

Fosterville Gold Mine Community Grants Application Form

Grants of up to \$5,000 (GST inclusive) are available to eligible community groups to support projects or activities that align with the Fosterville Gold Mine Social Responsibility Strategy.

1. Community Grants Overview

Grants of up to \$5,000 (GST Inclusive) are available to eligible applicants to support a wide range of community groups or activities that benefit the communities surrounding the mine at Fosterville. The aim of these grants is to support projects that provide specific sustainable outcomes which have long lasting benefit/s to the wider community. Eligibility is determined based on a set of criteria.

2. Eligibility

2.1 Organisational Status

Not for profit (NFP), sporting and recreation, and community organisations which are **incorporated** are eligible to submit an application for grant funding to Fosterville Gold Mine using the Community Grants Application Form.

Community groups who are not incorporated may use an Auspice to apply for a community grant. An Auspice is an organisation who manages grant funding on behalf of the community group. The Auspice needs to be incorporated and will receive and manage the grant funding, with the community group undertaking the actual project work. If an application is being supported by an auspicing body on behalf of another organisation, the application form must have written approval of the auspicing body submitted with the application, or the application must be submitted by the auspicing body.

2.2 Location

Community Groups/Organisation must be located within the area surrounding Fosterville Gold Mine and the projects or programs must also be delivered within this area. This area is approximately bounded by the townships of Lockington, Milloo, Raywood, Marong, Lockwood, Sedgwick, Redesdale, Heathcote, Toolleen, Colbinabbin, Rochester and Elmore, and is inclusive of Bendigo.

2.3 Criteria

- Projects must provide benefit to a significant number of community members.
- Applicants must detail how the project will be funded and delivered.
- Organisations must obtain all planning and/or building permits and any other authorisations including public liability insurance associated with the project.
- The project must be completed within one calendar year. This may be extended if it is demonstrated that COVID 19 restrictions have resulted in a delay in delivery of the project.
- Organisations must agree to expend grant monies only in accordance with the successful grant project application.

- The project must be based within the local community as described at point 2.2 above.
- The project must address at least two of the goals outlined in the Social Responsibility Strategy.

3. Social Responsibility Strategy

The Fosterville Gold Mine Social Responsibility Strategy positions the organisation to continue to grow a positive legacy in the communities in which it operates. The Five Pillars of Social Responsibility under which Community Grants funding will be considered are:



The full strategy can be downloaded at fgmcommunity.com.au

Applications will not be considered if they do not meet the above eligibility requirements.

4. Applications

4.1 What will not be funded?

- Individuals.
- Political organisations or campaigns.
- Religious organisations for religious purposes.
- Projects which, in the opinion of the administrators/company, are the responsibility of Federal, State or Local Government.
- Organisations who have previously received grant funding but have not properly acquitted the previous funding agreement.
- Appeals on behalf of auxiliaries or foundations undertaking capital appeals of a general nature.
- Applications submitted after the closing date.

- Projects that are for commercial benefit.
- Ongoing core operational costs such as salaries, training, facility maintenance, insurance, rent, utilities etc.
- Retrospective activities or events (activities or events that have already occurred).

4.2 Conditions of the Application

- A detailed budget and schedule of works **must be submitted** with the application. This must include all quotes and where possible at **least two quotes** should be provided.
- All required authorisations must be outlined in the grant application and supporting documentation **must be provided** such as permit applications, letters of support/permission. Failure to do so will make the application invalid.
- The project must demonstrate forward planning, be well organised, and include ongoing support from the group.
- Any unspent grant must be returned to the program at the end of the grant period unless prior approval has been sought.
- Offer of grant by the program in no way implies any ongoing funding commitment or obligation.
- No information will be divulged regarding progress of applications prior to grant announcements.
- The administrators and/or company personnel will be entitled to view a grant project at any time.
- Environmental projects must consider the current regulations of relevant land managers and government authorities when preparing an application. Projects involving revegetation must submit a list of plant species.
- Organisations can submit only one application at a time and acknowledge that Fosterville Gold Mine may not necessarily fund the whole of the requested grant, depending on evaluation of the application and the funds available.

4.3 Assessment

All applications will initially be assessed for eligibility by the FGM Community Department. After an initial assessment all eligible applications will then be reviewed by the FGM Community Grants Committee.

