

## Community Support Program – Guidelines

### Purpose

WIM Resource is committed to being a responsible and trusted partner in the communities in which we operate, and by partnering with communities, we make positive financial contributions to the Wimmera Southern Mallee communities where our people live and work.

Our Community Support Program is designed to support initiatives that deliver meaningful, long-term benefits to local communities impacted by our exploration, development, and mining activities in Victoria's Wimmera Southern Mallee Region.

The program aligns with our broader commitments to:

- Community wellbeing and social cohesion
- Local economic participation and capability building
- Environmental stewardship and sustainability
- Transparent and ethical engagement with stakeholders.

### Objectives

The Community Support Program aims to:

- Support locally driven projects that respond to genuine community needs
- Strengthen community resilience, skills, and opportunities
- Foster positive, long-term relationships between WIM and local stakeholders
- Complement (not replace) existing government or statutory funding programs

### Key Focus Areas

Grants will be assessed and prioritised for applications that can demonstrate alignment with these key areas:

- **Education and Leadership:** Education, training, and youth development.
- **Social Wellbeing and Health:** Community health, sport and recreation, family, and youth support.
- **Economic Participation:** Local employment and local business development.
- **Resource and Environmental Sustainability:** Environment, water, and land management.

## Eligibility

### Parties that are Eligible

Applications may be submitted by: - Incorporated not-for-profit organisations - Community groups or associations (with an auspicing organisation, if unincorporated) - Registered charities - Educational institutions - Local community service providers

Applicants must operate within, or deliver clear benefits to, communities located in proximity to WIM Resource's operations in Victoria.

Applicants must be a registered not-for-profit group or organisation based in Australia and possess an ABN that aligns with the registered name of the organisation.

To be eligible, your organisation or group must be registered or based in one of the Local Government Areas listed below:

- Horsham Rural City Council
- Yarriambiack Shire Council
- Hindmarsh Shire Council
- Northern Grampians Shire Council
- West Wimmera Shire Council

### Ineligible Applicants and Activities

- Individuals or for-profit businesses
- Political parties or political activities
- Projects that are solely fundraising in nature
- Retrospective funding for projects already completed
- Organisations that operate for profit
- Projects or initiatives that discriminate on the basis of race, gender, or lifestyle
- Religious activities, including initiatives for one religious group\*
- Individuals participating in sporting /fundraising events
- Travel costs for events or sporting trips
- Projects or programs that would ordinarily be funded by government

\*Please note initiatives and events run by religious groups or religious-affiliated groups that are open to or inclusive of everyone ARE eligible for funding.

### Questions?

Get in touch with our Community Engagement Team at the WIM Community Hub 83 Firebrace Street, Horsham in person (Monday to Friday 9am-5pm), by phone: 1800 959 298 or email: [admin@wimresource.com.au](mailto:admin@wimresource.com.au)