

CIF 2026/2027 Grants Awarded Q1 13 July – 15 September 2026						
Grant ID	Grant Program	Ward	Awarded to	Project Title	Project Description	Total Awarded
People						
CEvents26/27-001	Community Events Grants	Nepean Ward	Rye Sports & Social Club Inc	2027 Rye Gift Athletics Carnival & Family Fun Day	This will be the 51st Year of running a professional foot race conducted by Victorian Athletic League at Rye. Athletes from all over Victoria and some interstate compete in a number of events.	\$8,500
CEvents26/27-002	Community Events Grants	Coolart Ward	Friends of Coolart Inc	Coolart Annual Community Picnic	This is a family-friendly picnic held annually in the gardens of the Coolart Wetlands & Homestead. The event is free to participants and features child friendly activities, live music, food trucks, and face painting. The event has been held for 6 years and has growing participation from the community.	\$5,000
CEvents26/27-003	Community Events Grants	Brokil Ward	Rotary Club of Dromana inc.	Halloween Festival & Bonfire 2026	A twilight dress-up and fun event for families which finishes with a bonfire at the end if the evening. Rides and activities are available for children with food and drinks also being available. No entry fee is charged for the event and any funds raise are allocated to local projects.	\$13,738
CEvents26/27-007	Community Events Grants	Tootgarook Ward	Rosebud Christmas Festival	Rosebud Christmas Festival	The Rosebud Christmas Festival is a free community event that celebrates the Christmas season, strengthening connectedness through music, activities, local performers, community partnerships and local business participation. The volunteer-led festival provides an inclusive, affordable outing embracing both secular and spiritual traditions for families and people of all ages and backgrounds.	\$7,500
CEvents26/27-009	Community Events Grants	Benbenjie Ward	Bayview Church Inc	Community Christmas Festival	Free Community Christmas Festival open to all. Free sausage sizzle, ice creams, soft drinks, kids craft activities, animal farm, face painting, free homemade afternoon tea, local musicians featured throughout the day, visit from Santa with a gift for every child, nativity scene family photos, market stalls featuring local vendors.	\$5,500
CEvents26/27-011	Community Events Grants	Tanti Ward	Mornington Chamber of Commerce	Merry Main Street Christmas	Merry Main Street Christmas is a 12 Days of Christmas activation designed to bring Main Street Mornington to life through festive entertainment, children's activities, trader promotions, Christmas decorations, Santa visits and community events, encouraging local shopping, strengthening community connections, and supporting Mornington businesses in the lead up to Christmas.	\$15,000
CEvents26/27-012	Community Events Grants	Nepean Ward	Rotary Club of Sorrento Inc	Point Nepean Heritage Motor Show	Our Motor Show, is a family orientated community fun day out, admiring vintage, heritage and classic vehicles, the proceeds of which will go towards Rotary's long standing support of the Southern Peninsula Support Groups programs benefitting the increased number of homeless and victims of domestic abuse on the Peninsula.	\$8,000
CEvents26/27-019	Community Events Grants	Briars Ward	New Peninsula Baptist Church Inc	New Peninsula Carols 2026	New Peninsula Carols is a free, community Christmas event for all ages and backgrounds to celebrate together. It involves live music, vocal performances and audience participation. The event will run across one weekend with two shows. A welcoming and inclusive space will be provided offering festive fun, entertainment and food.	\$2,000
CEvents26/27-023	Community Events Grants	Nepean Ward	Rye Business Network	Rye Community Festival	Builds on the 2026 festival which brought together the Rye community on the foreshore.It will showcase our community groups, associations, artists, entertainers and local providers.For Rye residents and visitors, it will showcase our diversity and community strength.It will be a fun day for to connect, discover and participate	\$15,000
CEvents26/27-024	Community Events Grants	Moorooduc Ward	MHSN Australia Incorporated	Mental Health Safety Net Gala	The Mental Health Safety Net (MHNS) Gala is an annual fundraising event bringing together local businesses and community members to raise awareness and funds for suicide prevention education, .supporting mental health across the Mornington Peninsula.	\$12,030