5. Timetable

Applications Open	Friday 21 February 2025, 9am
Applications Close	Monday 24 March 2025, 5pm
Assessment of applications	April 2025
Presentation Event	TBC

6. Acquittals

Successful applicants must complete and submit an acquittal 12 months after grant funds are paid. Organisations that wish to apply for an FGM Community Grant in the future must have acquitted any previous grants.

The acquittal form includes a declaration by the organisation’s treasurer, or authorised officer that the grant funds have been fully spent on the purpose for which the grant was made. The acquittal report will provide details of the project implementation, outcomes and evidence of how the goals of the FGM Social Responsibility Strategy have been met.

Funding is approved at the discretion of the Company/Administrators.

Where support is declined the company/administrators do not advise the reasons for individual decisions.



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Applicant Details

Name of Organisation or Group

Address:

Suburb: State Postcode

Contact Name:

Position Phone:

Email Address:

Is your Organisation or Group registered for GST? YES NO

Is your Organisation or Group incorporated? YES NO

If yes, what is your Organisation's or Group's ABN?

If no, what is the name of you auspicing Organisation?

Group and Contact Name:

Position Phone:

Email Address:

What is your auspicing Organisation or Group's ABN?

Is your auspicing Organisation registered for GST? YES NO

Have you attached approval written approval from your auspicing organisation YES NO

WRITTEN APPROVAL FROM THE AUSPICE ORGANISATION MUST BE PROVIDED WITH YOUR APPLICATION OTHERWISE THE APPLICATION WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED

What is the name of you project?

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AMOUNT OF GRANT SOUGHT \$ (\$5000 maximum including GST)

Summary of project (Include aims, objectives, identified need)



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Tell us about your organisation (history, number of members, purpose)

Who will benefit from your project (community group/community members)

Approximately how many people will benefit from your project?

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Which goals of the Fosterville Gold Mine Social Responsibility Strategy does your project address. A copy of the strategy can be found at fgmcommunity.com.au Please describe how your project meets these goals.



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Proposed Dates / Timelines

Expected Commencement Date:

Expected Time to Complete Project:

Have you previously received any financial support from the Fosterville Community Grants Program? YES NO

If yes, when did you most recently receive this support and what was the successful project?

Have you completed an Evaluation Form / Acquittal Report in relation to this support? YES NO

Who will be responsible for managing the project? (Please provide details of committee of management/organisation)

Acknowledgement of Support from Fosterville Gold Mine

How do you plan to acknowledge the source of funding received, please let us know if any of the following options would be considered (please tick)

- Fosterville Gold Mine logo displayed on your website with associated material related to the project.
- Fosterville Gold Mine logo displayed on plaques, signage etc.
- Verbal recognition of Fosterville Gold Mine’s sponsorship at events associated with the funding.
- Recognition of Fosterville Gold Mine’s sponsorship in any media releases, annual reports, reports to members newsletters etc. in promotional articles relating to the purpose of the funding.
- Acknowledgement of Fosterville Gold Mine as a sponsor in any paid advertising and promotional items relating to the purpose of the funding.
- Placing Fosterville Gold Mine’s banners, signage etc. at events associated with the purpose of the funding.

Other, please specify

How will you judge if the project is a success?



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Does your project require any approvals/permissions/permits to proceed? i.e. land/facility owner permissions, committee of management approval, council permits for infrastructure works.

EVIDENCE OF PERMISSIONS/PERMITS MUST BE PROVIDED WITH YOU APPLICATION TO BE CONSIDERED FORM FUNDING

Budget Details – All quotes must be included with application

Income

Please enter all sources of income for the project including

- Amount of money your Organisation or Group is contributing towards the project (this may be through fundraising etc.);
- Amount of money your Organisation or Group has secured from others (please provide their details); and
- Amount of money your Organisation or Group is seeking from the Fosterville Gold Mine Community Grants Program.

Funding breakdown	\$ GST Inc.
Income/Sources of Funding	
Amount requested from FGM Community Grants Program	
Total Income	\$



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Expenses

Please itemise all areas of expenditure:

Expenses	\$ GST Inc.
Expenses/Costs	
Total Expenses	\$

Declaration of Applicant:

- I acknowledge that all the information provided on this applications form is true and correct.
- I agree that photos provided by my organisation are approved for use by Fosterville Gold Mine
- I agree to provide Fosterville Gold Mine with a completed Acquittal and Evaluation form at the completion of the project.

Name Date

Signature

APPLICATIONS CLOSE 5 PM MONDAY 24 MARCH - NO LATE APPLICATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED