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## **COUNCIL ENDORSES EXTRA FUNDS TO GRANTS SCHEME**

City of Ryde Council is adding an extra \$40,000 to its community assistance scheme for a Social Support Grant to address social disadvantage in the city. A total of \$120,000 will be available to the organisations working in the local community.

The new Social Support Grant will be implemented through local community organisations and will come into effect from July 2017.

City of Ryde Mayor, Clr Jerome Laxale, said: “The Council’s commitment to building a stronger and more resilient community is provided through its community grant program and these grants are made available through a variety of categories. They include grants for Seniors, Capacity Building, Sports and Recreation and Community Projects and this new grant category.

“The new grants will be available to a range of organisations including the three main community aid organisations – Christian Community Aid, North Ryde Community Aid and Hunters Hill/Ryde Community Services. These groups will continue to receive their current grant funding.

“Since becoming Mayor I have tried my hardest to make Ryde a fairer place to live. Extra funding for our Social Support, along with our Affordable Housing and Child Care policies will help achieve just that.”

For information on City of Ryde Grants Scheme go to [www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/grants](http://www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/grants)

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