CEvents26/27-026	Community Events Grants	Tanti Ward	Out Loud on the Ninch Collective	Out Loud on the Ninch 2027	Out Loud on the Ninch is a twilight celebration of queer identity, art, and intergenerational connection returning to Mornington on Saturday 6 February 2027. Partnering with Midsumma Festival, this inclusive event features live performances, creative workshops, and community health stalls to foster fun, safety, pride, and community connections for all.	\$14,937
CEvents26/27-028	Community Events Grants	Brokil Ward	Dromana Fundraising Ladies Incorporated	Dromana Fundraising Ladies 10th Anniversary Community Fundraising Event	A special 10th anniversary community event bringing people together from across the Mornington Peninsula to connect, celebrate and support people affected by cancer. The event will feature special guest Tracy Bevan, co-founder and Ambassador of the McGrath Foundation, guest speakers, entertainment and community participation.	\$14,800
CEvents26/27-031	Community Events Grants	Coolart Ward	Flinders Fringe Festival Inc.	Flinders Fringe: Best of the Fest Finale	Flinders Fringe: Best of the Fest Finale is an exciting free event for audiences of all ages. Relax on beanbags, bring a picnic and a group of friends. Enjoy a diverse program of live music and entertainment plus an outdoor photographic exhibition of festival highlights from the last four years.	\$15,000
CEvents26/27-032	Community Events Grants	Brokil Ward	Dromana Habitat Incorporated	Habitat Halloween Fest 2026	Habitat Halloween Fest transforms the Dromana Industrial Estate into a family friendly Halloween celebration. Free to enter, our 9 makers host a trick-or-treat trail, potion and candle, masterclasses, roving performers, sabrage demonstrations, themed menus, raffle and an evening Halloween music showcasing Dromana as a must-visit destination.	\$11,490
CEvents26/27-033	Community Events Grants	Briars Ward	Mount Martha Bowls & Petanque Club Inc	Blues for a Cause for Mental Health Awareness	A collaborative community fundraising event at Mount Martha Bowls, Petanque & Social Club during National Mental Health Month. Partnering with Blues Music Victoria and It's Okay Not To Be Okay. Event is designed to break down the stigma associated with mental health, promote the community connection, raise valuable funds.	\$6,000
Total (15) Q1 Community Event Grants Awarded as at 15 Sept 2026						\$ 154, 495
CSG26/27-001	Community Support Grants	Briars Ward	Mount Martha Writers Group (MMWG)	Mount Martha Writers Group Anthology publication	Compilation of stories from the members homework and writing exercises throughout the year which will serve as a record of the members endeavors and memoirs.	\$5,000.00
CSG26/27-005	Community Support Grants	Briars Ward	Rotary Club of Mount Martha Inc	Mount Martha Village Christmas and Easter Community Gatherings	Providing village traders, businesses with window decorations to be created by the community. In 2024, 2025 Rotary Mount Martha held this event, which was well received by the community and traders. We would like to again host the Mount Martha Village Christmas Decorations and host an Easter Community Event.	\$5,000.00
CSG26/27-011	Community Support Grants	Nepean Ward	Sorrento Surf Life Saving Club	Sorrento Bay Swim 2027 - Infrastructure	The event offers 4,000m, 2,000m and 600m swim courses for open water swimmers with abilities from novice to elite. Infrastructure needed to conduct the event includes timing tags to ensure fast accurate results recording, toilet hire, PA system hire as well as hire of safety and first aid providers.	\$5,000.00
CSG26/27-012	Community Support Grants	Briars Ward	Southern Women's Action Network Inc	Publication of SWAN's new book - 'Where Women Soar' and launch event	SWAN has produced a book, video documentary and portrait series showcasing local women's contribution to community development. These works document SWAN's approach to addressing social concerns, strengthening inclusion and building belonging. We seek funds to print the e-book and hold a launch event for the book, video and portrait exhibition.	\$3,184.00
CSG26/27-015	Community Support Grants	Tootgarook Ward	Rye Beach Probus Club Inc.	Sound System Update and Technical Support	The Probuskers music group of 6 musicians and 14 singers is an adjunct group of Rye Beach Probus Club and provides free entertainment for organizations on the Mornington Peninsula. The Probuskers require additional high quality microphones for the singers and the MC and sound system education and technical support.	\$4,084.00
CSG26/27-020	Community Support Grants	Coolart Ward	Spriggle Kids Inc	Spriggle Kids Access and Inclusion Program	Spriggle Kids will establish an inclusive access program for Mornington Peninsula children with disability, developmental delay and additional needs. Grant funding will help provide subsidised therapy, developmental support and inclusive programs for local children experiencing financial or access barriers, while supporting families to access help closer to home.	\$5,000.00

