

Youth Participation Grant Program 2019

Application Guidelines

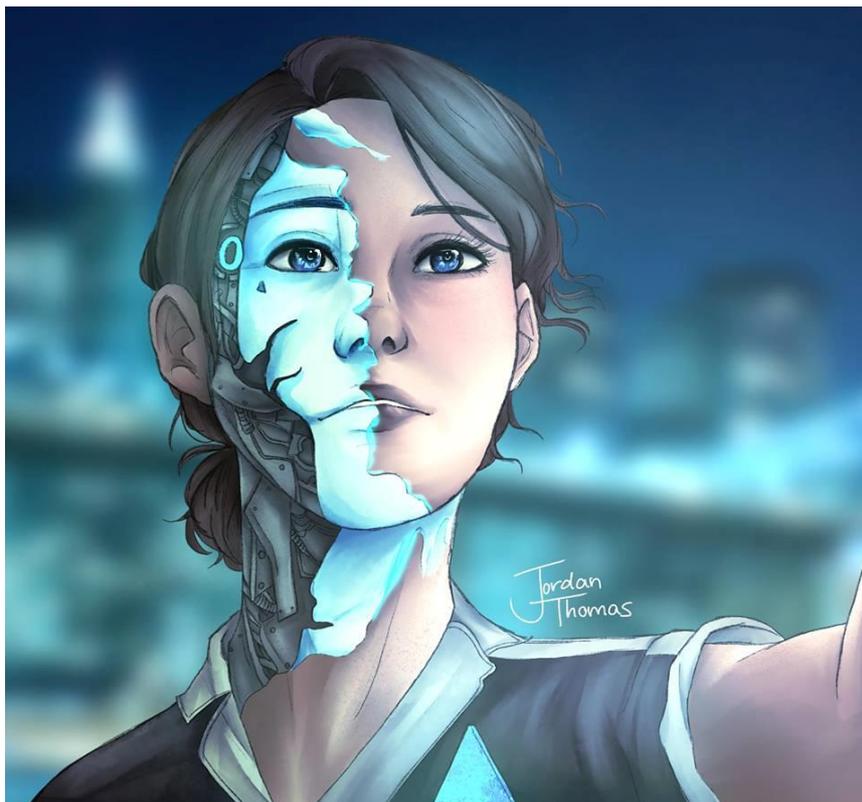


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What is the City of Whittlesea Youth Participation Grant Program?

The City of Whittlesea Youth Participation Grant Program (YPGP) is a pilot project providing funding of up to **\$2,000 ex. GST** to support projects, activities and events that are planned, driven and delivered by young people, for young people who live, work, study or play in the City of Whittlesea.

The YPGP is another way of delivering the goals of [YouthPlan 2030+](#), which aims to engage young people in democratic processes, active citizenship and in planning to achieve the best possible outcomes for young people, their families and carers, and their communities. The YPGP is also a way of achieving the goals of [Whittlesea 2040: A place for all](#).

Grant timelines

Applications open on **Friday 10 May 2019** and close on **Sunday 09 June 2019**.

Successful applicants will have 12 months to deliver their project, from July 2019 until July 2020.

Who can apply?

To be eligible:

- Applicants must be aged between 10 to 25
- Applicants must live, work, study or play in the City of Whittlesea
- Applicants must be supported and mentored (auspiced) by an incorporated not-for-profit organisation or school.

Auspice organisations

All applicants are required to partner with an incorporated organisation or school to deliver their project. You must confirm your project auspice organisation before you submit your grant application.

The auspice organisation is one that actually gets given the grant money on your behalf. They also have the responsibility for making sure that the project gets completed on time.

Auspice organisations can support applicants with the delivery of the project, but the project applicants (young people) must come up with the project idea. The YPGP is designed for young people to run their own youth focused activities and projects and we want to be sure that the project is your idea and something you want to do.

Examples of auspice organisations include schools, sports clubs, neighbourhood houses or other not-for-profit organisations.

Funding priorities

Priority will be given to projects, activities or events that align with the focus areas of Council's Youth Plan 2030+:

1. Development and Transition of Young People

Projects that promote young people's healthy transition from adolescents to adult hood and build their sense of positive self-identity.

2. Relationship and Settings

Projects that recognise the value that family and important adults play in young people's lives and promotes an inclusive and cohesive community which is safe for all young people

3. Environment and Conditions

Projects that recognise the importance of the built environment, build young people's resilience to deal with life's challenges and promotes a community which supports vulnerable young people.

For example, programs, events, activities and projects that provide young people with the opportunity to:

- Explore and express their identity in safe environments
- Develop skills for healthy attitudes, life choices and relationships
- Engage and connect to culture and community
- Access information on physical and mental health, including sexual and reproductive health
- Promote active citizenship and civic engagement
- Promote practices, places and spaces that are inclusive of young people and value their unique identity
- Promote fairness and equity through cultural sensitivity and inclusiveness
- Participate in recreation and sport
- Be safe online
- Engage in social action
- Promote an awareness of the impact of gambling on young people
- Promote gender equity and non-discriminatory attitudes
- Promote healthy lifestyles and choices

Eligible items

- Marketing and promotional costs
- Venue or meeting room hire
- Fees for temporary staff to implement a project/ activity i.e. project worker, tutor, artist, instructor or speaker.
- Materials or other items essential to the project/activity
- Equipment hire costs
- Transport costs for activity participants

Ineligible items

- Capital works projects, maintenance or renovations
- Core operational costs
- Activities and events promoting gambling, or where drugs and alcohol are present
- Funding for:
 - prizes
 - trophies
 - donations
 - sponsorship
 - gifts
 - other grant programs
 - air travel

Assessment criteria

Applications will be considered according to how well the evidence provided in your application responds to the following criteria:

1. Alignment to grant objectives (40%)

Will the proposed project benefit young people in the City of Whittlesea?

2. Aims and outcomes (30%)

Has the applicant clearly defined their aims and outcomes?

3. Project inclusivity (20%)

Is the project inclusive and accessible?

4. Budget (10%)

Is the budget reasonable and does it add up?

Submitting your application

1. Ensure you have carefully read and understood these guidelines before completing your application.
2. Applications can be made online at <https://whittlesea.smartygrants.com.au/>
Please note: to apply through SmartyGrants you will need an email address.

Additional assistance

If you need assistance or would like to discuss your grant, please contact:

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