

Memorandum



To:	All NSW Clubs & Branches
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Subject:	Grant Opportunity – Keep NSW Beautiful Community Litter Grants (closing as soon as all funds are expended)

Round 3 of the **Keep NSW Beautiful Community Litter Grants** is now open. Funded by the NSW waste levy, the program was started in 2013 and provides financial support for the implementation of projects which make long term impacts on preventing and reducing litter in NSW. The application process includes two stages as follows:

Stage 1: Local Litter Check

Applicants must first carry out a Local Litter check – this means identifying an area that gathers litter – a ‘litter hotspot’, and filling out a checklist of questions, counting litter items and interviewing residents about their use of the area. The same study is undertaken in a ‘clean’ area with similar geographical features. Every applicant who sends KNSWB a completed Local Litter Check form will be **reimbursed \$500** for the Litter check.

Stage 2: Grant Application and implementation

Once completed, applicants are to use the data from the Local Litter Check to develop a plan of action to tackle littering behavior in your area. Please keep in mind the Community Litter Grants Program can only be carried out on public land. **Grants of up to \$5,000** are available to assist with implementing practical activities which encourage local, community-based solutions to reduce and prevent litter.

Priority will be given to projects which:

- address the specific issue of litter and influence litter prevention and/or reduction in a targeted local area;
- are well defined with clear goals, objectives, outcomes and evaluation, and are accurately budget for;
- demonstrate a capacity to leave a legacy beyond the funding period and include activities that can continue after the initial support from the grant; and
- will provide a model for future litter projects, and could be transferred to other communities/implemented on a broader scale.

Please note the following key points:

- Public land owner’s support for the project (via support letter/email accompanying the application) is mandatory.
- Applicants are encouraged to collaborate with other relevant community groups in your region on the project, e.g. Neighbourhood centres, Land Care groups, Canoe clubs etc.
- Infrastructure/capital expenditure items are eligible under the grant provided permission from land/building owners is able to be demonstrated as part of the application.

Applications will close as soon as the remaining grant funds are expended so it is recommend that clubs look at applying sooner rather than later. The application and guidelines can be accessed from knswb.org.au/our-programs/community-litter-grants/.

Please note – if you have any questions regarding the application process, please contact the Surf Life Saving Foundation Grant Seeking Unit on:

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