



# Media release

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## Time is running out to apply for City of Albany funding and sponsorship

A City of Albany funding program designed to provide support to community projects and events is open for applications now.

But time is running out – applications for the sought-after Community Funding and Event Sponsorship program will only be accepted until 30 April, 2015.

**Community Enterprise Grants** are available to community groups and organisations to deliver activities, programs, projects or services for during the 2015-16 financial year. Grants between \$500 - \$5000 are available.

**Community Event Sponsorship** is available for smaller community events that contribute to a diverse events calendar for the local community. Sponsorship between \$500 - \$5000 is available.

In addition, **Community Leadership Grants** between \$500 - \$1000 are available on an ongoing basis to support individuals and smaller groups who want to attend events or access development opportunities.

Albany Mayor Dennis Wellington said the funding program was an effective and important way of supporting local community groups and individuals.

“This program supports innovative projects and events that aim to increase community cohesiveness, create healthy accessible communities, celebrate our identity, diversity and heritage and activate the Albany central business district,” he said.

Mr Wellington said the funding streams would be competitive and encouraged applicants to carefully read the guidelines available at [www.albany.wa.gov.au](http://www.albany.wa.gov.au).

Applicants must also contact the City of Albany’s Community Development Officer prior to applying on 9841 9391.

Past Community Enterprise Grants have gone to support a self esteem program for teenage girls (the YWCA’s Everygirl Program) and the Community Living Association’s Move and Groove dance class for people with disability, among many others.

Past Community Event Sponsorship has been provided to the Wellstead Community Resource Centre for the Wellstead Harvest Festival and Albany Swim Club for the Albany Short Course Swimming Carnival, among many others.

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