



Community Development Fund Grant Recipients 2021-2022

Organisation Name	Boronia Soccer Club
Project Title	Junior portable soccer goals
Aim of project	Purchase a 2nd portable aluminium soccer goal suitable for Under 8' & U 9 players (goal sizes change for different age groups). Purchase of a proper set of goals will assist in player development & retention & also present safer equipment for use of both players & volunteers (coachs & parents).

Organisation Name	Bridges Connecting Communities
Project Title	Digital Literacy Champion
Aim of project	Extend the Digital Literacy Program supported by the Knox COVID19 Supporting Local Service Fund to 31 August 2021. The focus is on group training sessions and having capacity to reach more seniors in Knox who are digitally disengaged.

Organisation Name	Templeton Tennis Club
Project Title	Grooming equipment and windbreaks for courts 7 & 8
Aim of project	To maintain through regular grooming the 8 new courts provided by Council and provide windbreaks around all 3 sides of courts 7 & 8 which are more out in the open than the balance of the courts

Organisation Name	Boronia Hawks Football Netball Club Inc
Project Title	Kitchen upgrade for Tormore Reserve Facility
Aim of project	Update to energy efficient equipment to reduce costs and increase capacity and safety for volunteers. Money raised through the canteen/kitchen is vital to support to inclusive programs that increase sports participation.

Organisation Name	Upper Ferntree Gully Football Club
Project Title	1.Goal Post Pad Replacement 2.Junior Club BBQ Area
Aim of project	1. Goal Post Pads for the 3 ovals used by junior & senior clubs over the Saturday and Sunday matches. 2. New BBQ area for Auskick & Junior Club Game Day - Marquees to cover new area designated for BBQ.

Organisation Name	SLAMS Music Theatre Company
Project Title	Procurement of Audio Equipment
Aim of project	Purchase of 6 Handheld microphones, 4 Foldback Speakers and various Orchestra Microphones as an overall suite of audio equipment for ongoing use in productions. Ownership of this audio equipment will enable us to continue to deliver productions to the standard that our patrons know us well for and serve as a valuable extra resource for use by the broader Knox community (when not required for SLAMS productions).

Organisation Name	Rotary Club of Bayswater Inc.
Project Title	The 48th Annual Knox Art Exhibition
Aim of project	Provide local artists and photographers the opportunity to display and sell their original work at an established and well known exhibition. Highlighting the artwork and photography of schoolchildren from local schools in the Knox municipality in a separate themed exhibition. Provide Knox residents with opportunity to view a quality exhibition and support the artists and photographers by purchasing artwork or photograph on display.

Organisation Name	Eastern Domestic Violence Service
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Project Title	Level Playgroup for Multicultural Families
Aim of project	EDVOS, in partnership with Migrant Information Centre (MIC) will deliver weekly semi-structured playgroup sessions that focus on the importance of promoting gender equality and respectful relationships for newly emerging refugee and migrant families with children aged 0-6 years old residing in the City of Knox. These playgroup sessions will also provide a touchpoint to educate families about family violence supports and services that are provided by EDVOS and how to safely access them.

Organisation Name	Melbourne Zomi Community Incorporated
Project Title	Khuado - year end Harvest Festival
Aim of project	Holding a sports tournament to increase social connectedness within the Zomi community in Victoria; promote Zomi culture and traditions in the wider community; and provide an opportunity for individuals and groups to perform traditional songs and dance to promote Zomi arts and culture.

Organisation Name	Knox Community Playgroups Inc
Project Title	Playgroup Support Officer Pilot
Aim of project	Since the Community Playgroup Auspice model was implemented we have experienced rapid growth and demand. It is a good model and allows volunteers at each site to focus on building community connections, get to know each other better, and do what Community Playgroup is all about. Play! Build capacity and sustainability of Community Playgroup Auspice model.

Organisation Name	Lions club of Rowville
Project Title	Buying new equipment

Aim of project	Knox festival and Rowville Stringybark festival is our community event and we have been actively involve with our community throughout those festivals selling snow cones. We need to upgrade the equipment.
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Organisation Name	Orana Neighbourhood House
Project Title	Festival of Food
Aim of project	The Knox Learning Alliance will promote community connections through a series of 5 multicultural food events to be held throughout 2022. Each Knox Community House will host a separate multicultural themed food event which will include a cultural cooking demonstration and tastings, some cultural entertainment and/or guest speaker. Low cost, accessible events for all community members, entertaining and engaging as well promoting multicultural community groups in Knox. Community connection promotes social inclusion, better mental health and lifelong learning.

