

MEDIA RELEASE

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Yarriambiack Shire Council Mayor, Ray Kingston today announced the opening of the SHARE Community Grants.

SHARE (SUSTAINABLE HEALTHY ADAPTABLE RESILIENT ENGAGED) Program is a community planning process to assist communities to:

- Develop Community Action Plans
- Promote individual projects for prospective funding and support
- Coordinate and plan for future infrastructure and service needs
- Build relationships and connections with stakeholders and other communities in times of significant change

A total pool of approximately \$20,000 is available in this round for community projects. The grant program is open from January 29, 2016 and closes on March 11, 2016.

Eligible projects may include small equipment, events, projects that support shared facilities/equipment, seed funding for larger projects and projects that encourage visitors and tourism to the region. Projects that are not eligible include retrospective funding, prizes, raffles, wages, insurance and ongoing maintenance or running costs.

Mayor Ray Kingston said, "The SHARE Community Grants have been a long running program for Yarriambiack Shire Council and provide much needed funding for community projects. These grants are just one of the many ways that the Yarriambiack Shire tries to support our hard working community groups in implementing their visions. The maximum amount of funding a community group can apply for in this round is \$3000 and all applications will be considered unless the organisation had received funding in the previous round".

Chief Executive Officer, Ray Campling said "Interested community groups should visit the Yarriambiack Shire Council web site at www.yarriambiack.vic.gov.au to obtain the SHARE Community Grant guidelines and application forms or alternatively contact the Warracknabeal office on 5398 0100."

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