

Councillor Discretionary Funds –2024/2025 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 2024/2025 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 2025.

Mayor Tony Williams

Organisation	Purpose of Donation	Amount
QLD Blue Light Association Incorporated	Donation to go towards children's activities and events in conjunction with QLD police and civilian volunteers.	\$100.00
Mount Morgan Promotion and Development	Donation to towards artists fees for creative arts workshops in conjunction with Wattle Day Festival	\$371.00
North Rockhampton Senior Citizens Club	Donation towards Seniors Month Events	\$250.00
Meals on Wheels Rockhampton	Donation towards Meals on Wheels Rockhampton Volunteer Christmas Party	\$500.00
Capricornia Training Company Limited	Community Christmas Lunch (Free to community members, elderly, disadvantaged, homeless and those alone on Christmas day)	\$500.00
Hands of Compassion World Aid Inc T/A Rockhampton Food Bank	Help people in need - food hampers	\$900.00
Rockhampton & District Indoor Bowling Association	Prize money for the Friendlies Bowls weekend	\$300.00
Rod Laver Community Tennis Club	To assist with the purchase of a storage unit and storage equipment	\$500.00
Fitzroy River Fish Association	To help our association offer recognition to sponsors we would like to erect signage at Rockhampton boat ramps to show the work our association does	\$579.00
Salvation Army	Donation towards the Red Shield Appeal	\$1,000.00
Total:		\$5,000.00

Councillor Shane Latcham

Organisation	Purpose of Donation	Amount
Crime Stoppers QLD Rockhampton Area Committee	Promoting their contact number 1800 333 000 in the area for crime prevention and education	\$1,000.00
Parkhurst State School P&C Association	Financial assistance to help reduce costs for prep and Grade 1 students to attend a school excursion	\$1,000.00
NHW North Rockhampton #4	To support a free community sausage sizzle to celebrate its foundation 30 years ago	\$500.00
Meals on Wheels	Donation towards fuel vouchers for Meals on Wheels Volunteers	\$1,000.00
North Rockhampton Senior Citizens Club	Donation towards Seniors Month Events	\$250.00
North Rockhampton Senior Citizens Club Inc	Seniors month events	\$250.00
Rockhampton Horse Riding for the Disabled Association Inc	Financial assistance for new signage	\$200.00
The Rockhampton Men's Shed	To assist with the purchase of a ryobi battery charger and 6x 5.0AH batteries.	\$550.00
CQ Prostate Support and Awareness Group	To assist with purchase of education material	\$5,000
Total:		\$5,000.00

Councillor Elliot Hilse

Organisation	Purpose of Donation	Amount
Diggers Memorial Bowls Club	Donation to support the Mens, ladies and mixed teams upcoming carnival	\$300.00
North Rockhampton Senior Citizens Club	Donation towards Seniors Month Events	\$250.00
Rockhampton Horticulture Society	Donation towards Annual Show to be held in June 2025 - prize money	\$500.00
Rockhampton Women's Shelter Inc	Support women and children who have experienced domestic and family violence	\$250.00
Rockhampton North Special School P&C	To assist with the purchase of trampolines to support children physical activity	\$500.00
QCWA Frenchville Branch	Financial assistance for printing flyers and ingredients for Country Kitchens Workshops in the community	\$500.00
Total:		\$2,300.00

Councillor Grant Mathers

Organisation	Purpose of Donation	Amount
North Rockhampton Senior Citizens Club	Donation towards Seniors Month Events	\$250.00
Berserker Street State School P & C	Donation towards the lighting towers for the better and brighter carnival	\$827.44
Capricorn Animal Aid	Assistance with venue hire for annual Cent Sale fundraiser	\$500.00
Total:		\$1,577.44

