

# CITY OF RYDE

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## Minor Donations and Awards Guidelines 2024



## MINOR DONATIONS AND AWARDS CATEGORIES

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## SCHOOL EXCELLENCE AWARDS

*\*See specific eligibility criteria.*

The School Excellence Awards aim to recognise student excellence. Vouchers to the amount of \$100 for primary school students and \$200 for secondary school students are awarded along with a certificate signed by the City of Ryde Mayor and Chief Executive Officer.

One round of School Excellence Awards is open throughout the year.

### **Specific eligibility criteria:**

- Awards are given at the discretion of the Chief Executive Officer, within the allocated Minor Donations and Awards budget
- One student per school can be nominated to receive an award
- If the award is to be presented at a ceremony it must be presented by the Mayor of the City of Ryde or the Mayor's nominated representative (internal school staff can present the award at school only events)
- Students receiving an award must live in the City of Ryde.



## REPRESENTATIVE DONATION

Up to \$250

*\*See specific eligibility criteria.*

This category builds a positive profile for the City of Ryde by supporting individuals representing their community via sporting, cultural or academic endeavours. Individuals must be representing a nationally recognised activity at a national or international level.

Donations of up to \$250 are available in this category.

This category is open for applications throughout the year.

### Specific eligibility criteria:

- Provides one-off funding (individuals cannot reapply if they have previously received funding)
- Funding is at the discretion of the Chief Executive Officer, within the allocated Minor Donations and Awards budget
- Individuals must reside within the City of Ryde
- Individuals must be representing a nationally recognised sport, cultural or academic activity at a national or international level
- Representatives must provide evidence of endorsement from the relevant governing body or club.



## GENERAL DONATIONS

Up to \$1,000

*\*See specific eligibility criteria.*

This category is for projects that do not align with the timing of the Community Grants Program rounds. Applicants must demonstrate the urgency of the request for funding. The projects must align with the Community Strategic Plan or other relevant Council plan. This category is open for applications throughout the year.

Funding of up to \$1,000 is available in this category.

### Specific eligibility criteria:

To be eligible for funding an organisation must:

- Have not previously received a general donation for the same project
- Clearly demonstrate that their project timeframe falls outside of the standard grant rounds
- Be an incorporated not-for-profit organisation or have an incorporated organisation acting as an auspice
- Be located within the City of Ryde or primarily service Ryde residents (events must be held within the City of Ryde)
- Be open to the general public, inclusive and not discriminatory
- Have acquitted previous City of Ryde funding and not have any outstanding debts with Council
- Commence the project after the funding has been approved by Council- grants cannot provide retrospective, recurrent or ongoing funding
- Complete an acquittal within one month of completing the project. This must be within 12 months of the funding commencement date.
- Applicants must commit to the City of Ryde Waste Wise Guidelines
- Applicants must publicly acknowledge City of Ryde's contribution

- Funding is at the discretion of the Chief Executive Officer, within the allocated Minor Donations and Awards budget.

### Specific ineligibility criteria:

The following projects are not eligible for a City of Ryde General Donation:

- Projects that duplicate existing programs
- Sole-traders or for-profit activities
- Fundraising, sponsorship or projects seeking prize money or gifts for attendees
- Religious activities that promote a single-faith as the main purpose
- Political parties, schools (including P&C activities that benefit a particular school), tertiary institutions or government organisations
- Attendance at conferences or academic course fees
- Funding for ongoing operational expenses eg. rent, staff wages, insurance, office equipment, IT resources or other ongoing costs
- Events held outside of the City of Ryde
- Applicants that have not complied with Waste Wise guidelines in the past
- Applicants that have already been funded for the same project via a City of Ryde Grant or Donation.



## MEET YOUR NEIGHBOUR DONATIONS

Up to \$250

*\*See specific eligibility criteria.*

Within the City of Ryde there is an increasing number of residents in high density living. It can be more challenging for people living in high density accommodation to meet their neighbours and connect with their local community. This category of donation provides an opportunity for residents to connect.

High density housing is housing with a higher population density than the average, typically blocks of flats and tower blocks. High density residential buildings house several individual apartment dwellings in a single building and are generally five or more storeys in height.

Funding of up to \$250 is available.

### Specific eligibility criteria:

- Provides one-off funding to body corporate organisations, residents groups or individuals
- Funding is at the discretion of the Chief Executive Officer, within the allocated Minor Donations and Awards budget
- Activities must be held within the City of Ryde
- Projects must demonstrate that they are assisting people to get to know their neighbours – examples include a neighbour's BBQ, a family-friendly games day, setting up a book club etc.
- Applicants must provide a budget for the cost of their project.

### Specific ineligibility criteria:

- For-profit activities
- Projects that duplicate existing programs
- Activities that do not directly benefit residents living in high density living
- Fundraising, sponsorship or projects seeking prize money or gifts for attendees
- Religious activities that promote a single-faith as the main purpose
- Political parties, schools (including P&C activities that benefit a particular school), tertiary institutions or government organisations
- Applicants that have already received funding for the same project.

