

Councillor Discretionary Funds –2025/2026 Report

Availability Statement

The Mayor and Councillors of Rockhampton Regional Council have been allocated the following Discretionary Funds for use in assisting eligible community organisations across the Region during the 2025/2026 Financial Year:

Mayor	\$ 5,000.00
Councillors	\$ 5,000.00

Councillors are allocated discretionary funds to use in assisting eligible community organisations across the Region. These funds are used at a Councillor's discretion to provide one-off donations in any of the following ways:

- To spend for a community purpose;
- To allocate for capital works of Council that are for a community purpose, but only with the approval of -
 - If the Councillor is the Mayor - the Deputy Mayor and the Chief Executive Officer; or
 - Otherwise - the Mayor and the Chief Executive Officer; or
- To allocate to a community organisation for a community purpose

Councillors have the discretion of allocating those funds in accordance with the Community Grants and Minor Sponsorship Policy and the criteria as set out in the Councillor's Discretionary Funds Policy.

Community organisations wishing to apply for funds should complete a Councillor Discretionary Fund Online Form **or** print and complete a Councillor Discretionary Fund Application Form and submit to the Councillor or email to cdf@rrc.qld.gov.au.

Applications for funds from the Councillor's Discretionary Funds for this current financial year close on 30 June 2026

Mayor Tony Williams

Organisation	Purpose of Donation	Amount
Rockhampton 60 & Better Program Inc	Financial Support for the Great Gatsby themed fancy dress ball to celebrate Seniors Month	\$300.00
Life Education Central Queensland	Financial support towards visits to Depot Hill State School and Park Avenue State School to deliver Healthy Harold educational program	\$500
Total:		\$800.00

Councillor Shane Latcham

Organisation	Purpose of Donation	Amount
St Anthony's Catholic Primary School - P&F Association	St Anthony's Family Fun Day 16 August 2025 - Fundraising Event - Major Raffle Donation - Rockhampton Zoo Animal Encounter value	\$300.00
Central Queensland Nepalese Association	To support the TEEJ Festival 2025	\$500.00
Rockhampton 60 & Better Program Inc	Financial Support for the Great Gatsby themed fancy dress ball to celebrate Seniors Month	\$200.00
Neighbourhood Watch North Rockhampton 4	Financial support for Drink Rite Night program	\$500.00
Parkhurst State School P&C Association	Financial support towards junior swimming program and bus costs	\$1000.00
Total:		\$2,500.00

Councillor Elliot Hilse

Organisation	Purpose of Donation	Amount
Diggers Memorial Bowls Club	Financial assistance towards the an upcoming one-day Bowls Carnival - men's, ladies and mixed competitions	\$500.00
QCWA Frenchville Branch	Financial Support for QLD health & wellbeing QCWA Country Kitchen Program Activities	\$500.00
Rockhampton Horticultural Society	Financial support towards prize money for the 2026 Agricultural Show plant and flower show hosted by the Rockhampton Horticulture Society	\$500.00
Rockhampton Mountain Bike Club Inc	Financial support towards bike repair stands for First Turkey Mountain Bike Reserve	\$500.00
Total:		\$2,000.00

Councillor Grant Mathers

Organisation	Purpose of Donation	Amount
ChaplainWatch Inc	Financial support towards Rockhampton Night 4 NightWatch fundraising event - 14 October 2024	\$1,000.00
Total:		\$1,000.00

Councillor Edward Oram

Organisation	Purpose of Donation	Amount
Mount Morgan Agricultural Show Society Inc	Annual sponsorship of Lucky Exhibitor prizes at Mount Morgan Show	\$300.00
Bouldercombe Progress Association Inc	Community Christmas Fair annual ham wheel	\$500.00
Bouldercombe State School P&C Association	Financial assistance towards essential safety equipment to use during school-wide events	\$500.00
Gracemere Progress Association	Financial assistance towards Gracemere Halloween Event	\$900.00
The Salvation Army - Kabra	Financial support towards the community Christmas carols at Kabra	\$400.00
Total:		\$2,600.00

Councillor Cherie Rutherford

Organisation

Purpose of Donation

Amount

Councillor Drew Wickerson

Organisation	Purpose of Donation	Amount
Multicultural Australia	Provision of lunch for the 2025 Hands of Support (Homeless Connect) event for approx. 300 people	\$800.00
Rockhampton Golf Club	Financial assistance for the 2025 Rockhampton Golf Club's ladies closed open championship	\$500.00
St Vincent de Paul	Financial assistance for the 2025 Hands of Support Event - joint donation between Foodbank and St Vincent de Paul to provide food donations	\$120.00
Lively Knitters	Financial assistance to purchase wool, material and labels for items made for Hands of Support and other charitable organisations in Rockhampton	\$500.00
Rockhampton 60 & Better Program Inc	Financial Support for the Great Gatsby themed fancy dress ball to celebrate Seniors Month	\$500.00
Life Education Central Queensland	Financial support towards visits to Depot Hill State School and Park Avenue State School to deliver Healthy Harold educational program	\$500.00
Bajool School of Arts Hall Committee	Support for the 110 Year Bajool School of Arts Hall celebration	\$700.00
Total:		\$3,620.00

Councillor Marika Taylor

Organisation	Purpose of Donation	Amount
Central QLD Family History Assoc	Financial support for software licences for genealogy research for the benefit of members and community visitors	\$475.00
Southern Suburbs Hockey Club	Financial assistance for the Southern Suburbs Hockey Club 60 Year Anniversary event on Saturday, 20 September 2025.	\$250.00
Life Education Central Queensland	Financial support towards visits to Depot Hill State School and Park Avenue State School to deliver Healthy Harold educational program	\$500.00
Total:		\$1,225.00

Councillor Discretionary Fund Balances

Year to Date for Period - 2025/2026

<i>Division</i>	<i>Councillor</i>	<i>Amount Spent</i>	<i>Balance Remaining</i>
Mayor	Tony Williams	\$800.00	\$4,200.00
Division 1	Cr Shane Latcham	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00
Division 2	Cr Elliot Hilse	\$2,000.00	\$3,000.00
Division 3	Cr Grant Mathers	\$1,000.00	\$4,000.00
Division 4	Cr Edward Oram	\$2,600.00	\$2,400.00
Division 5	Cr Cherie Rutherford	\$0.00	\$5,000.00
Division 6	Cr Drew Wickerson	\$3,620.00	\$1,380.00
Division 7	Cr Marika Taylor	\$1,225.00	\$3,775.00

Totals include all requests submitted and approved by 31 October 2025