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ANZ Community Foundation 2025 grant applications now open

ANZ is welcoming applications for its Community Foundation program, with charities and philanthropic organisations around Australia invited to apply for grants up to \$30,000.

The ANZ Community Foundation grants, funded by donations from ANZ and its staff, aim to provide direct and tangible benefit to small and medium-sized projects that focus on advancing financial wellbeing, housing, environmental sustainability and additional initiatives that help Australian communities to thrive.

In 2024, the ANZ Community Foundation proudly supported 27 projects with grants totalling over \$440,000, the highest number of grants and funds distributed since the Community Foundation was established in 1988.

This year, grants will be given to organisations which help their communities in the following areas:

- Financial wellbeing, particularly for under-represented and disadvantaged people in the community, including initiatives that improve economic participation; build financial literacy and vocational skills; and provide access to meaningful work.
- Environmental sustainability, through initiatives that restore and conserve the natural environment, or which contribute to water stewardship, lower carbon emissions and waste minimisation.
- Housing access, through initiatives and programs that support those who are experiencing or are at risk
 of homelessness, or that provide support for people living with disability.
- Other community projects that assist local communities to thrive.

Chair of the ANZ Community Foundation, Christine Linden said: "The ANZ Community Foundation is built on the dedication of our ANZ staff, supporters and local communities. Each year, we partner with inspiring organisations and charities to support projects across the country that align with our core values.

"Last year marked a significant milestone for the ANZ Community Foundation, as we recorded the highest number of grants and funds distributed since inception. Together, we can continue to make a profound impact by supporting small, impactful charities and organisations driving sustainable change for people and their communities."

The Community Foundation is a charitable trust funded by ANZ and its employees, with every dollar contributed through the Workplace Giving program matched by the bank with an additional two dollars.

Applications are open from 11 March until 5pm AEST on 8 April 2025.

To find out more or to make an application please visit Equity Trustees.

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