



## Community Sustainability Grant

Do you have a Sustainability project that needs funding? Apply for a Community Sustainability Grant in any of the following areas:



**Saving energy** – reducing energy consumption from mains power (i.e. energy efficiency upgrades and renewable energy installation).



**Saving water** – reducing water consumption from potable water supply (i.e. water efficiency upgrades and local storage).



**Reducing waste** – reducing waste going to landfill (i.e. increasing recycling, on-site waste treatment).



**Active travel** – reducing fossil fuels associated with transport (i.e. end of trip facilities, bike storage, education).



**Sustainable food production** – reducing food miles and producing local sustainably grown food (i.e. community gardens, local food education).



**Biodiversity improvements** – improving local habitat and flora and fauna biodiversity (i.e. tree planting, soil/erosion control).



**Cultivating Community** – initiatives that build capacity and promote best practice in sustainability (ie: events, consultant services, training and skill development.)



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### What is the Community Sustainability Grant?

It's a grant program that provides funding for not-for-profit community groups and organisations to bring community sustainability projects to life.

### How much funding is available?

There is a total pool of \$20,000 available. Grant amounts range from \$500- \$5,000 depending on the projects size and merit.

### Who can apply?

Any not-for-profit community group or organisation in the Cairns local government area.

### APPLY NOW

For more information email: [sustainability@cairns.qld.gov.au](mailto:sustainability@cairns.qld.gov.au) or phone Council on: 4044 3044  
To download an application form visit: [www.cairns.qld.gov.au/sustainability](http://www.cairns.qld.gov.au/sustainability)

## Example of projects funded

### Permaculture Cairns \$5,000

Permaculture Cairns successfully applied for \$5,000 to deliver a series of workshops on a range of community resilience and self-sufficiency topics. This included: growing tropical foods, drying and preserving excess produce, preparing and cooking tropical produce, keeping chooks, micro-greens (sprouts) and household composting techniques.

The funding was used to develop workshop content and subsidise attendance fees.

Over 230 people attended in total and participant feedback was overwhelmingly positive, particularly around the hands-on nature of the workshops and the focus on everyday skills for on-site food production and waste management.

- Sustainable food production
- Education
- Community resilience
- Contribute to sustainability of region



Tropical Food Workshop

### Australian Quoll Conservancy (AQC) \$2,600

The AQC were successful in being awarded funding for the purchase of motion sensor cameras to undertake remote area surveys of the endangered Spotted Tailed Quoll.

Eight locations were surveyed to determine the Spotted Tail Quoll's population and distribution in the Cairns Regional Council area. With the last survey being 15 years prior, the project effectively gathered and communicated information on the species and other wildlife to the community.

- Contributes to biodiversity conservation of the region
- Education



Spotted Tail Quoll (*Dasyuris Maculatis Gracilis*)



Motion sensor camera