CSG26/27-021	Community Support Grants	Briars Ward	New Peninsula Mount Martha Men's Shed Inc	Buddy Benches, Bikes, Skateboards and Scooters for Primary Schools and Kindergartens	Refurbishing Bikes, Skateboards and Scooters for donation to Peninsula Primary Schools as well as designing and building Buddy Benches for installation at Peninsula Primary School and Kindergartens with the children doing the artwork on the bench seat. Buddy Benches are installed with a Ceremony and a MPSC Councillor when available.	\$5,000.00
CSG26/27-022	Community Support Grants	Coolart Ward	Main Ridge Cricket Club	Main Ridge Cricket Club Wellbeing Initiative	To foster and grow our culture at the club for the future generations to come – as a sporting club in a small tight knit community we hold an important role in the support of members of all generations, genders and backgrounds, to offer a safe space for everyone.	\$3,300.00
CSG26/27-031	Community Support Grants	Nepean Ward	Point Nepean Mens Shed Association	Primary School Intergeneration Support	This is a continuation of intergeneration classes involving teachers, students and the PNMSA members. The aim is to take projects into the classrooms and have the students perform educational activity under the supportive eyes of staff and PNMSA members.	\$5,000.00
CSG26/27-034	Community Support Grants	Tootgarook Ward	Mornington Peninsula Water Polo Club Incorporated	Portable collapsible Water Polo goals plus storage at YAWA	Raising funds to purchase lightweight water polo goals for use and storage at YAWA. Goals were included with YAWA build. These were 'elite/permanent' – heavy, on wheels, could not fit through doorway between storage room to pool, needed to be disassembled and reassembled on pool deck (tools reqd).	\$5,000.00
CSG26/27-037	Community Support Grants	Kackeraboite Ward	Mornington Peninsula Legacy Club Inc	Christmas Gathering for Legacy Beneficiaries with a Disability	On Saturday November 28th 2026 we plan to have a Christmas Gathering for the Legacy beneficiaries with a disability group. They all have an intellectual disability with some also having physical ones.	\$1,930.00
CSG26/27-040	Community Support Grants	Nepean Ward	Mornington Peninsula Beekeepers Association	Save Our Bees	MPBA has over 200 members with bee hives all over the peninsula. The Varroa mite is now on the peninsula and spreading quickly. We want to provide Aluen CAP a fast, effective, organic treatment, to all of our members to literally save the bees.	\$5,000.00
CSG26/27-047	Community Support Grants	Tootgarook Ward	Rosebud West Community Hub Ltd	Replacement of vital outdoor equipment for Seawinds Early Learning Centre	At Seawinds ELC programs are designed around the Victorian Early Years Learning & Development Framework. Outdoor play is a vital, open-ended daily learning that builds physical health, curiosity, and emotional resilience. This important project is to purchase five trikes to replace those recently stolen from the Centre.	\$2,880.00
Total (13) Q1 Community Support Grants Awarded as at 15 Sept 2026						\$55,378.00
FG26/27-010	Flexi Grant	Coolart Ward	Presentation Family Centre Incorporated T/A Saltbush Balnarring Beach	New AED	Our AED has expired and we would like to install a new one. This will be able to be used by guests staying at Saltbush, schools, community groups including LandCare, CFA walking groups etc, volunteers including gardening volunteers etc. art and play therapy groups and teachers etc.	\$2,000.00
FG26/27-012	Flexi Grant	Nepean Ward	Rye Community House Inc	Rye Christmas Cheer Project	The Rye Christmas Cheer project involves obtaining project funding to create a festive streetscape on the Rye Foreshore and to decorate along the street outside the shops in Rye.	\$2,000.00
Total (2) Q1 Flexi Grants Awarded as at 15 Sept 2026						\$4,000.00
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ComCap26/27-001	Local Area Community Capital Infrastructure Grants	Beek Beek Ward	Somerville Community House Incorporated	Grant Road Dog Park Improvement Project	This project is to provide internal fencing at the large dog park (approximately 12,000sqm) at 70 Grant Road Somerville, to divide it in to three large areas to allow greater accessibility and safer access for dog owners in the local Somerville community and more broadly community members across the Peninsula.	\$13,667.50
