

## Community Grants Writing Assistance Program

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This policy supports the *Redland Shire Council Corporate Plan 2006-2010*, Community Health and Wellbeing strategic priority to “*build safe, strong and self reliant communities with access to community services, infrastructure and opportunities for participation in community life*”.

### Policy Objective

To provide support to community organisations to access funding sources using a process which will build their capacity and contribute to the range and quality of community services and facilities in the Redlands.

### Policy Statement

Council is committed to:

- 1) Operating a Community Grants Writing Assistance Program that:
  - a) provides support to local community organisations, in the form of advice, assistance and/or expertise to complete funding applications;
  - b) equips local community organisations with the skills and expertise to successfully access, through quality and targeted funding applications, the full range of funding options available;
  - c) improves the likelihood of local community organisations successfully securing funding from sources other than Council and thus increasing the level of funding received by the Redland Shire;
  - d) encourages local community organisations to explore alternative funding options prior to approaching Council; and
  - e) increases the community’s capacity to respond to residents’ needs through enhancing the range and quality of community services and resources available.
  
- 2) Providing assistance to incorporated or sponsored non-profit community organisations for the completion of applications for funding that are:
  - a) from sources other than Redland Shire Council; and
  - b) for at least \$3,000; and
  - c) for projects, services, facilities or equipment that will operate in and provide a demonstrated benefit to residents of the Redland Shire;





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- 3) Ensuring that organisations successful in securing funding through applications developed with Program assistance provide a financial contribution to the Program to support other organisations accessing assistance;
- 4) Allocating funds for the Program through Council's annual budget process;
- 5) Ensuring the equitable and impartial distribution of funds and assistance through an accountable and transparent process; and
- 6) The presentation of a report on the Program's outcomes and funding distribution for each financial year to a General Meeting of Council.