

Funding Application Community Grants 2026

The Community Grant Fund supports local groups and organisations working to make a positive difference in our district. If your project aligns with Council's Community Outcomes and benefits the community, we encourage you to apply. This funding helps bring great ideas to life and supports initiatives that make our district a better place to live, work and play.

Important information

One funding round only each year

This current round is open from 1 July to 30 October 2026

Total available funding is \$70,947.48

Organisation details – Please complete all fields

Name of your organisation*	
Legal status of organisation	
Postal address *	
Postcode *	Email *

Contact details

Name	Position in organisation	Daytime phone
Main contact:		
Secondary contact:		

About your organisation

What are your organisation's main objectives?

Funding request

What are you seeking funding for?

(If attaching a project outline you still need a brief summary here)

How will it benefit the community or participants?

(Explain the positive changes your project will create for the people involved or the wider community)

Are there any key partners involved in your project?

Project reach

How many people will it benefit?

(Provide a number or estimate of participants, audiences, clients or others who will benefit. Avoid using words like 'many' or 'few').

Project start date:

Project end date:

Which Buller District Community Outcomes does your project support?



Social

Our communities are vibrant, healthy, safe and inclusive.



Affordability

Our communities are supported by quality infrastructure, facilities, and services.



Prosperity

Our district has an innovative and diverse economy.



Culture

Our lifestyle, community spirit, heritage and learning are supported.



Environment

Our environment and natural resources are healthy and valued.

Measuring impact

Briefly state how you will measure success for the outcomes ticked above:

(e.g. number of people attending, survey feedback, social media reach)

If funding is declined, how would this impact the project?

- ☐ Project will not go ahead
- ☐ Project will be downscaled
- ☐ Will seek other funds

- ☐ Will use own funds
- ☐ Will postpone
- ☐ Other (please specify)

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Budget

List all expenses for your project, including materials, venue hire, promotion, equipment, fees, running costs and wages: (All amounts must be GST-inclusive. You can use the Community Grants Budget Template and attach it as a PDF with your application)

Supplier	Line item	Cost
Total costs		\$

List all contributions towards this project:

(This includes your own funds, fundraising income, other grants, ticket sales, sponsorships, donations or sales (e.g. artwork))

Contributor	Description	Value
Total contributions		\$
Costs less contributions		\$
Amount you are requesting from this Community Grant		\$

If you have funds in your accounts, explain why these cannot be used for this project:

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Previous funding

Have you received Council Community Grant Funding before? Yes / No

If yes, please complete, only the last round of funding required:

Year	Project	Amount (\$)	Accountability submitted? (Y/N)

Other Council support

Has/will your organisation receive any funding or support from Council this financial year? Yes / No

If yes, please specify (e.g. LTP/Annual Plan funding, use of Council facilities, admin support, materials, running costs, hire, fees, promotion or staff support):

Declarations

- ☐ I declare the information provided is true and correct
- ☐ I agree to submit an accountability report
- ☐ I consent to Buller District Council using the contact details provided

Main contact name	Signature
Secondary contact name	Signature

Checklist - Have you:

- ☐ Read the information sheet
- ☐ Completed all sections
- ☐ Attached two letters of support (dated within 6 months)
- ☐ Attached latest annual accounts. If unavailable, provide a statement of income and expenditure for the past 12 months. If neither is available, explain why and attach your latest bank statement(s).

Submit your completed application by 30 October 2026 to:
grants@bdc.govt.nz or Buller District Council, PO Box 21, Westport 7866

This application will be publicly available as part of the meeting agenda. For more information on how we handle your personal information, visit www.bullerdc.govt.nz/privacy or contact Council for a copy of our Privacy Statement.