Organisation Name	Rowville Men's Shed Inc
Project Title	New computer, printer & software
Aim of project	The ability to include additional machine operations such as Computer Design and manufacturing processes and upgrade outdated existing spread sheet programs.

Organisation Name	The Basin Music Festival Association Incorporated
Project Title	The Basin Music Festival
Aim of project	Stage the delayed 2021 Festival and return to our annual festival program in 2022 to reinvigorate live music and economic development in The Basin, surround communities and local businesses. These festivals provide an outlet for

	<p>musicians who otherwise would not have opportunity to perform and:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • continue providing unique music events for the local community. • encourage community participation in the arts. • provide local, emerging musicians to develop and display their talents.
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Organisation Name	Knox Chinese Elderly Citizens Club
Project Title	Active Healthy Ageing & Living
Aim of project	Provide adequate facilities for weekly table tennis, badminton and karaoke to improve social interaction at the club & through social media platforms. Encourage and educate literacy. Celebrating members birthdays, Chinese cultural festivities and promoting alert & healthy minds & bodies.

Organisation Name	Hindi Niketan Inc
Project Title	Festival of Colors - Holi
Aim of project	One of the most festive, joyous festivals of the Hindu calendar, Holi is celebrated on the full moon day in the month of Phalgun. The festival is marked by great revelry during which everyone paints each other with brightly coloured dry powders. Hindi Niketan is planning to celebrate the Holi festival to get the Australian people of Indian origin and Australians of other backgrounds to celebrate this joyous festival together and enhance social harmony in the multicultural Australian society.

Organisation Name	Relationships Australia Victoria
Project Title	You Are Not Alone
Aim of project	The objective of the program is to help women affected by Family Violence to:- Develop or build on strategies for building resilience, explore ways to rebuild or establish trust within the family, understanding Family Violence and the impact on women and their children, assist in building skills to create or re-

	establish appropriate parent/child relationships and in managing and supporting children's behaviours and emotions and moving forward with a positive and strength-based approach
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Organisation Name	Knox City Football Club
Project Title	Every Little Helps
Aim of project	We want to help our volunteers and members by purchasing some items that have been identified to help the club. Items that will make our job easier and/or provide assistance to parents.

Organisation Name	Zonta International Melbourne East
Project Title	Buy a Gazebo, 2 banners and 8 orange lady statues
Aim of project	Zonta Melbourne East wants to increase our membership and awareness of Domestic Violence and equality for women. We need to improve our promotional ability by being a voice in the community that brings good to women and girls. We would like to buy a Gazebo that says who we are that we can use in the community at sporting events and at farmer's markets within the Knox council. We would also like to purchase the statues of Orange ladies which is a symbol of a better future for women and girls.

Organisation Name	Foothills Community Care Inc.
Project Title	Foothills Community Casseroles
Aim of project	To provide nutritious, home cooked meals and care packages delivered to locals in need of an extra hand up in the Knox area through our Community Casseroles program. Community Casseroles home delivers meals to those in our community having a hard time. There is no qualification to access Community Casseroles, if you need a meal we will be there, with a week's worth of dinners and a shared understanding that everyone has hard times and we all deserve kindness and dignity.

Organisation Name	Fab Nobs Theatre
Project Title	Keyboards, Speaker Accessories & Vacuum
Aim of project	Our current venue keyboard has stopped working. With a new keyboard, our accompanist will be able to more effectively support our casts, workshop participants or auditionees. With lightweight portability, but a substantial sound quality and amplification, we could also use this keyboard for outdoor performances and rehearsals. Most of our productions are also accompanied by a band which always includes a keyboard/work station. With the addition of a 2nd subwoofer, cables and cable stagebox, we would complete our new Front of House Speaker system. Owning an industrial vacuum would be a more efficient, long-term solution for our theatre which is a converted factory with multiple rooms, levels, concrete and carpet floors.

