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Responsible Officer Chief Executive Officer

POLICY TITLE COMMUNITY AND EVENT GRANTS POLICY

POLICY NUMBER CPOL/COMM805

1. PURPOSE

This policy provides guidance for the allocation of community and event grant funds to the community.

2. SCOPE

This policy applies to grants made by the Swan Hill Rural City Council (Council) to community groups and other organisations for the purpose of encouraging and supporting community, and event development within the municipality. This includes cultural, heritage, recreational and environmental activities aiming to improve community identity, pride, cohesion, and economic development opportunities.

The policy covers the administrative processes to facilitate the allocation of money set aside in Council's annual budget for community grants, scholarships and events.

3. POLICY

Grants will be considered for any project or program that complements the Council Plan, and enhances the health, wellbeing and/or economic benefit of the community.

The budget for the Community and Event Grants Program will be determined by Council annually and divided into the following categories:

- **3.1. Community Development Fund** Funding for community groups and organisations to assist with projects, programs and activities.
- **3.2.** Youth Endeavour Scholarship—Funding to facilitate school students' transition out of secondary school.
- **3.3. Event Support Fund** Funding for organisations and community groups to assist in the support and development of events in the municipality.

4. RELATED POLICIES/PROCEDURES/DOCUMENTS

Council Loan Support POL/CORP202

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5. RELATED LEGISLATION

Nil

6. DOCUMENT HISTORY

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| 1.1 | December 2014 | Review |
| 1.2 | May 2018 | Review |
| 1.3 | September 2020 | Review |
| 1.4 | February 2022 | Review |
| 1.5 | April 2023 | Review |

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