

Small Town Festive Decorations Grants – May 2022

Recommended for Funding

Applicant	Grant details	Amount requested GST inclusive	Amount awarded GST inclusive	Review Panel Notes
Mooroopna Men's Shed	ILLUMINATED CHRISTMAS BOX The Men's Shed currently has a number of Christmas boxes that are displayed in the Main St of Mooroopna during the festive season. It is intended to purchase and install an illuminated box on top of one of these Christmas boxes.	\$2,004.00	\$2,000.00	This application address the criteria of the grant program and will compliment Council's festive program.
Katandra West Recreation Reserve Committee of Management	WREATH & BAUBLES The Committee requests funding to purchase new decorations to be used at the Recreation Reserve to provide the opportunity for the community to come together during the festive season.	\$2,000.00	\$1,427.00	A range of items applied for under this application do not reflect Council's Climate Change policies The panel worked with the committee to review the requested items and a revised quote for a range of more sustainable options was submitted by the applying group and approved by the panel.
Tatura Community Plan Group	LIGHTING & TREE PROGRAM The Group is seeking funds to upgrade the lights around the rotunda at Mactier Park as well as working with the Tatura Lions Club to make Christmas Trees to be installed near the area.	\$2,000.00	\$1,696.00	This is an inclusive community project that will allow for a revitalisation of a highly used community space. This project will compliment Council's bud lighting project to be installed in Tatura in late 2022. As such, part of the grant application for bud lighting was removed, following discussions with the applicant, hence the slight adjust in the amount awarded.
Lions Club of Toolamba	NEW FESTIVE DECORATIONS The Lions club members will install Christmas decorations at Collaura Gardens in Wren Street and at other points around the town to make the township look cheerful and festive.	\$800.00	\$800.00	This is an inclusive community project that will provide an opportunity for the community to come together in both the planning and celebration of the festive season.

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Tallygaroopna Men's Shed	NEW FESTIVE DECORATIONS The Men's Shed Group have requested funds to build a mix of Christmas decorations made of wood or steel (and painted), featuring solar powered decorative lights to be installed throughout the town.	\$1,295.00	\$1,295.00	This is an excellent demonstration of a community project that involves a range of partners including the school, Men's Shed, trades people and the Community Planning Group. A great local project that will be enjoyed by all of the community.
	TOTAL	\$8,099.00	\$7,218.00	

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Withdrawn Application

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Turkish Islamic Cultural Centre and Mosque	<p>LIGHTING & BANNER PROJECT</p> <p>The Turkish Islamic Cultural Centre and Mosque submitted an application for lighting around the Mooroopna Mosque to welcome the holy month of Ramadan. It was proposed to light the minaret, walls, ablution area, trees, fences and surroundings will be lit up at night for the Muslim community when they come together to worship throughout the month.. Colourful banners 'Welcoming Ramadan' and celebrating Eid/Bayram were proposed to be displayed outside the mosque and at several places along McLennan Street in Mooroopna.</p>	\$2,00.00	NIL	<p>The panel commended the Turkish Islamic Cultural Centre and Mosque on their application under the grant round and for acknowledging that festive within our community doesn't mean just mean Christmas.</p> <p>The application did not meet the funding criteria based on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • part of the decorations were to be placed on privately owned land • the dates do not fit within the current funding guidelines for "festive period". <p>The Responsible Council Officer has contacted the applicant and commended them on their initiative. Each party has committed to working together to advance the concept on publicly owned land. This will be advanced as part of a review of the Small Towns Festive Decorations Program.</p> <p>The applicant withdrew their application as the assessment process fell outside of the period for welcoming Ramadan for 2022.</p>