in sport by helping to raise the standard and profile of local athletes and teams who are high achievers.

3. PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Individuals or teams within Banyule can apply for three different types of grants. These grants include the following:

- 3.1 **Travel Subsidy**
The Sports Travel Subsidy provides assistance for individuals and teams to travel to regional, national and/or international events and/or competition.
- 3.2 **Equipment Subsidy**
The Equipment Subsidy provides assistance for individuals and/or teams who demonstrate a need for new equipment to develop their sport within Banyule or their efforts to reach a higher level.
- 3.3 **Training Subsidy**
The Training Subsidy provides assistance for individuals and/or teams who show a need for training or coaching assistance to develop their sport within Banyule or their efforts to reach a higher level.

4. ELIGIBILITY

The Sports Development Grants are available to individuals or teams who meet the below criteria:

- 4.1 Individual applicants must be permanent residents of the City of Banyule and must be affiliated with a club that resides in the City of Banyule.
- 4.2 Team applicants must be affiliated with a club that resides in the City of Banyule.
- 4.3 Applicants who do not meet criteria 4.1 and 4.2 may be considered for a grant where:
 - They are a permanent resident within the City of Banyule and;
 - Can demonstrate why they cannot participate in their chosen sports within the municipality. Supporting evidence will need to be supplied with the application.
- 4.4 Team or individual applicants have not received a subsidy in the last 12 months.
- 4.5 Applicants must have a letter of support and confirmation from their sporting club or National/State Association detailing their team and/or individual selection. This letter must also outline how the grant will assist the individual/or team.
- 4.6 Applicants can only apply for one subsidy per application.

Sports Equipment Subsidy Only:

- 4.7 In addition to the above, applicants must have proof of equipment purchased (i.e. receipt) when applying for the Sports Equipment Subsidy (where applicable).

5. APPLICATION PROCEDURE

The Sports Development Grants are administered by Banyule City Council as follows:

- 5.1 There are four application rounds available each financial year. Applications are accepted during the below dates:
 - **1st July – 30th September**
 - **1st October – 31st December**
 - **1st January - 31st March**
 - **1st April – 30th June**

- 5.2 Applicants must complete and returned the Sports Development Grants Application Form to the Sports and Community Liaison Officer by the closing date of each application round listed above. Please send applications to:

**Banyule City Council
Sports and Community Liaison Officer
PO Box 51
IVANHOE 3079**

Fax: 9499 9475

- 5.3 All applications must submit a letter of support and confirmation from their sporting club or National/State Association detailing their team and/or individual selection. This letter must also demonstrate how the sports grant will assist the individual or team in their development.
- 5.4 Applicants applying for an equipment grant must submit evidence of costs incurred/ to be incurred i.e. receipt or proof of purchase. Please attach to application.
- 5.5 Applications will be assessed by Council Officers. In assessing the applications the selection panel will, where necessary, consult with the applicants club, coach or sporting association.
- 5.6 Unsuccessful applicants can apply in following application rounds, however they must re-submit an application for consideration.
- 5.7 All applicants will receive notification of the outcome in writing within three weeks of the respective closing application date. *Please refer to section 5.1 for application dates.*

6. REVIEW AND EVALUATION

These guidelines and application process will be reviewed every 12 months.

Organisational responsibility for review of these guidelines is Banyule City Council Leisure and Cultural Services Department.

7. FURTHER INFORMATION

Should you require additional information on the terms and conditions please contact Ben McManus, Councils Sports and Community Liaison Officer on 9457 9934.