

# INTRODUCTION

churches of Christ in NSW & ACT, are eager to support local churches in new community opportunities and kingdom initiatives through our grant funding scheme. The team desire to journey with churches who are looking for innovative ways to connect with and support their local communities and require financial assistance.

If your church is exploring new ways to connect with and support your local community, these grants will enable you to "have a go" at a new initiative. Grants are also available to assist churches with resourcing needs, which may include rectifying important WHS issues.

## **GRANTS ASSESSMENT COMMITTEE**

Grants are overseen by the GAC (Grants Assessment Committee), a subcommittee of Conference Executive. The committee consists of one Conference Executive member, a Property Trust member, and a minimum of three members from our local churches.

The GAC meets throughout the year to review grant applications and approve suitable church ventures.

Grant funds have been made available from two sources:

- Trust funds (overseen by the Property Trust). Legacies and bequests that have been invested and receive interest earnings are allocated to church grants each year. Each trust fund has its own peculiarities on how the monies can be used, but generally the funds are available for church planting, evangelism, training, and general purposes.
- Funds made available by Conference Executive in the churches of Christ in NSW & ACT budget for the specific purpose of providing grants to churches.

The GAC ensures funds are used according to the purpose they were intended, and an accountability structure is built into the grants process.

Grant applications are designed to assist churches in understanding a grant application process, so that churches can then apply for community grants in their local area. Further details may be found at: https://ccnswact.org.au/leaderships/grants/

### **NEW KINGDOM INITIATIVE GRANTS**

Grants are available to church of Christ Communities to encourage the beginning and continuation of new, adventurous and transformative expressions. Creating opportunities where people in need are being assisted, equipped and empowered towards their Kingdom destiny and design.

New initiatives could be a temporary missional activity, evangelistic opportunity, social enterprise or care ministry to name a few.

### RESOURCING GRANTS

church of Christ Communities can apply for a resource grant to update their compliance requirements to ensure churches are in safe, skilled hands. This grant may support safe ministry practices in network churches and ensure facilities are safe and compliant.

### **HOW DO I APPLY?**

An application form and guidelines are available at: https://ccnswact.org.au/leaderships/grants/

We look forward to what God is doing in our network and want to come alongside spiritual leadership teams as they explore new ways to bring fresh hope to their local context.

If you would like to discuss an idea or seek further information please contact us on 8573 6000 or email hello@ccnswact.org.au.

# EPHESIANS 4:16 FROM HIM THE WHOLE BODY, JOINED AND HELD TOGETHER BY EVERY SUPPORTING LIGAMENT, GROWS AND BUILDS ITSELF UP IN LOVE, AS EACH PART DOES ITS WORK.



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