



Gladstone Regional Council - Sport and Recreation Newsletter

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The importance of acquitting funds

One of the most important aspects of receiving funds is the acquittal process. No matter how big or small the grant is, organisations must accurately record details of the project and provide documentation on how the grant money has been spent.

If you do not satisfactorily acquit your grant there is a high probability that you will not be eligible to apply for further funding. Action by the grant provider may also be taken to recover the grant funds.

Many grant providers offer templates to use while acquitting funds. These may be in the form of progress reports and final acquittal stages. The details and length of acquittals will vary depending upon the amount of funds received. A grant of \$5000 will have a basic acquittal process whereas a \$100,000 grant will require progress reports, milestones and detailed documentation. Always contact your grant provider for further information.

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Female Facilities Grant Program

The **Female Facilities Program** is one of the funding programs that comprise the QLD Government's *Get in the Game* initiative to support sport and active recreation at the grassroots level.

The **Female Facilities Program** aims to assist sport and recreation organisations and local governments to develop functional and inclusive female change rooms and amenities that meet the current and future needs of sport and recreation participants.



What funding is available? Eligible organisations can apply for funding up to \$500,000. Where the total project cost is \$200,000 (ex GST) or more, a quantity surveyor's estimate must be included in the application. Additionally, projects of this value will be required to undertake a public tender process or Local Buy supply arrangements, if approved.

What projects are eligible? Projects must be a new or upgraded facility development that clearly supports female participation in sport and active recreation to be eligible.

Eligible project components could include:

- Change room facilities and amenities for female participants and/or officials
- Safety requirements to support facility access and use by females
- Parents' room

Facilities should incorporate the following design principles:

- Purpose-built
- Multi- and shared use
- Compatibility
- Universal design
- Public safety
- Health and safety
- Functionality

For further information on the funding program, contact your local Sport & Recreation Services advisory on 1300 656 191 or visit the Sport & Recreation website <https://www.qld.gov.au/recreation/sports/funding/getinthegame>

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Gladstone Region Youth Council 2018 Nominations Opening in October

New Gladstone Region Youth Council members are soon being sought for 2018. Several positions will be available for residents aged 15 to 24 as part of the annual Youth Council recruitment process.

The Gladstone Region Youth Council acts as a formal advisory committee to Council on youth related matters within the region. Members have the opportunity to have a say within their community and provide valuable input from the perspective of youth. For more information, contact Youth Development Officer Vernetta Perrett on 4976 6300.

Remember.....Don't practice until you get it right. Practice until you can't get it wrong.