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Council offers grants up to \$20,000 for sport and recreation groups to upgrade facilities

Is your sport or recreation club in need of an infrastructure/facility upgrade? The City of Victor Harbor's new Sport and Recreation Grants Program could provide the financial support you need to get your project underway.

The Council has significantly expanded its Sport and Recreation Grants Program to include a new funding stream that will support sport and recreation infrastructure projects.

The program now has two funding streams.

- **Major grants** (*new*): total funding pool of \$100,000, with a maximum amount of \$20,000 to be allocated towards each major grant application
- **Minor grants** (as per previous years): total funding pool of \$10,000, with a maximum of \$400 for individuals and \$1,000 for clubs and organisations.

City of Victor Harbor Acting Chief Executive Officer, Karen Rokicinski, said Council acknowledges the important role that sport and recreation groups play in our region.

"Here in Victor Harbor, sport and recreation is an enormous part of our local lifestyle. We have everything from hockey to dragon boating!" said Ms Rokicinski.

"We acknowledge the health, wellbeing, social and economic benefits of participating in sport and active recreation, and want to support local clubs to thrive."

"Perhaps your club is looking to upgrade your storage space, resurface some grounds, install a new fence or build a shelter – whatever it may be, you are encouraged to apply for a grant."

The introduction of major grants to the Council's Sport and Recreation Grants Program will provide local groups with an opportunity to enhance the access or quality of their facilities. It will also improve transparency, clarity, consistency and equity in how the Council manages requests for funding.

More information about the new Sport and Recreation Grants Program and application guidelines are available at www.victor.sa.gov.au/grants

Organisations and clubs who plan to apply for a grant are strongly encouraged to contact the City of Victor Harbor on 8551 0500 or localgov@victor.sa.gov.au for advice before submitting. This will ensure the best possible chance of success.

Applications will close at 5pm on Friday, 17 February 2023.