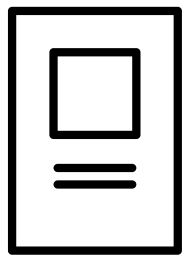


Community Skills Development Grants

Program Summary

PROGRAM OBJECTIVES

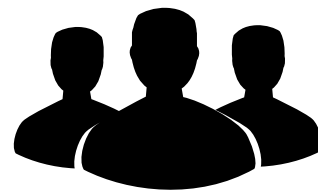
The Community Skills Development Grants enabled groups and networks to strengthen their capacity, develop their skills and operate more effectively through supported learning, development and training opportunities; encouraging knowledge sharing and skills development.



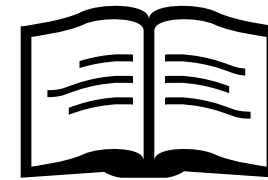
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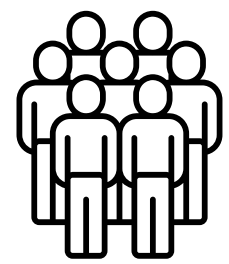
\$458,964
in-kind
contribution



351
training
sessions



1670
hours of
training



4572
participants

Some project photos and feedback about the program



It would be good
to provide a focus
on Traditional
Owner
Engagement.

This grants program has been invaluable in upskilling our committee members and giving members a clear purpose and direction. Thanks to DELWP for this opportunity.



It made groups think about pooling resources and as a result, increased networking opportunities.



This has been a great opportunity for our and multiple partners groups to work collectively to build skills and capacity within our organisations.

We are very grateful for the opportunity to be involved with this project. Although it did not turn out as originally planned, we have enjoyed the process and have found the activities worthwhile.



Thank you so much for this opportunity. We are very grateful and the feedback from the community has been overwhelming.

Include mental health support and training as an eligible activity.

Extremely useful grant - very few grants are available for organisational capacity building.

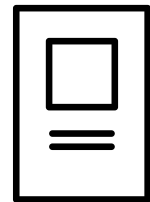
The funding was a catalyst in rethinking our membership recruitment strategy.



This money has increased the capacity of our group enormously and exceeded our expectations.

STREAM 1

Stream 1 - Individual Group Grants. These grants were available for individual groups up to \$5,000 for a maximum of 3 training or skills development activities.



36
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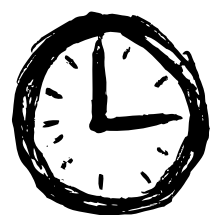
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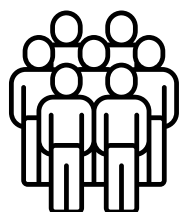
\$153,793
in-kind
contribution



128
training
sessions



628.5
hours of
training



1470
participants



Project ID: 2017CD0005

Project title: Bellarine Catchment Network Community Workshops and Training

Group name: Bellarine Catchment Network

Amount funded: \$4,675

What did the project deliver?

The project achieved all its marine interpretation and first aid training. 20 Community groups and organisations participated in the Marine Interpretation Training, a similar number with the First Aid training and 3 groups and organisations benefited from the social media training.

What were some of the challenges you experienced throughout project?

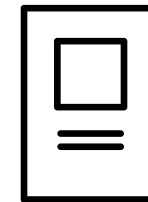
The initial change over of staff delayed the project. Other training provided by DELWP also meant a delay and modification in the Bellarine Catchment Network Social media training, however both were achieved in the end.

What innovative or new approaches did you use to deliver the training?

Skills in social media are being maintained and advanced regularly. We are running Summer By The Sea program in the summer of 2019/20 and the Marine Interpretation will be used by 20 groups and organisations with an ongoing network. An Intrepid Coastcare Mentor Program is being developed on the back of the Marine Interpretation.

STREAM 2

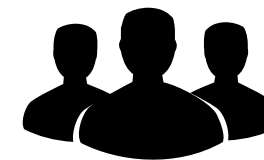
Stream 2 - Network or Partnership Grants. These grants were available for networks or partner organisations up to \$20,000 for a maximum of 5 training or skills development activities.



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approved
projects



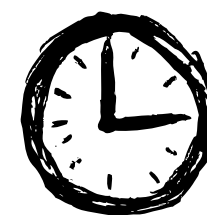
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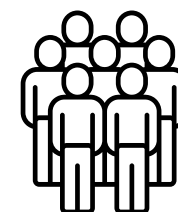
\$305,170
in-kind
contribution



223
training
sessions



1041.75
hours of
training



3102
participants



Project ID: 2017CD2014

Project title: Skills for Landcare Stewardship across Wodonga and Kiewa Valley

Group name: Wodonga Urban Landcare Network Inc

Amount funded: \$19,949

What did the project deliver?

The project has provided practical skills and knowledge which are already being put to use within our networks. Cultural training has increased practical knowledge of Aboriginal culture in the landscape and forged relationships between Traditional Owners and current residents, opening participant's eyes to the evidence of cultural heritage available in our local landscapes.

What were some of challenges you experienced throughout your project?

One of the challenges of the project was translating bookings into people actually attending. We have been increasingly using online bookings (Eventbrite) however, we notice increasingly that people book but do not actually attend.

Comments about the program

Thanks for this opportunity to build capacity within our Networks. We received some great feedback from participants on the sessions we ran and have had requests for further training as a result.