



Local community grants – Melbourne’s inner north

The following table lists groups that are based in Darebin, Moreland and Yarra. Some have a focus broader than the inner north. The information is correct as at May 2022, and please see relevant websites for up to date information. Please contact info@innorthfoundation.org.au if corrections or additions are required.

The information was collated by the Northern Funders Network, a group of organisations that have focus on giving grants in Melbourne’s inner north. Organisations that are interested in local partnerships and collaboration are welcome to attend. To find out more, please contact: Ben Rodgers, brodgers@innorthfoundation.org.au

Name of Org	Areas of Interest	Eligibility	Timeline	Contact
1. Aesop Foundation Australia	Literacy and numeracy skills Giving voices to people whose stories may not be heard Based in Australia	<p>1. Raising the levels of literacy in neighbourhoods, giving consideration to literacy in the broadest possible sense, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The ability to read and write • Visual literacy, or the ability to make meaning from information presented in a visual form • Linguistic diversity • Story telling <p>and/or</p> <p>2. Amplifying the stories of people who may not have a voice, through the mediums of literature, public conversation, the visual arts and performing arts.</p> <p>The impact of the project must be seen in Australia. The Foundation will consider projects utilising the following strategies:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Capacity building and technical assistance - Network building and collaboration - Outreach - Presentations and productions - Product and service development - Program development - Research and evaluation - Individual development - Policy, advocacy and systems reform 	N/A	https://www.aesop.com/au/r/aesop-foundation

2.	APRA AMCOS	Australia and New Zealand	Music Industry Songwriters Musicians Music organisations	Not accepting in 2021/2022. Check in future. https://www.apraamcos.com.au/music-creators
3.	Clifton Hill/ North Fitzroy Community Bank Branch	Develop sustainable business partnerships between the Clifton Hill / North Fitzroy Community Bank® Branch and the broader community.	Community projects Enhance social capital and community capacity. Establish strong community networks and a culture of mutual support within a healthy and vibrant local community.	Open for applications from Wednesday, 4 May 2022 until Saturday, 25 June 2022 https://www.bendigobank.com.au/search/?query=grants+program+2022
4.	Besen Foundation	Arts and Culture; Health and Welfare Jewish Interests.	Address disadvantage and inequity Encourage and promote social inclusiveness, community connectedness and health and wellbeing Are innovative and transformational Applications made within 12 months of a previous grant being approved or before an existing grant is completed.	Not accepting in 2021/2022. Check in the future. https://www.besenfoundation.org.au/areas-of-interest
5.	Bob Eatt Foundation	Conducting research into, or providing support to: - Medical science - Improving the health and financial status of the broader Australian community - Protection of vulnerable women and children.	N/A	Not accepting in 2021/2022. Check in the future. https://www.eattfoundation.org/
6.	Connected Community Preston	Applications are invited from groups in the City of Darebin area with a priority to be given to the postcodes of 3071, 3072 & 3073.	Projects that contribute to the development in building social capital, community welfare, environmental, health, education or cultural areas.	Open for applications from April 16 th 2022, May 9 th 2022 http://www.prestonconnectedcommunity.org.au/

7. Darebin City Council Grants	Based in the city of Darebin	Small to medium community groups Social Enterprise Biodiversity Arts Business Community projects	Applications are open 2021/2022 they close 30 th June 2022	https://www.darebin.vic.gov.au/about-council/darebin-grants
8. Environmental Protection Authority			Not accepting in 2021/2022. Check in the future	https://www.epa.vic.gov.au/
9. Freemasons	Victoria - Coburg - Preston - Collingwood	Supports community organisations and the youth in Victoria to achieve their education goals	Not accepting in 2021/2022. Check in the future	https://www.freemasonsvic.net.au/#
10. Glenroy Lions			Not accepting in 2021/2022. Check in the future	https://glenroy.vic.lions.org.au/
11. Grilld'	Grilld' local chains all over the local government areas of Moreland, Darebin and Yarra council	Community charities and projects supported through their 'Local Matters' jars	Applications always open	https://www.grilld.com.au/about/localmatters
12. Inner North Community Foundation	Moreland, Darebin and Yarra local government areas	Projects in the Inner North that support the community into employment and addresses employment barriers	Pathways to Employment Grant (funds up to \$30,000) opens up in April Rapid Response Grant (matched funds up to \$3,000) currently open	http://www.innernorthfoundation.org.au/

13. Ivanhoe Bendigo Bank	Develop sustainable business partnerships between the East Ivanhoe Community Bank® Branch and the broader community.	Community projects Enhance social capital and community capacity. Establish strong community networks and a culture of mutual support within a healthy and vibrant local community.	Currently receiving applications	https://www.bendigobank.com.au/branch/vic/east-ivanhoe-community-bank-branch/
14. Jellis Craig	Australia and the “wider global community”	n/a	N/A	https://www.jellisicraig.com.au/about-us/foundation
15. Leader Local Grants	Includes Darebin City Council, Moreland City Council and City of Yarra	Small projects that give benefit to the community such as gardens, knitting circles, food banks, sporting clubs etc.	Applications are open from May 6 to May 31 and voting begins June 17 to June 28	https://www.bulletpoint.com.au/leader-local-grants/
16. McGrath Real Estate				
17. Moreland Council Community Grants Program	Moreland	Be a resident of Moreland, Seek support for an activity that is a pursuit supported by Council, Seek support for an activity at State, National or International level only, and Be a member of a club or team involved in interstate or overseas competition which is officially representing the State or nationally recognized body.	Applications open August 2022 and close February 2023.	https://www.moreland.vic.gov.au/about-council/grants-and-awards/community-grants-program.html
18. Moreland Rotary	Moreland City Council	Improving the lives of children, by providing access to health care, education, adequate food, shelter and clean water.	N/A	https://rotary9790.org.au/sitepage/the-rotary-foundation
19. Neighborhood Justice Centre Community Fund	Victoria	Local crime prevention Community legal centres across Victoria Sustainable housing Family violence	Several application rounds open now	https://www.justice.vic.gov.au/grants