Councillor Edward Oram

Organisation	Purpose of Donation	Amount
Gracemere Netball Club	Donation towards hall hire fees for a fundraising trivia event	\$250.00
Gracemere Little Athletics	Donation to replace the starting pistol and first aid kit	\$400.00
Waraburra State School P&C	Donations toward a Community Fair	\$1,000.00
Bouldy Buddy's Playgroup	Donation towards new equipment and donation towards the end of year celebration	\$500.00
Gracemere Progress Association Inc	Donation towards hall hire fees for a general meeting	\$600.00
Bouldercombe Progress Association Inc	Donation towards the Bouldercombe Community Christmas Fair	\$500.00
Gracemere Lake Golf Club Golf Club	To purchase herbicide to kill various weeds that are growing throughout the greens	\$400.00
Gracemere Bowls Club	Support for running the Ladies Open Fours Carnival on 15 March 2025	\$400.00
Guides Queensland - Gracemere District	Support for running the 'Come N Try' day sausage sizzle on 15 March 2025	\$200.00
Total:		\$4,250.00

Councillor Cherie Rutherford

Organisation	Purpose of Donation	Amount
Mount Morgan Promotion & Development	Donation to towards artists fees for creative arts workshops in conjunction with Wattle Day Festival	\$500.00
North Rockhampton Senior Citizens Club	Donation towards Seniors Month Events	\$250.00
Stanwell Progress Association	To assist with purchase of equipment for Stanwell Progress Association	\$1,000.00
Mount Morgan Agricultural Show Society Inc	Sponsorship to help with Show costs	\$200.00
Capricorn Animal Aid	To assist with chair hire for the annual Cent Sale on Sunday 18 May 2025	\$500.00
Total:		\$2,450.00

Councillor Drew Wickerson

Organisation	Purpose of Donation	Amount
Crescent Lagoon P&C Association	Donation to support a trivia night to support a year 6 camp	\$500.00
Marmor SS P&C	Donation towards a tablet device for running the breakfast club program for ordering food and maintaining stock, schedules and volunteer sign in	\$450.00
QLD Police - PCYC Rockhampton	Donation towards Project Booyah a youth mentoring program	\$1,000.00
Salvation Army	Salvation Army Red Shield Appeal fundraising	\$1,000.00
Mount Morgan Promotion and Development	Donation to towards artists fees for creative arts workshops in conjunction with Wattle Day Festival	\$500.00
North Rockhampton Senior Citizens Club	Donation towards Seniors Month Events	\$250.00
CQ Fair Day	Donation towards free sundaes to children at the CQ Fair Day	\$250.00
Southside Lively Knitters	Assistance with purchasing wool and materials to knit clothes for the homeless, foster system and RFDS	\$500.00
Port Curtis Road state School P&C	Port Curtis Road State School - 150 years celebration	\$500.00
Compass House Pty Ltd	Financial assistance to build a community vegetable garden, composting and chicken coup for education about sustainability	\$550.00
Total:		\$5,000.00

Councillor Marika Taylor

Organisation	Purpose of Donation	Amount
Oaktree Retirement Village	Donation towards amenities for the Seniors Event	\$500.00
Walk 'n' Talk Collective Inc	Donation towards providing free community events with the aim of reducing isolation for men who need support.	\$500.00
Central Queensland Family History Assoc Inc	Donation towards installation of new shelving	\$500.00
Glenmore Bulls AFC	Purchase of field marking paint to paint the Aboriginal and Torres Strait's Islands flags on the field for Indigenous Round	\$500.00
Rod Laver Community Tennis Club	To assist with purchase of equipment to be used for maintenance	\$648.00
Total:		\$2,648.00

Councillor Discretionary Fund Balances

Year to Date for Period - 2024/2025

<i>Division</i>	<i>Councillor</i>	<i>Amount Spent</i>	<i>Balance Remaining</i>
Mayor	Tony Williams	\$5,000.00	\$0.00
Division 1	Cr Shane Latcham	\$5,000.00	\$0.00
Division 2	Cr Elliot Hilse	\$2,300.00	\$2,700.00
Division 3	Cr Grant Mathers	\$1,577.44	\$3,422.56
Division 4	Cr Edward Oram	\$4,250.00	\$750.00
Division 5	Cr Cherie Rutherford	\$2,450.00	\$2,550.00
Division 6	Cr Drew Wickerson	\$5,000.00	\$0.00
Division 7	Cr Marika Taylor	\$2,648.00	\$2,352.00

Totals include all requests submitted and approved by 7 May 2025