ComCap26/27-002	Local Area Community Capital Infrastructure Grants	Brokil Ward	Dromana Community Garden Incorporated	Dromana Community Garden Irrigation/Sails/Igloo	Installation of a Watering system, to help save water, also installation of a Poly-tunnel and installation of a shade sail, over the Poly-tunnel and outdoor propagation area.	\$11,820.00
ComCap26/27-004	Local Area Community Capital Infrastructure Grants	Moorooduc Ward	Mornington Tennis Club Inc	International Courts LED Light Upgrade	Replace the existing floodlighting on our international courts with modern, energy-efficient LED sports lighting. This upgrade will improve player safety, enhance the quality of competition and training, reduce energy consumption and maintenance costs, and provide a more sustainable facility for our members and the wider community.	\$50,000.00

ComCap26/27-008	Local Area Community Capital Infrastructure Grants	Briars Ward	MT MARTHA CRICKET & SPORTS CLUB INC.	Storage Shed	Mt Martha cricket club/Mount Martha junior football club would like to have a storage shed implemented at the back of our pavilion to facilitate off season and on season storage. This will replace the old delapidated storage container located near the children's playground.	\$22,000.00
ComCap26/27-009	Local Area Community Capital Infrastructure Grants	Warringine Ward	Hastings Tennis Club	Lease Boundary Fencing	Our lease was recently updated to include courts 5 and 6. This area is currently not included in our boundary fence. We wish to have it fenced off for security and safety.	\$18,720.90
ComCap26/27-010	Local Area Community Capital Infrastructure Grants	Moorooduc Ward	Mornington Tourist Railway	Moorooduc Shed: Concrete slab	The Mornington Tourist Railway is seeking funding to construct a concrete slab within its shed at Moorooduc, to further restoration projects, allow us undertake heavy maintenance of historic equipment and improve volunteering accessibility and conditions. Grant funding will be used for the construction of the slab.	\$30,000.00
ComCap26/27-012	Local Area Community Capital Infrastructure Grants	Nepean Ward	Sorrento Community Centre	Upgrade of Sorrento netball area to include secure fencing and new	Upgrade of current Sorrento Netball courts with new secure fencing on all sides and new Pickleball lines for 6 new courts.	\$50,000.00
ComCap26/27-015	Local Area Community Capital Infrastructure Grants	Coolart Ward	Main Ridge Tennis Club	Future-Proofing Main Ridge Tennis Club	Our Tennis Club works very hard to provide the best facilities possible for members and visitors. The surface of both Courts 4 and 5 are at least 30+ years old and unsafe -so too the fencing surrounding the five courts which was originally paid for and erected by our members.	\$50,000.00
ComCap26/27-016	Local Area Community Capital Infrastructure Grants	Moorooduc Ward	Radio Port Phillip Association Inc	RPPFM Site Improvements for Emergency Broadcasting	RPPFM is in the process of becoming the official emergency broadcaster for the Mornington Peninsula. We seek funding to make repairs to the transmitter and hut at Arthurs Seat, and to buy a battery for the solar array on the station roof at Mornington to enable functioning during power outages.	\$45,400.00
ComCap26/27-020	Local Area Community Capital Infrastructure Grants	Coolart Ward	Main Ridge Bowls and Petanque Club Inc	Kitchen Island Bench and Double Oven upgrade	To complete the renovations to the Clubhouse kitchen and to replace a damaged oven. To upgrade carpet in the mens chage room and the area adjacent to the new Bar that we are installing (with Shire approval).	\$25,814.00
ComCap26/27-021	Local Area Community Capital Infrastructure Grants	Brokil Ward	Dromana Football Netball Club Inc	Dromana FNC East end goal netting	The proposed project is for netting to be installed at the eastern end of the Dromana Recreation Reserve, to stop football's being lost to adjoining properties. The area covered is 25 metres wide and built to a height of 10 metres.	\$37,665.00
ComCap26/27-022	Local Area Community Capital Infrastructure Grants	Tootgarook Ward	Rosebud Beach Community Bowls Club Incorporated	Replacement of lawn bowl shelters	Seeking the replacement of four existing shelters located near the new synthetic green. The current shelters have reached the end of their life, making them unsuitable for continued use. As these shelters are a Shire asset; we have been advised that replacement through a grant is the most efficient solution.	\$25,814.00
Total (12) Q1 Local Area Community Capital Infrastructure Grants Awarded as at 15 Sept 2026						\$ 380,901.40
Total (42) Q1 CIF Grants Awarded between 13 July – 15 Sept 2026						\$ 594,774.40