

# Community Sports Program

The aim of the Canberra Southern Cross Club Community Sports Program is to provide financial and in-kind assistance (**community contributions**) to sports affiliated with the Canberra Southern Cross Club (**the Club**) and to other local community-based sports organisations which make a valuable contribution to Canberra and its region. Assistance is provided annually.

## Eligible Applicants

- Applicants must be not-for-profit clubs/groups/associations (**organisation**) serving Canberra and its region.
- Applicants must demonstrate a need for the financial assistance and provide detailed information on how the community contributions would be used to assist their organisation.
- Applications for individuals will not be considered.

## General Guidelines

- An application to participate in the Program must be completed each financial year for all new and existing proposals.
- Assistance will be assessed on a case by case basis and may be a combination of cash, in-kind, or fundraising opportunities.
- The value of community contributions to be given by the Club will be determined on the organisation's contribution to the community, along with the level of function activity, and expenditure measured through the Community Rewards Program at Canberra Southern Cross Club venues.
- Applicants must outline the percentage/value of assistance requested to support women's sporting teams, events or programs including; women's coaching equipment, training or insurance for women's sporting activities.
- Any cash component of the overall community contributions will be made by way of participation in the Community Rewards Program which provides 7.5c in each dollar spent by club supporters on food and beverage back to the organisation.
- Applicants are strongly encouraged to remain active within the Club by way of regular visitation to the Club's premises, attending presentation nights, fundraisers, and regular meetings.
- The community contributions that the successful applicant receives:
  - must be used in accordance with the community contribution or community purpose contribution provisions in the *Gaming Machine Act 2004* (ACT) and the *Gaming Machine Regulations 2004* (ACT) as amended and in force from time to time. The following categories are prescribed as being allowable purposes:
    - Charitable.
    - Recreational.
    - Education.
    - Social Inclusion, equality or cultural diversity.
    - Community sport.
    - Addressing substance misuse or dependence.
    - Women's sport.
    - Natural disaster relief or assistance.

- must only be used for the purpose stated in your application form. Any variation to the use of the community contributions must be approved in writing by the Club.
- Payments to the nominated organisation will only be made by Electronic Transfer.
- Successful applicants are invited to share stories on how the funds being raised and used by the organisation have benefited their group and/or the local community.
- If successful, the recipient must complete and submit an acquittal form provided by the Club confirming the purpose of the funding received by 31 May 2024.
- The Club reserves the right to immediately cease its support and your participation in the Program should the behaviour of your organisation, your staff or members bring the Club into disrepute, such as at our venues or on social media.

### **Community Sports Program Application Process**

Organisations wishing to apply to participate in the Community Sports Program should submit their applications to the Club by 30 June 2023. Application forms are available from the Club's website or Canberra Southern Cross Club, Woden. All eligible applications will be reviewed by the Club's Community Contributions sub-committee.

All eligible applicants will be advised of the outcome in July 2023 for the new financial year.

To apply, fill out the online Community Sporting Application Form found at [www.csccl.com.au/our-community](http://www.csccl.com.au/our-community)

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