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## GUNDAGAI COUNCIL STRONGER COMMUNITIES FUND 2016 OPEN

The Gundagai Council Community Grants program will allocate up to \$1 million in grants to incorporated not-for-profit community groups, for projects that build more vibrant, sustainable and inclusive local communities.

The grant initiative forms part of the Stronger Communities funding that is now available to our newly created council as part of the NSW Government's Fit for the Future reform program.

Administrator Christine Ferguson commented on the fund. 'To be successful for funding community projects must deliver social, cultural, economic or environment benefit to their communities. Community groups must demonstrate their ability to manage the project and the capacity to contribute additional funds if required after the Stronger Communities Funding has been spent'.

General Manager Ken Trethewey reiterated "This is a wonderful opportunity for Community Groups to reap the rewards of our merger and build on their role in our communities".

The maximum grant allocation available per project nomination is \$50 000.

Guidelines and Application packs are available from Gundagai Council, Gundagai Office 255 Sheridan Street, Gundagai and Cootamundra Office 81 Wallendoon Street Cootamundra or online at <http://www.gundagai.nsw.gov.au/home.aspx> and <http://www.cootamundra.nsw.gov.au/home.aspx>

Interested groups are encouraged to direct their queries to Gundagai Council via Miriam Crane at the Gundagai Office 69440200 and Linda Wiles at the Cootamundra Office 69402100.

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