Organisation Name	Wantirna South Football Club
Project Title	Upgrade of Cooling Systems & Internal Lighting
Aim of project	The current evaporative cooling system is approx. 20 years old and is not energy efficient or able to produce the desired impact resulting in additional air con units being utilised as well, increasing the power usage and costs of operation for the clubs. In addition, there is internal lighting that uses fluorescent tubes, replacement with more energy efficient LED's would be of greater benefit to environment and cost of operation. The replacement of these units is of benefit all year round to both the football and cricket club as tenants and all members and supporters.

Organisation Name	The Haven Day Centre
Project Title	Client/Carer Outings
Aim of project	Our program for social inclusion was limited to non face to face support for our clients and carers. They continually asked when we could resume and get our groups back together. Carers yearned for respite and their options were limited. We want to have our clients and carers excited by the thought of a day trip with us for their pleasure and to help them feel a part of a wider community and important members of the public, improving self-esteem and confidence whilst socially engaging with others, making new friends and feeling supported.

Organisation Name	Heany Park Scout Group
Project Title	Heater for scout hall
Aim of project	The aim of the project is to heat our scout hall, providing a basic level of essential amenities to our Scout group.

Organisation Name	Different Journeys
Project Title	Autism Family Swim Nights Inclusion & Connection ²
Aim of project	<p>We will redress the disruptive impacts of COVID which required us to stop/start the program and focus on consolidating our successful model and establishing long-term financial sustainability.</p> <p>We will increase volunteer/employment opportunities for people with autism and their families / carers to foster connections and strengthen peer relationships between autistics, their carers/families and broader community members. We will deliver a series of six swim nights which will be hosted by autistics and their families/carers to build their skills in event management, peer support, exercise, administration, multimedia, social media, public speaking, food handling and hosting events.</p>

	We will create pathways to transition participants from enjoying a protected recreational experience (closed pool) to more independently accessing to mainstream local community and recreation services.
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Organisation Name	Liberty Avenue 3 year old kindergarten and on behalf of Liberty Avenue Playgroup
Project Title	The Cosy Cubby Project- Two groups, one home.
Aim of project	To replace the existing cubby house with an open, naturalistic and engaging space in which children of all ages can use their imaginations and creativity to explore nature and imaginative play. We hope that children will be encouraged to play with their friends as they explore concepts of sharing, communication and role play. We also feel that this structure will tie in well with our existing play space. In recent years we have made a big effort to re-invent our outdoor and indoor play spaces to make them more naturalistic and environmentally appealing.

Organisation Name	Interchange Outer East
Project Title	Better Together Conference
Aim of project	We will bring together the IOE and wider communities for a day of engagement, education, conversation and inspiration to highlight and celebrate the importance of connection and community through adversity. We will empower and build capacity of people with disability, parents and carers of young people with disability, as well as staff and volunteers of the community sector to support their own health and wellbeing, to cope with and embrace change, to understand the power of connection and to learn from each other's challenges and achievements.

Organisation Name	Tamminya House Op Shop
Project Title	Upgrading interior of Op Shop

Aim of project	The aim of the project is to make the op shop more inviting. A place of safety, comfort and calm for our customers and volunteers by upgrading the interior of the shop. We are an important part of the Knox community providing friendship and a safe haven for customers and volunteers who have no other social interaction other than coming to our shop.
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Organisation Name	Boronia Bowls Club
Project Title	Improved shelter
Aim of project	We wish to remove current small shade/protective covers with donated shelters that are much larger & provide enhanced protection from the elements eg sun, rain minimising health impacts such as skin cancer exposure, sun burn etc

Organisation Name	Knox & District Toy Library Inc.
Project Title	Inclusive Fun, Play & Learning
Aim of project	The Knox Toy Library wish to achieve better inclusion and engagement with children with a disability and their family through this project and are well placed to do so. The initiatives of this project will focus on, engaging with children with a disability and their family, ensuring access to the toy library (Through physical access to the building, sensory friendly adaptations and extended borrowing session hours), providing quality toys and resources to support with specific areas of learning and development (E.g. sensory toys, physical development toys and social and emotional resources) and for children with a disability and their family to feel welcome and included at the toy library.

