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COMMUNITY ACTION GRANTS TO REDUCE CLIMATE CHANGE IMPACTS

The NSW Government is calling for community groups across the State to apply for funding for projects that reduce the impacts of climate change in their local communities.

Environment Minister Matt Kean said the NSW Government has committed \$600,000 to the Increasing Resilience to Climate Change (IRCC) community grants program.

“These grants will help local communities plan, coordinate and take action to increase their resilience and adapt,” Mr Kean said.

“The grants are funded through the Climate Change Fund which enables the NSW Government to better support the community in its response to the effects of climate change.

“The IRCC grants will help our communities take practical steps to reduce climate change impacts such as heatwaves, bushfires or floods.”

The grants will also foster partnerships between community groups including not for profits and Indigenous groups that will provide lessons on best practice approaches to community adaptation.

“IRCC grant funding has already benefited Western Sydney Regional Organisation of Councils for a cool suburbs rating tool and Bega Valley Shire Council to upgrade community halls to be more climate-resilient during extreme heat events,” Mr Kean said.

Community groups are able to partner with local councils in their applications for funding under the IRCC.

Round 1 will be open until 31 January 2022 for community groups to apply for grants between \$10,000 and \$30,000.

For more info: <https://climatechange.environment.nsw.gov.au/adapting-to-climate-change/community-grants>

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