







GPC'S COMMUNITY INVESTMENT PROGRAM

QUICK GUIDE



# **OUR COMMUNITY FOCUS**

GPC's Community Investment Program aims to contribute funds towards the following community focus areas – 'SEE';

#### SOCIAL

Health/welfare, arts/culture, education, recreation/entertainment

#### **ENVIRONMENT**

The protection and enhancement of our environment

#### **ECONOMY**

Regional development, industry skills development

# **GPC VISION AND MISSION**

## **VISION**

Our vision is to be Australia's premier multi-commodity port.

## **MISSION**

Our mission is to responsibly manage, develop and facilitate the prosperity of others through operating our Port facilities and services in an economically, environmentally and socially sustainable manner.

## **GPC VALUES**

## **GROWTH**

## **Develop & Grow**

We are absolute in our resolve to make a difference. Better people and brighter prospects for future generations. We are not content to rest – encourage high performance. Challenge with respect and courage in our endeavour to maximise our Ports contribution. We will always find a way.

## **PROSPERITY**

#### **Create & Sustain**

We are focussed on facilitating prosperity for others that trade through our Ports. Through our efforts, our customers, shareholders and ourselves will benefit. We will not take for granted what has been created, we will not let it slip, we are united in maximising the region's prosperity. We are proud people.

# **GPC VALUES continued...**

#### COMMUNITY

#### **Care & Contribute**

We are family. We look out for each other. We are respectful neighbours and contribute to our region. We treat our visitors and customers like we do ourselves. We empower people and avoid harm. We demonstrate humility and strive for our communities implicit trust. We acknowledge all communities.

# COMMUNITY INVESTMENT PROGRAM EXCLUSIONS

## There are some proposals that are generally not considered eligible:

- Personal assistance requests;
- Sporting teams and individual athletes;
- Activities that have already occurred;
- Promotion of political parties and campaigns;
- Activities that conflict with GPC values and priorities;
- Major infrastructure projects or purchase of vehicles (includes trailers);
- Events involving alcohol consumption (i.e. race days, break-up events);
- Travel, accommodation and hire costs;
- Organisational expenses (printing, catering, etc.);
- Commercial business ventures.

# **FUNDING LEVELS**

GPC's Community Investment Program has two levels of funding:

#### • Community Partnerships:

This level of funding is for investment over \$10,000 (excluding GST) and is dedicated to projects that have a broad scope, involve multiple parties and/or service multiple community needs.

#### Community Support:

This level of funding is for investment up to \$10,000 (excluding GST). This is entry-level support for events, activities and/or programs that make a genuine 'quality of life' contribution to the community.

# **FUNDING ROUNDS**

GPC's Community Investment Program has two funding rounds each year:

## • Funding Round 1:

Applications open in April, close end of May.

Funding to be processed between August of that year and January of the following year.

#### Funding Round 2:

Applications open during August, close end of September. Funding processed between February and July of the following year.

i.e. Round 1, closing 31 May 2019, for funding between August 2019 and January 2020.

# **SUGGESTIONS TO HELP BEFORE APPLYING**

- Establish what it is your hoping to achieve from the sponsorship proposal;
   i.e. is there a specific component of the event that aligns with GPC's values?
- Have the documents/information accessible on your computer ready to copy and paste into the online application form (\*Note - if you close the application before submitting, you will need to start over).
- Host a brainstorming session with your community group and discuss options for funding that apply to GPC's guidelines. Look at the sustainability of your initiative and highlight opportunities that would be eligible for funding.

# **APPLICATION PROCESS**

- Decide which is the correct funding round for your activity;
- Review application questions; found on the GPC Community Investment webpage <u>www.gpcl.com.au/community/community-investment-program;</u>
- Complete the online application, available at address above. Allow a minimum of 45 minutes uninterrupted time (if you haven't prepared your responses prior). Once you start the application you are unable to save and complete at a later time, and
- Submit your application within the designated Round submission period.

Applications will be assessed according to the availability of funds and the ability of the initiative to meet the community investment criteria.

# **CRITERIA AND EVALUATION**

## **MAUT - Multi-Attribute Utility Theory**

#### WHAT YOUR APPLICATION WILL BE ASSESSED ON

CRITERIA		INDICATORS
1. Values congruence		Appropriate association - aligns with GPC's values
'In keeping with GPC's values'		Appropriate activity – would not reasonably be seen to compromise the public interest
		Affords for high standards of ethical behaviour and fair dealing
2. Strategic alignment		Supports GPC's vision and mission
'Advances strategic outcomes'		Contributes to the advancement of one or more of GPC's strategic objectives
		Aligns to 'SEE' sustainability community focus areas
3. Corporation reputation		Enhancement of GPC's reputation as a good corporate citizen
'Enhances corporate reputation'		Disseminates key messages to target audiences
		High level of exposure and visibility for enhanced community awareness
		Mass appeal to the public, media and other relevant consumers
4. Community reach and impact		Relevant to the region in which GPC operates
'Benefits the target community'		Investment addresses a critical need or recognised imperative within the community
		Community benefits have breadth across the community and/or depth within a particular sector
		Prominent standing within the community
		Opportunity to deliver long-term value
5. Value for money		Appropriate acknowledgement in recognition of investment - ideally prominent stance
'Best opportunity for return'		that sets GPC apart from others
		Potential for long-term sustainable partnerships and relationships
		Outcome focused and suited to performance measures
		Opportunities to leverage investment (e.g. sufficient lead time, volume promotion, campaignable)
		Good return compared to other potential investments (cost vs. benefits)

## **RESPONSE**

- After funding round closes, a response will be forwarded within approximately 8-10 weeks. This is to allow for evaluation, review and GPC Management approval processes.
- GPC team members will liaise with successful applicants as to payment and leverage opportunities.

#### CORRESPONDENCE

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