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## **\$18.6 MILLION BOOST FOR COMMUNITY PROJECTS**

Communities across the state are in line for better facilities and infrastructure with the popular Community Building Partnership Program getting an additional \$18.6 million injection over two years in the 2021-22 NSW Budget.

Treasurer Dominic Perrottet said the funding for the program would increase from \$300,000 to \$400,000 per year for each electorate for the next two years, representing a total of \$37.2 million each year.

“This Budget locks in our strong recovery and this funding boost is about building up our communities and supporting them with facilities and infrastructure they can enjoy in the years ahead,” Mr Perrottet said.

“Whether it’s for a new playground, an upgrade to cricket facilities, lights for night training, netball change rooms, disabled access to a building, renovations to a Men’s Shed or a new school bus, there are many sporting and community organisations with projects that could be eligible for these grants.”

Mr Perrottet said the funding would stimulate local economies as our state recovers from the pandemic and expand the Government’s investment in infrastructure projects that deliver positive social, environmental and recreational outcomes for the people of NSW.

“Since 2009, the Community Building Partnership program has resulted in more than \$362 million going to more than 16,600 projects across the state,” Mr Perrottet said.

“Every electorate is entitled to the same amount of money and I encourage eligible groups to apply.”

Incorporated not-for-profit community organisations and local councils are eligible to apply for the grants, with the average grant awarded about \$20,000.

For more about the program go to: <https://www.nsw.gov.au/projects/community-building-partnership>

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