Organisation Name	Coonara Community House
Project Title	Tight Knit Connections

Aim of project	Our Knitters group is no exception. Prior to Covid-19 our knitters club was a thriving group of 25 senior citizens who gathered at Coonara on a weekly basis. Each talented member enjoyed a routine of friendships, teamwork and an opportunity to make a difference. Working with our local Salvation Army our group took pride in knitting blankets, beanies and scarves for the less fortunate. Post Covid-19 we want to return the confidence we once had by hosting a one off special event day which includes an invitation to a morning tea, knitting workshops, relaxing hand scrub and an opportunity to show we care.
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Organisation Name	Eastern Area Multiple Birth Association (EAMBA)
Project Title	Knox Multiple Birth Association Playgroup Trial
Aim of project	The purpose of this project is to expand services, community participation and inclusion amongst multiple birth families (those with twins, triplets and more) in Knox Council area. By supporting playgroups, parent education, expectant parent sessions and social events for multiple birth families, the project will contribute to better outcomes for these vulnerable families who often struggle to access relevant programs in mainstream services.

Organisation Name	Knox Community Gardens Society Inc
Project Title	New Raised Plots and New Garden Plots
Aim of project	To provide new raised plots and new garden plots so more people have the opportunity to join our wonderful community and grow their own food. Following our successful 35th Birthday Open Day only months before Covid-19,

we now have an extensive plot waiting list. Most people currently on the waiting list would like a large plot. Raised plots (much smaller but with higher edges) are in demand from current members with failing physical health and new applicants with physical disabilities.

Organisation Name	Alchester Village Pre-School
Project Title	Outdoor PVC blinds for expansion of playspace
Aim of project	The project aims to increase the all-weather play space at the kindergarten. The play space offers our children great opportunities to learn through play and whilst Alchester Village Pre-School is fortunate to have a significant tree providing shelter to a large portion of the centre's outdoor play space during summer, the tree itself does severely limit the centre's options with regards to expansion of the play and learning resources due to the limitations regarding what can and cannot be done below the tree canopy (without having a negative impact on the tree's root system).

Organisation Name	Mountain District Learning Centre
Project Title	Supporting Gully News Volunteers
Aim of project	This project will acknowledge the significant contribution of volunteers who are involved in the production and distribution of Ferntree Gully News, will help them to celebrate their achievements and gain motivation and new skills and strategies and will support efficiency, helping to save their valuable time.

Organisation Name	Community Houses Association of the Outer Eastern Suburbs Inc
Project Title	Food with a Heart
Aim of project	To support people with a life limiting illness to remain at home. In response to COVID restrictions Be the Ripple moved to cooking and delivering meals. Cooking is carried out at the Basin CH, with the support of management, governance and volunteers. Initially a response to support people to receive nutritious and appealing food, without the risk of going shopping, the meals program offers so much more and has highlighted the need for social contact for many of the

participants. We wish to upscale what we have piloted. This will include increasing the number of meals and participants, sourcing food donations, increasing the social support component, more volunteers and volunteer roles.

Organisation Name	Knox Historical Society Inc.
Project Title	Conservation Workshop
Aim of project	KHS wishes to invite the public and KHS volunteers to engage in learning opportunities that encourage participants to value Knox Heritage. This event will cater for Goals 1, 5, 6, and 7 in the Knox Community & Council Plan. Residents and volunteers will come together in partnership to learn heritage conservation skills that will benefit residents' private historical collections and contribute to the preservation of Knox's collective heritage collection, of which KHS is custodian. This event will encourage community participation, support volunteer skills, encourage the development of lifelong learning, and allow the community to further a positive sense of place within Knox.

Organisation Name	Community of Benedikt Reserve Incorporate Association
Project Title	Mural for Benedikt Reserve Pavilion
Aim of project	This project and mural proposal aim is to highlight the immediate area, to create a community link, to involve the community in rejuvenating and showcasing the areas' native wildlife, flora and local history. We want the students to be proud and take ownership of their work this gives them a sense of place and pride allowing them to showcase their work to the community, friends and family.

