

Hobart Airport Community Grants Guidelines



Student Paige planting trees for Nipaluna Nursery

Key dates

Applications open: Monday 3 August 2026 (9.00am AEDT)

Applications close: Monday 31 August 2026 (11.59pm AEDT)

Grants announced: October 2026

Contact us if you need assistance with your grant application.

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ABOUT THE PROGRAM

At Hobart Airport, our purpose is **connecting communities**.

Through our Community Grants Program, we support projects that strengthen the connections between people, places and opportunities across Tasmania. We recognise that strong communities are built through social participation, environmental stewardship and economic opportunity, and we are seeking projects that create meaningful and lasting impacts in these areas.

The program supports eligible Tasmanian charities and not-for-profit organisations delivering projects that help build a more connected, inclusive and resilient Tasmania.

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PREVIOUS GRANT RECIPIENT



Charity:

Hope in a Suitcase Tasmania

Funding awarded:

\$15,000

Project:

Providing suitcases and duffle bags to Tasmanian children entering foster or out-of-home care, ensuring they have a safe and dignified way to transport their belongings.

Grants Available

Each grant will require a separate application.

1. Community grants

Eligible organisations may apply for cash grants between **\$1,000** and **\$5,000**.

2. Connecting Communities Award

One organisation will be awarded a major Connecting Communities Award valued at **\$15,000**.

This award recognises a project that demonstrates exceptional potential to strengthen community connection and deliver significant social, environmental and/or economic outcomes across Tasmania.

3. Advertising in kind

In-kind advertising opportunities across Hobart Airport digital and static advertising assets valued at more than **\$25,000**.

4. Terminal activation opportunities

Eligible organisations may apply for space within Hobart Airport's terminal precinct to promote their cause, undertake awareness activities, engage with travellers or support fundraising initiatives.



What we're looking to support

To be considered for funding, applications must clearly demonstrate how the project will strengthen community connection while delivering social, environmental and/or economic outcomes.

1. Community connection (mandatory)

All applicants must demonstrate how their project will strengthen community connection.

Consider:

- How will the project bring people together?
- How will it create opportunities for participation, inclusion and belonging?
- How will it connect people with services, support networks, places or opportunities?
- Who will benefit from these connections?
- How will the benefits continue beyond the funding period?

2. Community outcomes

Applicants must demonstrate how their project contributes to at least one of the following outcome areas.

A. Connected communities through social impact

Projects that strengthen social connections, improve wellbeing and increase participation in community life.

Examples may include:

- Reducing social isolation
- Supporting vulnerable or disadvantaged community members
- Improving accessibility and inclusion
- Building stronger community networks and a sense of belonging

B. Connected communities through environmental stewardship

Projects that connect people with the natural environment while protecting and enhancing Tasmania's unique places.

Examples may include:

- Conservation and restoration activities
- Community-led environmental projects
- Sustainability education and awareness programs
- Initiatives that encourage people to care for and connect with their local environment

C. Connected communities through economic opportunity

Projects that create pathways for participation, skills development and economic resilience.

Examples may include:

- Employment and training initiatives
- Skills development and mentoring programs
- Youth development opportunities
- Projects that support local economic participation and community self-sufficiency

3. Project details

Applicants must:

- Clearly explain the project and identify the community need it addresses.
- Detail how grant funding will be used.
- Provide a project budget outlining key costs.
- Demonstrate why the proposed expenditure is necessary to achieve the intended outcomes.
- Show that the project is practical, achievable and represents value for money.

4. Measurable outcomes and impact assessment

Applicants must provide clear and measurable outcomes and explain how success will be monitored and evaluated.

Examples may include:

- Number of people participating
- Number of volunteers engaged
- Number of community partnerships established
- Improvements in accessibility or participation
- Environmental outcomes achieved
- Employment, education or training outcomes delivered
- Community satisfaction or wellbeing measures

Applicants should describe:

- Expected outcomes
- Key performance indicators (KPIs)
- Evaluation methods
- How results will be reported

5. Local relevance

Applicants should demonstrate:

- A clear understanding of local community needs.
- How the project will maximise benefits for Tasmanian communities.
- How local networks, partnerships or community consultation have informed the project.
- How the project is locally led, locally embedded or delivered using local resources.
- How the project will create lasting benefits for the community.

