



Seniors Participation Grant Fact Sheet

Funding Amount: Up to \$1000

Who can apply? The Seniors Participation Grant is open to the following applicants:

- Not-for-profit and incorporated organisations, clubs and groups.
- An auspice of an appropriate organisation including a not-for-profit and incorporated organisation.
- Groups whose **sole** focus is to offer participation opportunities for older members of the Whitehorse Community. These activities must contribute to health and wellbeing of members and take place in Whitehorse.

What is the Seniors Participation Grant?

Whitehorse City Council recognises that Seniors Groups within the community provide important participation opportunities for older people living in the municipality and provide ways for people to build and maintain friendships and social connections.

This funding can help manage the costs associated with providing activities that will enhance their member's participation in the community and help reduce social isolation and/ or loneliness. This could include catering, outings, guest speakers and card or board games.

This grant is a sub-category of the Positive Ageing Grant.

**Assessment
Criteria**

- All applicants must demonstrate that they meet the above definition of a seniors group: A group whose sole focus is to offer participation opportunities for older members of the Whitehorse Community. These activities must contribute to health and wellbeing of members.
- Funding will be awarded based on membership numbers. The minimum funding amount awarded is \$250.

Council supports applications that demonstrate consideration of **gender equality and environmental sustainability**. All applicants are encouraged to:

- Increase community awareness and understanding of environmental sustainability
- Help ensure our natural environment is healthy and sustainable for future generations
- Build community capacity to live sustainably through efficient use of water and energy, including use of renewable energy, resource recovery and/or reuse of materials, and increasing biodiversity
- Reduce waste litter, and eliminate the use of single-use plastics.

For more information visit: www.vic.gov.au/single-use-plastics

For further enquiries regarding this grant, contact Council's Positive Ageing Team: positiveageing@whitehorse.vic.gov.au