

# 2025-26 Community Grants

## Which grant is best for my community garden?

Please use the table below to explore ideas and examples for your Community Garden project and find the grant that best fits your needs. This is a guide—not a complete list—so be sure your application addresses each grant's objectives and eligibility requirements. If you'd like feedback or support as you prepare your submission, contact the Grants Team on 5272 5560 or at [communitygrants@geelongcity.vic.gov.au](mailto:communitygrants@geelongcity.vic.gov.au).

Community Strengthening Grants	
Grants to support projects, activities or events that respond to a community need and promote inclusion and positive health and wellbeing within the community.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Strategic or business planning workshops</li> <li>✓ Support to set up a new community group</li> <li>✓ Community forum on food insecurity</li> <li>✓ Grow and share own food - food swaps</li> <li>✓ Promote healthy eating - cooking classes</li> <li>✓ Gardening activities with priority groups in our community</li> </ul>
Community Equipment Grants	
Grants to assist with the cost of small equipment purchases to support community groups and not-for-profit organisations to deliver services and programs.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Gardening tools, such as shovels, wheelbarrows, gardening gloves and rakes</li> <li>✓ Electric gardening tools such as mowers and whipper snippers</li> <li>✓ Tree guards</li> <li>✓ Small scale agricultural items such as olive presses and bee hives</li> <li>✓ Composting bins</li> <li>✓ Gardening pots</li> <li>✓ Garden/wicking beds (ready-made)</li> </ul>
Environmental Sustainability Grants	
Grants to support the initiation, development and delivery of projects that enhance our natural environment and drive environmental sustainability actions across the Geelong region.	<p><b>Projects:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Green urban spaces and support sustainable food production</li> </ul> <p><b>Minor Capital Works</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Solar installations</li> <li>✓ Water tanks</li> <li>✓ High efficiency water irrigation</li> <li>✓ Trailer</li> </ul>
Community Infrastructure Grants	
Grants to support the planning and delivery of community-led infrastructure projects that increase community access to places, spaces, and services, where and when they are most needed, and provide facilities that foster and facilitate positive health and wellbeing outcomes.	<p><b>Planning:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Concept plans and drawings</li> </ul> <p><b>Major Capital Works</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Construction of garden beds</li> <li>✓ Fences</li> <li>✓ Sheds/shelters/meeting spaces</li> </ul>