Assessment criteria

Community grants & Connecting Communities Award

Applications will be assessed against:

Criteria	Weighting
Community connection outcomes	40%
Social, environmental and/or economic impact	25%
Measurable outcomes and evaluation	15%
Local relevance and community need	10%
Project feasibility and value for money	10%

Advertising in kind

Applications will be assessed on:

- Alignment with community connection outcomes
- Social, environmental and/or economic impact
- Audience reach and campaign effectiveness
- Organisational readiness and ability to deliver the campaign

Terminal activation opportunities

Applications will be assessed on:

- Alignment with community connection outcomes
- Social, environmental and/or economic impact
- Passenger engagement potential
- Operational suitability and readiness

How you'll receive funding

- All applicants will be advised in writing of the outcome of their application.
- Successful organisations may receive cash funding, in-kind advertising, terminal activation opportunities, or a combination of these.
- Funding will be transferred by electronic funds transfer into a bank account held by the successful organisation.
- Funding is not transferable and must only be used for the purpose outlined in the approved application.
- Hobart Airport reserves the right to request updates on project delivery and outcomes.

Eligibility – who can apply?

Applications will only be considered if the applicant organisation:

- Is based in Tasmania and provides services that benefit Tasmanian communities.
- Is a registered charity or not-for-profit organisation.
- Supports a charitable purpose aligned with these guidelines.
- Demonstrates community connection outcomes and at least one social, environmental or economic outcome area.
- Has an Australian Business Number (ABN).
- Has an Australian bank account corresponding to its ABN.
- Submits a complete application in accordance with these guidelines.

Applications that do not meet the eligibility requirements will not be considered.

PREVIOUS GRANT RECIPIENT



Charity:

Aurora Disability Services

Funding awarded:

\$5,000

Project:

Funding supported the replacement of a commercial coffee machine and grinder at Aurora's Car Yard Café, helping sustain vocational training opportunities and community participation for people living with disability.

Projects we might fund

Examples of projects that may be considered include:

- Community inclusion programs
- Volunteer initiatives
- Environmental restoration activities
- Education or awareness campaigns
- Employment pathway programs
- Skills development and mentoring projects
- Community events that create lasting connections
- Equipment or resources essential to the delivery of an eligible project
- Projects that improve accessibility and participation
- Community-led environmental programs
- Youth development initiatives

This list is not exhaustive.

What we won't fund

We generally do not fund:

- Projects that benefit only an individual
- Political parties or political activities
- Sporting clubs and sporting organisations, unless the project clearly demonstrates benefits beyond the organisation's normal activities and delivers measurable community connection, social, environmental and/or economic outcomes.
- Government entities
- Commercial sponsorships
- Religious, gambling, weapons or military-related activities
- Retrospective funding requests
- Debt repayment or budget deficits
- Endowments or bequest programs
- General fundraising appeals or donations
- High-risk activities
- Activities that cause environmental harm
- Alcohol, drug or tobacco-related activities as the primary purpose
- Discriminatory or exclusionary activities
- Projects delivered primarily outside Tasmania

Reporting and acquittal

Successful applicants will be required to provide a written report within four weeks of project completion.

The report must include:

- Evidence that funding was used for the approved purpose.
- Details of project activities delivered.
- Outcomes achieved.
- Community connection outcomes generated.
- Social, environmental and/or economic outcomes achieved.
- Evidence of how KPIs were measured and met.
- Information about who benefited from the project.

Recipients may also be asked to provide photographs, case studies, testimonials and impact stories demonstrating the outcomes of the project and how it strengthened community connections.

Recipients may be invited to participate in promotional activities including photography, media opportunities and publications that help share their story with the wider Tasmanian community.

How to apply

Applications are accepted online only through the Hobart Airport Community Grants website.

To apply:

1. Review these guidelines carefully.
2. Confirm your organisation and project are eligible.
3. Complete the online application form.
4. Submit your application before the closing date.

We will not accept:

- Incomplete applications
- Multiple applications for the same project
- Applications submitted by email or post

If you require assistance, please contact:

communitygrants@hobartairport.com.au

We recognise that English is not everyone's first language. Applications will not be assessed on English proficiency; however, responses should be sufficiently clear for assessment purposes.

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