Bell Bay Aluminium annually offers grants of up to $3000 for community organisations based in Tasmania to help fund projects across the state that will have a real difference and have a positive impact on local communities.
ABOUT BELL BAY ALUMINIUM:

Bell Bay Aluminium is part of the Rio Tinto Group, a global leader in aluminium. The Bell Bay Aluminium smelter is situated on the Tamar River in Tasmania’s north approximately 5km from George Town and 50km from Launceston. The smelter produces around 190,000 of aluminium each year and operates 24 hours, 365 days per year.

Bell Bay Aluminium has a major influence on the economic wellbeing of Northern Tasmania, creating wealth for community through employment, export earnings, payment of government taxes and charges, direct investment through community programs and strategic community partnerships and the purchase of goods and services from Tasmanian businesses and suppliers.

ABOUT THE PROGRAM:

Our annual Community Grants program aims to provide financial support by directing community grant funds to organisations, groups and initiatives that impact the Tasmanian community in key social, environmental and economic focus areas. Identification of key focus areas ensures that funds have an impact where needed most.

Grants are available up to a maximum value of $3,000 each.
Bell Bay Aluminium’s community grant support is directed towards investing for impact in key focus areas in the local and broader Tasmanian community. Key focus areas are identified with thorough consideration and assessment of up to date socio-economic data.
ABOUT FUNDING FOCUS AREAS:

Our annual Community Grants Program focuses investment across several key focus areas informed by socioeconomic data and community plans aligned to Bell Bay Aluminium’s values and objectives.

Organisations, groups and initiatives applying for funding from the Program will operate with a focus on having a positive impact in the community under one or more of the key focus areas.

Applicants should select the area or areas that most closely align with their organisation’s purpose, values, objectives and ethos.

Applicants may select as many focus areas as are relevant, but will be required to explain how their organisation or project initiative meets the eligibility criteria under the selected focus area or areas.

EDUCATION:
Including a focus on education, contribution to education and/or, improvement in education. Some examples include:
- Improved access to education,
- Supports and improves diverse forms of learning,
- Fosters inclusive education practices,
- Improves learning and education outcomes.

CULTURE & HERITAGE:
Including a focus on elevating and respecting culture and history. Some examples include:
- Supports the elevation, promotion, respect and education of the culture and history of Indigenous populations,
- Supports the promotion, preservation and education of culturally and historically significant artefacts, architecture, events, locations.

ENVIRONMENT:
Including a focus on environment and positive contribution to environmental causes. Some examples include:
- Improved environmental practices and outcomes,
- Supports preservation of native flora and fauna,
- Significant focus on environmental sustainability,
- Supports the circular economy.

HEALTH & WELLBEING:
Including a focus on the health and wellbeing of persons in the community. Some examples include:
- Improved health and wellbeing of community members,
- Focus on improved community health outcomes,
- Focus on mental health initiatives and mental health awareness in the community.

INCLUSION & DIVERSITY:
Including a focus on ensuring that diverse groups and individuals are included, supported and safe in our communities. Some examples include:
- Aims to reduce inequality,
- Focus on increasing community participation amongst diverse groups,
- Aims to increase gender diversity.

ECONOMIC:
Focus on improvement to economic outcomes for community, diversification of economy in local communities, supports the economic wellbeing of vulnerable or at risk groups. Some examples include:
- Focus on improving economic indicators in the community,
- Skills development for the community’s future needs,
- Focus on improving employability, building capacity.
ELIGIBILITY:

The applicant organisation and the project must be based in Tasmania

Organisations applying for community grants will need to meet the following criteria to be eligible for funding.

FUNDING WILL NOT BE PROVIDED TO:

- Individuals
- Commercial or private business
- Pursuits that financially benefit an individual or group of individuals
- Political groups or projects that benefit a political party
- Fundraising campaigns or appeals
- Ongoing labour costs rather than for a defined project

CONSIDERATION WILL BE GIVEN TO:

- Not for profit’s
- Charities
- Sporting Clubs
- Community service organisations
- Cultural groups
INFORMATION FOR APPLICANTS:

Applications will be accepted via https://bbacomgrants.grantplatform.com

- The annual grant round will be advertised via Bell Bay Aluminium’s website www.bellbayaluminium.com.au, our Facebook page and in local newspapers.
- Applicants should ensure they provide all requested information in their application for consideration, including.
  - Confirmation that the organisation, group or initiative meets the criteria for consideration,
  - Demonstrate that the organisation, group or initiative positively impacts on the community in one or more of the key focus areas,
  - Clearly outline the intended use of funds being applied for,
  - Any other information requested and answers to all relevant questions.
- Only online applications will be accepted.
- Late applications will not be accepted.
- Approval of a grant does not commit BBA to any future financial assistance to the organisation.
- If there is a third party involved, for example, a sponsor the applicant remains responsible for all parties to abide by the terms and conditions of the grant.
- BBA shall not be liable for any loss or damage whatsoever which is suffered (including but not limited to indirect or consequential loss) or for any personal injury suffered or sustained in connection with funded projects.
- Once a grant has been awarded any shortfall required for the completion of the project needs to be covered by the organisation or other funding sources.
- BBA collects applicants’ personal information in order to conduct and administer the community grant program. If the information requested is not provided, the applicant may not participate in the program.
- By submitting the application each applicant agrees that BBA may use this information for any media, promotion, marketing and/or publicity purposes without further reference, payment or other compensation to the applicant.
- The project or initiative must have good prospects of successful implementation within 12 months.
HOW ARE APPLICATIONS ASSESSED?

Satisfaction of the eligibility criteria and compliance with the application process does not guarantee the provision of a grant to any applicant. The assessment panel reserves the right in its absolute discretion to choose the successful applicants. The panel’s decision is final and no correspondence will be entered into.

All applications in relation to the final decision, will be reviewed and assessed by a panel of Bell Bay Aluminium employees against set criteria.

WHAT HAPPENS IF AN APPLICATION IS SUCCESSFUL?

Successful applicants must sign a Funding Agreement supplied by BBA and provide BBA with a tax invoice for payment of the funds.

BBA may choose to award grants to successful applicants either in full, or in part.

The grant must be used within 12 months from payment and for the purpose for which it has been provided.

If an organisation is unable to fulfil this requirement the funds must be returned to BBA.

A final acquittal report and photographs of the successful completion of the project must be provided to BBA within 12 months of the receipt of the grant. Photographs are to be made available for use by BBA. An acquittal form will be provided to successful applicants.

WHAT HAPPENS IF AN APPLICATION IS NOT SUCCESSFUL?

Applicants who are not successful will be notified via email within two weeks of the assessment by the judging panel.
FIND OUT MORE:


NEED HELP?

If you have questions about the application process, please contact us by email or telephone:

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