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Small grants to give Collie projects big boost

Community-based organisations in Collie can receive a welcome funding boost to vital projects, through the latest round of Synergy's Collie Small Grants Program.

Synergy has invited applications for one-off grants of up to \$5,000 to support community initiatives, with projects aligning to its partnership pillars of innovation, education and community.

The grants will support projects aimed at strengthening social, economic and environmental factors of Collie's community.

Announcing the opening of applications, Synergy's General Manager Generation Dion Paunich said continuing to support local groups was an important part of Synergy's commitment to the Collie community.

"It's exciting to see the ways in which previous recipients of the Collie Small Grants Program have made valuable use of their grants, and to know that this year's recipients will also be able to direct these funds into where they are needed the most," Mr Paunich said.

"Synergy is proud to offer the Small Grants Program for a second year, supporting projects which provide a lasting benefit to the broader Collie community."

The recipients of the 2019 Collie Small Grants program were:

- Collie Police Community and Youth Centre
- Collie Cricket Club
- Western Australia Endurance Riders Association
- Collie Volunteer Bush Fire Brigades
- Horsepower Collie
- Allanson Primary School

The funds received by these organisations have been already put to good use, enhancing the services and valuable community programs they already provide in the region.

The Collie Cricket Club used their \$5,000 grant to upgrade their change room facilities, enabling it to offer women's cricket for the first time in its history.

Collie Volunteer Bush Fire Brigades will put the funds towards purchasing portable oxygen devices for their trucks and Allanson Primary School will use their grant to purchase a mini recycling station.

Not-for-profit and community groups can apply for the Collie Small Grants program before 9am, Monday 30th of March 2020.



To apply for a grant or for more information, email community@synergy.net.au or call Synergy's community engagement officer Vanessa Harrop on 9781 6731.

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