		Volunteer Emergency Services Equipment		
20. Nelson Alexander Real Estate	Melbourne	Specific items contributing to community events. Cultural & educational programs/events. Equipment eg. medical, sporting, office. Improvement in the quality of life for a person/group.	Small monthly grants: applications accepted Feb – Oct Foundation Day grants: applications open 01 Feb and close 01 Apr	https://www.nelsonalexander.com.au/charitable-foundation/
21. National Zakat Foundation	Australia	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Refugees • Ex-offenders • Homeless • Individuals suffering from any sickness, disability or terminal illness • Funeral expenses if a family is finding it difficult to meet costs • Victims who are fleeing from domestic violence and/or sexual abuse • Older people who are restricted and isolated due to finance • Individuals with no recourse to public funds • Individuals whose income is not enough to meet basic needs • Assistance and guidance for those who are in debt out of necessity, especially where they are incurring interest • Assistance with rent payments and rent deposits if in arrears 	N/A	https://www.nzf.org.au/
22. Northcote Lions				https://northcote.vic.lions.org.au/
23. Preston Rotary	City of Darebin			https://www.rotary-prestonaust.com/
24. Strathmore Community Bank Branch	Moonee Valley Council/parts of Brunswick West	Community projects Sports Arts Health and Medical	Applications are open from Wednesday, 4 May 2022 until	https://www.bendigobank.com.au/branch/vic/strathmore-community-bank-branch/

			Saturday, 25 June 2022.	
25. Give Out	LGBTQIA+ community projects	<p>Are led by members of LGBTQIA+ communities</p> <p>Are working to create real opportunities for LGBTQIA+ people living with a disability</p> <p>Are committed to empowering LGBTQIA+ people living with a disability</p> <p>Foster a sense of belonging for LGBTQIA+ people living with a disability</p> <p>Demonstrate capacity to carry out the proposed activities</p> <p>Consider long term viability and success</p>	Not accepting in 2021/2022. Check in the future.	https://giveout.org.au/
26. The Funding Network	Australia	Homelessness, living with disability, mental health, education and employment, crime reduction, social and economic inclusion, social justice and wellbeing.	N/A	https://www.thefundingnetwork.com.au/tfn-live/apply-to-pitch/
27. Tobin Brothers Foundation	Community projects in the Melbourne metropolitan area and across the Tobin Brothers network where there are branch locations in regional areas	<p>Tobin Brothers Foundation provides funding for specific projects.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The focus is toward smaller, local and community driven organisations. • The Foundation prides itself on the diversity of grant recipients from across a broad spectrum • Grants are limited to those organisations with DGR status, under Division 30 of the Income Tax Assessment Act 1997. • Tobin Brothers Foundation recognises those organisations that may have difficulty in obtaining funding from other government and/or private sources. 	Applications are open annually, usually during the first week of September	https://tobinbrothersfoundation.com.au/182/Apply-for-a-Grant.html
28. Transurban	Moreland City Council City of Yarra	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The benefit for communities close to Transurban roads • Ability to impact the social needs in the areas of safe and accessible transport, education and training. • Ability to achieve lasting benefits • The potential to positively effect a large number of people or drive significant environmental outcomes • The potential to improve the lives of diverse, disadvantaged or underprivileged groups • How specific the application is about the grant's intended use and expected outcomes 	Applications open May 2022 until Midnight 31 May 2022.	https://transurban.smartygrants.com.au/May2022

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Whether the grant will help create community benefits that may not otherwise be possible without grant support. 		
29. Yarra Council Community Grants	Various in Yarra	<p>Need to be in based in the city of Yarra</p> <p>Artists who identify as Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander within the City of Yarra</p> <p>Arts and Culture</p> <p>Community Development</p> <p>Family, Youth and Children</p> <p>Sports and Recreation</p> <p>Sustainability</p> <p>Youth-Led Grants</p>	Applications open June 13, 2022, close on 31 July 2022.	https://www.yarracity.vic.gov.au/about-us/grants
30. Yarra Trams	Melbourne	<p>Champion diversity and inclusion in Melbourne</p> <p>Be registered with the Australian Charities and Not-for-profit Commission</p> <p>Have the ability to design creative assets that fit with Yarra Trams advertising guidelines</p> <p>Not have been supported by Yarra Trams or Keolis Downer during 2020</p>	<p>Yarra Trams Community Partnerships:</p> <p>Four tram wrap partnerships</p> <p>The application period for the 2021 program will open in mid-2022</p>	https://yarratrams.com.au/partnerships
31. Readings Foundation	Based in Victoria, or have activities commenced in Victoria	<p>Aid the work of organisations that respond to the needs of disadvantaged groups living in our community;</p> <p>Increase the community's enjoyment of the word in all its forms, including screenwriting, music, theatre, art and the written word; and</p> <p>Honour the importance of creativity in community-driven work.</p>	Grant applications open in the October of each year	https://www.readings.com.au/the-readings-foundation