

## Community Capacity Small Grants

Cradle Coast Authority is now delivering Round 2 of the *Community Capacity Small Grants* to support Landcare, Coastcare, Aboriginal and Friends of groups participating in NRM activities in the Cradle Coast region.

The grants aim to help support our local community groups to continue their valuable natural resource management work on the ground and through community engagement and education.

### Who can apply?

Landcare, Coastcare, Aboriginal and Friends of groups participating in natural resource management (NRM) activities in the Cradle Coast region\*. These groups must be undertaking activities to improve awareness and knowledge of our natural assets and or taking appropriate conservation action to support them. The grant will also support Tasmanian Aboriginal groups to undertake activities which support access, healing, protection and management of land, sea and sky Country.

\*The Cradle Coast region includes the Council areas of Burnie City, Central Coast, Circular Head, Devonport City, Kentish, King Island, Latrobe, Waratah-Wynyard and West Coast.

### Who is ineligible to apply?

Government, political groups, schools and for-profit organisation are NOT eligible for these grants.

How much funding is available?

### The grants available:

*Small Grants* up to \$3000 (ex GST)

Applications close midnight **Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2022**, grant activity to be completed by 10<sup>th</sup> June 2024.

### What types of activities will be funded?

**Community Capacity Small Grants Round 2 will consider funding for activities that contribute to the following outcomes:**

- Increase community group capacity and participation in natural resource management and environmental monitoring.
- Protect and enhance native vegetation, waterways, riparian buffers, native species and reduce weeds through targeted on-ground works.
- Increase knowledge and skills in conservation, protection and maintenance of natural assets.

### Types of activities which may be supported include:

- Habitat enhancement through protection, rehabilitation and revegetation. Activities that increase skills, knowledge and awareness in the wider community of our natural resources and/or Tasmanian Aboriginal management of land, sea and sky Country.
- Contract labour or specialist advice to support conservation of our natural assets (travel and accommodation expenses for visiting specialists maybe considered if it is essential to achieve conservation outcomes).

- Equipment and resources used for the restoration, protection or maintenance of our natural assets.
- Interpretive signage, printing and communications resources that improve awareness and knowledge of our natural assets and appropriate conservation action to support them.
- Access to training and personal protective equipment (PPE) to ensure volunteer and public safety while undertaking NRM activities.

## **What are ineligible activities?**

The following activities will NOT be supported:

- Projects outside the Cradle Coast region
- Purchase of non-native plant species
- Purchases of major equipment, such as computers, printers, software, machinery and power tools
- Waterway engineering plans and works
- Cost of public liability insurance
- Employment costs for community group volunteers and coordinators
- Capital works and infrastructure such as the construction of rock walls, car parks, green houses, and sheds
- Retrospective payments for already completed works

## **Project conditions to consider:**

Groups are eligible to apply for one project only. Acquittal of previous projects is required, unless previously arranged with Cradle Coast NRM.

Incorporated groups are preferred. If your group is not incorporated, you may consider a sponsoring arrangement with an incorporated organisation.

Applicants are encouraged to provide cash and/or in-kind contributions (materials and labour) to complement the grant funding. A demonstrated commitment to on-going maintenance of the project is also expected.

Ensure the Land Manager (Council, Parks and Wildlife Service or Crown Land Services) has provided your group with permission to undertake the project and all necessary planning, regulatory and other approvals, permits and permissions are obtained (e.g. cultural heritage assessments). Ensure the Land Manager has signed the application. Where works will be undertaken on leased land, the permission of the property owner must be obtained for the project.

Project payments will be paid on delivery of committed project milestones, which will be negotiated with successful candidates.

## **How will applications be assessed?**

Applications will be assessed by an internal Cradle Coast Authority assessment panel based on information provided in completed Application Forms.

Criteria projects will be assessed against are:

- Meeting program objectives.
- Level of community engagement.
- Conservation outcomes.

- Project methodology and capacity of the community group to successfully deliver the project on time.
- Value for money – we look more favourably on a 1-1 in-kind or cash contribution.

## **Application process and key dates**

Before submitting an application for a *Community Capacity Small Grant* applicants are encouraged to give NRM Engagement Officer Hannah Sadler a call to discuss their project and plan for delivery on ph. 0427554793 or [hsadler@cradlecoast.com](mailto:hsadler@cradlecoast.com).

Applications will need to be submitted before the following closing dates:

*Community Capacity Small Grant* Round 2 applications close midnight **Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2022**.

### **Send applications to:**

[hsadler@cradlecoast.com](mailto:hsadler@cradlecoast.com)

Subject Title: CC Small Grant Application-Your group name

### **Application notification**

Applicants will be notified via email when the application has been received.

Successful applicants will be notified by email. Relevant documents will then be forwarded outlining terms and conditions prior to commencement of works.

Unsuccessful applicants will be notified by email.

Cradle Coast Authority reserves the right to make the final decision on granting project funds and/or adjusting budgets.

For more information on the *Community Capacity Small Grants* please contact:

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