



BELL BAY ALUMINIUM COMMUNITY GRANTS PROGRAM

Bell Bay Aluminium (BBA) annually offers grants of up to \$3000 for community organisations based in Tasmania to help fund projects across the state that will have a significant positive impact on local communities.

BELL BAY ALUMINIUM

Bell Bay Aluminium is part of the Rio Tinto Group, a global leader in aluminium. The smelter began operating in 1955 and holds a unique place in Tasmanian and Australian history as the first aluminium smelter in the Southern Hemisphere.

Situated on the Tamar River in Tasmania's north, approximately 5 kilometres south of George Town and 50 kilometres north of Launceston, the smelter operates 24 hours a day, every day of the year, producing around 190,000 tonnes of aluminium per annum.

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

COMMUNITY GRANTS PROGRAM

Our annual Community Grants Program aims to provide financial support to organisations that positively support 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 up to a maximum value of \$3,000 each are available.



FUNDING FOCUS AREAS

Our annual Community Grants Program focuses investment across key areas informed by socioeconomic data and community plans that align with BBA's values and objectives.

Applicants must select from the following areas that most closely align with their organisation's project, purpose, values, objectives and ethos.

Applicants may select as many focus areas as are relevant, and are required to explain how their project will positively impact Tasmanian communities under each area they select.

EDUCATION

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.

ENVIRONMENT

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.

INCLUSION & DIVERSITY

A focus on ensuring that diverse groups and individuals are included, supported and safe in our communities. Some examples include:

- Reducing inequality,
- Increasing community participation amongst diverse groups,
- Increasing gender diversity.

CULTURE & HERITAGE

A focus on elevating and respecting culture and history. Some examples include:

- Supports the promotion, respect and education of the culture and history of palawa populations,
- Supports the promotion, preservation and education of culturally and historically significant artefacts, architecture, events, locations.

HEALTH & WELLBEING

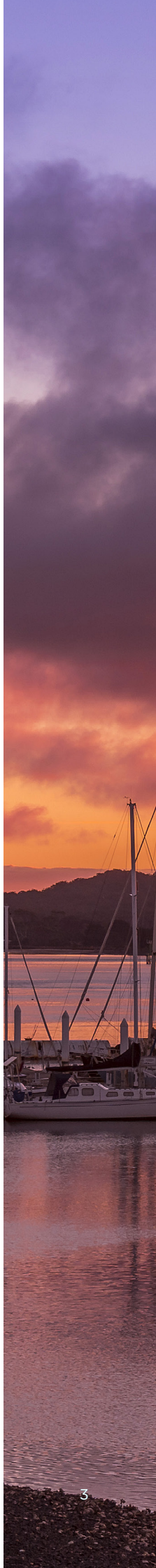
A focus on the health and wellbeing of persons in the community. Some examples include:

- Improved health and wellbeing of community members,
- Improved community health outcomes,
- Mental health initiatives and mental health awareness in the community.

ECONOMIC

A focus on improvement to economic outcomes for community, diversification of economy in local communities or supports the economic wellbeing of vulnerable or at risk groups. Some examples include:

- Improving economic indicators in the community,
- Skills development for the community's future needs,
- Improving employability, building capacity.





ELIGIBILITY

The applicant organisation and the project must be based in Tasmania, align with [BBA's values and objectives](#) and align with one or more of the key funding focus areas.

Organisations must have an ABN. If your organisation does not have an ABN, please supply the details of the organisation that will auspice your application.

CONSIDERATION WILL BE GIVEN TO:

- Not-for-profits
- Charities
- Sporting clubs
- Community service organisations
- Cultural groups

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



HOW TO APPLY

Complete an application at <https://bbacomgrants.grantplatform.com>

*Only online applications will be accepted.

INFORMATION FOR APPLICANTS

- Applicants should ensure they provide all requested information in their application.
- 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 to the 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 must have good prospects of successful implementation within 12 months.

KEY DATES

- **August 1, 2024:**
Entries open at 8am.
- **September 11, 2024:**
Entries close at 5pm.
- **September 16–27, 2024:**
Judging of Community Grants Program.
- **October 3–10, 2024:**
Applicants notified of outcome.
- **October 23, 2024:**
Community Grants Program Morning Tea and Presentation for successful applicants.



HOW APPLICATIONS ARE ASSESSED

All applications, in relation to the final decision, are reviewed and assessed by a panel of BBA employees against the eligibility criteria and the following assessment criteria:

- The project's ability to have a significant positive impact on local communities.
- The viability of the project.

Viability considers clarity of project, allocation of funding, whether the project will have adequate funding to reach completion (including BBA Community Grant funds and alternate funding sources), and realistic timeframes with good prospects of the implementation within 12 months.

Satisfaction of the eligibility and assessment 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.

Applicants will not be disadvantaged or advantaged where potential conflicts of interest exist between an assessment panel member and an applicant. This is managed through Rio Tinto's Business Integrity Standard.

WHAT HAPPENS IF AN APPLICATION IS SUCCESSFUL?

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.

BBA will provide successful applicants with an acquittal template to provide a short report and photographs of their completed project. This must be provided to BBA within 12 months of the receipt of the grant and photographs must be made available for BBA to use.

WHAT HAPPENS IF AN APPLICATION IS NOT SUCCESSFUL?

Applicants who are not successful will be notified via email within two weeks of the assessment taking place.



FIND OUT MORE

<https://bellbayaluminium.com.au/community-grants>

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