Organisation Name	Knox Environment Society
Project Title	Volunteer Hub
Aim of project	To provide a spacious, comfortable and well-appointed area for our volunteers that is removed from our work space. This enable volunteers to relax and socialise whilst having tea, coffee and food. It will also operate as another venue for us to hold talks, events and meetings that are a vital part of our committee based, community focused organisation.

Organisation Name	Belgravia Foundation
Project Title	All In Swim Program
Aim of project	In partnership with Knox Leisureworks, the 'All In!' program has identified a gap in swimming lessons for those in the Culturally and Linguistically Diverse (CALD) communities and those who identify as having a disability (PWD). Swim teachers have provided feedback to the Belgravia Foundation (BF) regarding their confidence, skills and capacity in teaching CALD and PWD groups, asking for more training and resources and support.

Organisation Name	Knox Infolink
Project Title	Stage 2 - COVID 2IC Caseworker/Volunteer Support
Aim of project	The Aim of the project/role is to focus on attracting new volunteers, training, supporting and mentoring them to cover the gaps created by the uncertainty of COVID which reduced our volunteer team by 80% in 2020. The uncertainty has meant that many of our volunteers have still not returned and some that did have resigned formally because the client work is so much more complex and the data reporting far more detailed, it is no longer an appealing role for them.

Organisation Name	Ferntree Gully Tennis Club
Project Title	All Abilities Tennis Program
Aim of project	Establishment of an all abilities tennis program for the Knox community at Ferntree Gully Tennis Club. Grow the participation of all abilities tennis at FTGTC. Ensure the financial viability of the program. Ensure the program participants can integrate into "club life".

Organisation Name	Country Fire Authority CFA Bayswater
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Project Title	Bayswater CFA Conference Room System
Aim of project	We wish to further unite our brigade by encouraging members who may be away from the station to participate in vital training sessions and meetings. This allows us the opportunity for flexible volunteering and can ensure all members remain involved and informed.

Organisation Name	Coonara Community House
Project Title	Social connect
Aim of project	Using the findings of the Living our best life project (social prescribing trial) we will deliver a targeted program to increase the social participation of people aged 50 and over in the Knox community. The aim of this project is to complement existing programs and activities for seniors by filling service gaps identified by the Living our Best life project. The program we develop will provide a pathway into other community activities for those who lack the confidence or ability to engage socially without initial support.

Organisation Name	Glengollan Village
Project Title	Let's Get Connected
Aim of project	To set up 2 technology stations at each of our 2 club rooms 131 Forest Road and also Hutton Avenue that will provide the residents stimulation, confidence, reconnecting with the community closing the generation gap especially with families supporting and assisting in their learning

Organisation Name	Jesuit Social Services
Project Title	This is Christmas! Workshop & community event

Aim of project	To develop community leadership skills and celebrate the talents of youth with an intellectual disability in a collaborative delivery process. The project is designed to give some of the most marginalised in the community a sense of agency, a sense of pride and an opportunity for positive, celebratory engagement with their own families and community and the larger community.
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Organisation Name	Bipolar Life Victoria Inc.
Project Title	Bipolar Education and Support
Aim of project	Our project is focused on providing support and self-help services to the bipolar community. We have operated a bipolar support group at Aimee Seeback hall in Knox for the past 6 years and intend to continue with its continued success. We intend to conduct a 5 session bipolar workshop where participants will be educated about bipolar and self-help techniques.

Organisation Name	Hungarian Community Co-Op Association Ltd
Project Title	Refurbishment at the Hungarian Community Centre
Aim of project	At present the Community Centre has 20-year-old very battered tables, that are very heavy and difficult to use, particularly for the elderly people. The iron frame is very uncomfortable to sit around. Because of this, members refrain from coming to a lot of the events. We would like to change them to lighter better design and user friendly, easier to handle tables.

Organisation Name	Ferntree Gully Village Traders Association Inc.
Project Title	Ferntree Gully Village Food Trail

Aim of project

To bring the people of Ferntree Gully and surrounding areas into the FTG Village precinct to encourage patronage and engagement and to bring family and friends to support the businesses. The Food Trail, piloted in 2021, will help to boost the profile of FTG businesses and foster improved participation in the Traders Association which is helping to strengthen the vibrancy and economic prosperity of the Village trading centre.