

# NSW Ports **2025 Community Grants Program Guidelines**

## NSW Ports is pleased to invite applicants to participate in its fifth annual Community Grants Program

As a proud member of its local communities, NSW Ports has developed its Community Grants Program to support initiatives which make local communities and neighbourhoods better places to live, work and play. This commitment to community is reflected in NSW Ports' current Sustainability Strategy, which includes a strategic priority to 'Support thriving communities'.

Now in its fifth year, the NSW Ports Community Grants program offers one-off grants of up to \$25,000 to support not-for-profit organisations, community groups or schools with innovative project ideas, programs or initiatives that will support communities living in close proximity to NSW Ports' operations at Port Botany, Port Kembla, Enfield Intermodal Logistics Centre and Cooks River Intermodal Terminal.

### **Application Process**

## **How to Apply**

For consideration in the 2025 NSW Ports Community Grants Program, you must meet the eligibility criteria outlined below and submit an Application Form (including all supporting information) by no later than 5:00pm (AEST) on Sunday 20 April 2025 via here.

## **Eligibility Criteria**

**Recipients**: The 2025 NSW Ports Community Grants Program is open to Australian registered not-for-profit organisations, community groups and schools with an ABN and Australian bank account that have a clear vision and goal to enhance the communities living through projects, programs or initiatives near our operations sites.

Please note that applications from individuals, hospitals, councils are not able to be considered.

**Location:** To be eligible for this year's grants, the project or program must be located within one of the following eligible postcodes.

- Around Port Botany 2018, 2019, 2020, 2031, 2032, 2033, 2034, 2035, 2036, 2205, 2216, 2217, 2219.
- Around Port Kembla 2500, 2502, 2505, 2506, 2518, 2519, 2525, 2526, 2528
- Around Enfield Intermodal Logistics Centre 2133, 2135, 2136, 2190, 2191, 2192, 2195
- · Around Cooks River Intermodal Terminal 2044

**Click here for more information** about our local operational areas.

**Mission:** 2025 grant projects must create opportunities to foster thriving communities by generating positive outcomes in the areas of: education, health and wellbeing, economic development, environment, arts and culture, social welfare, or emergency services.





**Timing:** 2025 grant projects must be delivered and completed within twelve (12) months of participation in the 2025 NSW Ports Community Grants Program being confirmed, with grant funding expended by no later than 30 June 2026.

**Acknowledgement:** Throughout your project we would encourage you to promote the Community Grants Program to raise awareness among community groups about the opportunities offered through the program.

## **Key Application Steps**













## **Project Requirements**

As part of your application, you will be asked to provide an overview of the proposed project, program or initiative, including the following requirements:

#### Target beneficiaries

Who/how many people will benefit from your project?

#### Proiect delivery

How will your project be delivered and what key milestones will be met as part of this process?

#### Funding requirements

How much are you applying for? How was it costed and is it full or partial funding of your project?

#### Focus area

How will your project create positive outcomes in one of the following areas?

- Education
- Health and wellbeing
- Economic development
- Environment
- Arts & culture
- Social welfare
- Emergency services

#### Impact

Outline how your project will deliver measurable outcomes – what will success look like and how will you measure it?

Applicants are responsible for ensuring that the information supplied in their application is complete and accurate.

#### **NSW Ports will not support projects that:**

- Do not align with the NSW Ports Community Grants Program eligibility criteria.
- Fund employees or salary payments only.
- May have a negative impact on NSW Ports' reputation.
- · Require unreasonable grant fees.
- Are dangerous, immoral, or political in nature.





## How recipients will be selected

All complying applications will be assessed by an NSW Ports review panel according to the strength of the project against the eligibility criteria and project requirements.

To give your application the best chance of securing a grant, ensure you clearly demonstrate how you meet each eligibility criterion and project requirement.

Where appropriate, NSW Ports may seek to discuss the proposed project/ program/ initiative with you in more detail. As part of this process, NSW Ports may require applicants to participate in certain third-party due diligence processes.

By submitting an application, applicants consent to NSW Ports using and disclosing the information provided for the purpose of the selection process.

Due to the number of applications typically received and funding caps, it is likely that some applicants/applications that satisfy the eligibility criteria and project requirements will not be invited to participate in this year's program. The final selection of recipients and any grant amount awarded is at the sole discretion of NSW Ports. NSW Ports will advise applicants of the outcome of their applications, however, please note that NSW Ports is not required to provide details regarding the decision-making process or outcomes.

## What happens if you are successful?

If you are successful in your grant application, NSW Ports will contact you to provide the good news and discuss next steps. You may also be invited to participate in a formal launch announcement, which will occur before the end of June 2025 (date to be confirmed).

Partnering with NSW Ports will also involve other obligations and commitments, including:

- 1. Entering into a legally binding Community Grant Agreement which will be tailored to suit your project and will outline your obligations in more detail.
- 2. Providing a tax invoice for grant funds to be paid to you.
- 3. Using the funds on activities to be conducted during the agreed funding period (up until 30 June 2026).
- 4. Reporting on the progress, completion, and social impact of the project via an online survey.
- 5. Providing an avenue for promoting a community-wide understanding of NSW Ports, our role and contribution to local communities.

#### **About NSW Ports**

NSW Ports manages Port Botany and Port Kembla, which together handle millions of tonnes of diversified trade each year, including containers, bulk liquids and gases, bulk grains and materials, and project-related cargo.

NSW Ports also manages the Enfield Intermodal Logistics Centre and Cooks River Intermodal Terminal. With direct rail links to Port Botany, these intermodal hubs play a key role in supporting NSW's freight task and help reduce truck movements on Sydney's roads.

These port and intermodal facilities are essential services and play a critical social and economic role within NSW, contributing \$13.6 billion annually to NSW Gross State Product and supporting around 65,000 jobs. We are proud to have a large proportion of our own workforce living in the local communities we operate in.

#### For More Information:

For additional information, check our frequently asked questions at nswports.com.au/grants or contact our team: community@nswports.com.au

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