

Media Release



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New community grants awarded for local projects, facilities and upgrades

Community organisations across the Adelaide Hills are benefiting from a funding boost through the 2025 Community and Recreation Facility and Community Development Grants, supporting projects that improve local amenities, safety, wellbeing and community connection.

Sixteen organisations received Community and Recreation Facility Grants, including Lions Hearing Dogs, which was awarded \$20,000 towards a multipurpose hall at its assistance dog training centre.

Lions Hearing Dogs Chief Executive Officer David Horne said the funding provided both practical support and confidence to proceed.

“Our team found the grant application process to be practical and simple and leaned on the Council’s grant team for guidance and support where needed,” Mr Horne said. “The successful outcome of the grant provided us not only with funds to support our redevelopment project, but the confidence to proceed with the project knowing we have the support of our local Council.”

Other Community and Recreation Facility Grants recipients include Kersbrook Football Club, SA Pistol and Shooting Club, Paracombe Cricket Club and Upper Sturt Memorial Hall.

Twenty-three organisations also received Community Development Grants for sporting, cultural, environmental and tourism projects. Recipients include RSL Stirling Sub-Branch for audiovisual upgrades, Adelaide and Hills Koala Rescue – 1300KOALAZ for wildlife rescue equipment, Lobethal Community Association for a digital heritage walking tour app and Heathfield Netball Club for a First Nations Round reconciliation dress.

“With more than \$200,000 awarded in the 2025 round, the grants reflect Council’s ongoing commitment to strengthening local facilities and supporting a vibrant Adelaide Hills community,” said Acting Mayor, Nathan Daniell.

For a full list of grant recipients, visit:

[Community and Recreations Facility Grant Recipients 2025](#)

[Community Development Grant recipients 2025](#)

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