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Caring for Community

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## 2024 Community Grants Program Guidelines

**NSW Ports is pleased to launch the fourth annual Community Grants Program and is now accepting applications for our 2024 round.**

Building strong and collaborative relationships with our local communities is a top priority for NSW Ports. Our investments help make our local communities better places to live, work, learn, and play by enhancing health and well-being, education opportunities, and the environment. Together, we can build strong, inclusive, and thriving communities of which we can all be proud.

One-off grants of up to \$25,000 are once again available to support not-for-profit organisations, community groups, or schools with innovative project ideas, programs, or initiatives that will support communities living in close proximity to NSW Ports' operations at Port Botany, Port Kembla, Enfield Intermodal Logistics Centre, and Cooks River Intermodal Terminal.

The NSW Ports 2024 Community Grants Program complements our existing sponsorships, which we partner with community groups including local surf life saving clubs, environmental protection groups such as Conservation Volunteers Australia, and seafarer welfare organisations like The Mission to Seafarers.

### Application Process

#### How to Apply

For consideration in the NSW Ports 2024 Community Grants Program, you must meet the eligibility criteria outlined below and submit an Application Form (including all supporting information) by no later than 5:00pm (AEST) on Sunday 28 April 2024 via [here](#).

#### Eligibility Criteria

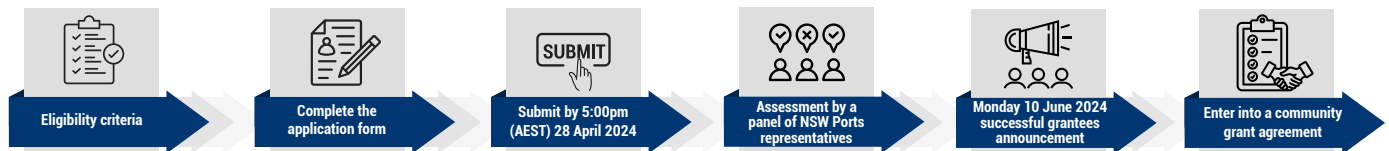
**Location and recipients:** The NSW Ports 2024 Community Grants Program is open to Australian registered not-for-profit organisations, community groups, and schools with an ABN and Australian bank account (unless otherwise agreed by NSW Ports) that have a clear vision and goal to enhance the communities living nearby our ports and intermodal terminals through projects, programs or initiatives. [Click here for more information](#) about our local operational areas.

**Mission:** 2024 grant projects must create opportunities to foster thriving communities by generating positive outcomes in the areas of: education, health, economic development, environment, arts and culture, social welfare, or emergency relief.

**Timing:** 2024 grant projects must be delivered and completed within twelve (12) months of participation in the NSW Ports 2024 Community Grants Program being confirmed, with grant funding expended by no later than 30 June 2025.

**Understanding:** 2024 grant projects must provide opportunities for promoting a community-wide understanding of NSW Ports, our role, and contribution to local communities. This may include installing promotional signage, public relations activities or other ways to acknowledge NSW Ports' role in supporting the project.

## Key Application Steps



## Project Requirements

As part of your application, you will be asked to provide an overview of the proposed project, program or initiative, including the following requirements:

- **Target beneficiaries** – who/how many people will benefit from your project.
- **Project delivery** – how will your project be delivered and what key milestones will be met as part of this process.
- **Funding requirements** – how much are you applying for and is it full or partial funding of your project.
- **Focus area** – how will your project create positive outcomes in the areas of:
  - Education
  - Health
  - Economic development
  - Environment
  - Arts & culture
  - Social welfare
  - Emergency relief
- **Impact** – outline how your project will deliver measurable outcomes – what will success look like and how will you measure it.

Applicants are responsible for ensuring that the information supplied in their application is complete and accurate.

### NSW Ports will not support projects that:

- Do not align with the NSW Ports Community Grants Program eligibility criteria.
- May have a negative impact on NSW Ports' reputation.
- Require unreasonable grant fees.
- Are dangerous, immoral, or political in nature.
- Are already fully funded by existing government funding streams.

## About NSW Ports

NSW Ports manages Port Botany and Port Kembla, which together handle millions of tonnes of diversified trade each year, including containers, bulk liquids and gases, bulk grains and materials, and project-related cargo.

NSW Ports also manages the Enfield Intermodal Logistics Centre and Cooks River Intermodal Terminal. With direct rail links to Port Botany, these intermodal hubs play a key role in supporting NSW's freight task and help reduce truck movements on Sydney's roads.

These port and intermodal facilities are essential services and play a critical social and economic role within NSW, contributing \$13.6 billion annually to NSW Gross State Product and supporting around 65,000 jobs.

## How recipients will be selected

All complying applications will be assessed by a NSW Ports review panel according to the strength of the project against the eligibility criteria and project requirements.

To give your application the best chance of securing a grant, ensure you clearly demonstrate how you meet each eligibility criterion and project requirement.

Where appropriate, NSW Ports may seek to discuss the proposed project/ program/ initiative with you in more detail. As part of this process, NSW Ports may require applicants to participate in certain third-party due diligence processes.

By submitting an application, applicants consent to NSW Ports using and disclosing the information provided for the purpose of the selection process.

Due to the number of applications typically received and funding caps, it is likely that some applicants/applications that satisfy the eligibility criteria and project requirements will not be invited to participate in this year's program. The final selection of recipients and any grant amount awarded is at the sole discretion of NSW Ports. NSW Ports will advise applicants of the outcome of their applications, however, please note that NSW Ports is not required to provide details regarding the decision-making process or outcomes.

## What happens if you are successful?

If you are successful in your grant application, NSW Ports will contact you to provide the good news and discuss next steps. You may also be invited to participate in a formal launch announcement, which will occur before the end of June 2024 (date to be confirmed).

Partnering with NSW Ports will also involve other obligations and commitments, including:

1. Entering into a legally binding Community Grant Agreement which will be tailored to suit your project and will outline your obligations in more detail.
2. Providing a tax invoice for grant funds to be paid to you.
3. Using the funds on activities to be conducted during the agreed funding period (up until 30 June 2025).
4. Reporting on the progress, completion, and social impact of the project via an online survey.
5. Providing an avenue for promoting a community-wide understanding of NSW Ports, our role and contribution to local communities.



### APPLICATIONS

Open: Friday 15 March

Close: 5pm Sunday 28 April

## For More Information:

For additional information, check our frequently asked questions at [nswports.com.au/grants](https://nswports.com.au/grants) or contact our team: [community@nswports.com.au](mailto:community@nswports.com.au)

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