

8.1 NOTICE OF MOTION- COUNCIL'S DISCRETIONARY EXPENDITURE FUND APPLICATIONS

Submitting Councillor:	The Mayor, Cr Paul Klisaris
Responsible Director:	Simone Wickes, Director Corporate Services

RECOMMENDATION

That Council resolves to approve three (3) of the following applications for funding from the Council's Discretionary Expenditure Fund in accordance with the guidelines.

APPLICANT	PURPOSE	AMOUNT RECOMMENDED
Daniella Cosentino (Individual)	Financial assistance for volunteer internship at the United Nations' Legal office.	\$500
Brandon Park Badminton Inc- (Girish Gopalkrishna)	Financial assistance for Annual Movember badminton Charity Tournament to raise funds for Movember Foundation	\$283
Ina Ratriyana	Financial assistance for Ina's children (Gio and Zea) to represent Australia in the World Robotic Olympiad International final in Turkey.	\$500

BACKGROUND

Council, in its 2024/2025 budget, provided an amount of \$22,000 for the purposes of supporting instances of community/individual need that were not readily able to be considered under the Community Grants Program or other funding programs.

DISCUSSION

Council has received requests for support from three (3) applicants for November 2024 and all of them are successful in receiving funding.

CONCLUSION

It is recommended that the application received be approved, as per the recommendation in this motion.

ATTACHMENT LIST

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Council's Discretionary Expenditure Fund Request
Council Meeting 26 Nov 2024
Council Officer Commentary

Requesting Organisation/Individual Daniella Cosentino		EDNA Reference D24-309291	
Description of the applicaton: Financial assistance for volunteer internship at the United Nations' Legal office.			
Amount Requested: \$ 1000			
Previous Council's Discretionary Fund History (if applicable):			
Description (eg Hall hire, sporting, events etc)	Year	Amount Allocated	
N/A			
Governance Checklist		Yes	No
Does the activity clearly target City of Monash residents and provide a direct service/function to local groups or individuals?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Does this applicant have a connection to Monash?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Has this applicant granted funding this financial year?		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Has this applicant indicated that they align with Gambling Harm Policy?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
If Incorporation Association- is evidence enclosed?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Is hiring cost for Council-owned or managed facilities? (Hire funding only)		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Other Department checklist			
Has this applicant applied for any other grants?		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Is this applicant eligible for any other fundings?		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Other Comments		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>This application would be ineligible for funding in any of Council's grant programs as the applicant is an individual, not an incorporated association or not-for-profit organisation.</p> <p>In addition, Council does not provide funding for travel expenses, insurance or other individual person's expenses.</p>			

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Requesting Organisation/Individual Brandon Park Badminton Inc	EDNA Reference D24- 380329	
Description of the applicaton: Annual Movember badminton Charity Tournament to raise funds for Movember Foundation.		
Amount Requested: \$ 514		
Previous Council's Discretionary Fund History (if applicable):		
Description (eg Hall hire, sporting, events etc)	Year	Amount Allocated
Movember Badminton Charity Tournament	2023	\$302.00
Movember Badminton Charity Tournament	2022	\$170.20
Governance Checklist	Yes	No
Does the activity clearly target City of Monash residents and provide a direct service/function to local groups or individuals?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Does this applicant have a connection to Monash?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Has this applicant granted funding this financial year?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Has this applicant indicated that they align with Gambling Harm Policy?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
If Incorporation Association- is evidence enclosed?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Is hiring cost for Council-owned or managed facilities? (Hire funding only)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Other Department checklist		
Has this applicant applied for any other grants?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Is this applicant eligible for any other fundings?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Other Comments	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>This group applied for and received hall hire funding for this same event through the discretionary fund in 2022 and 2023.</p> <p>The applicant name on the form (Girish Social Club) does not match the name of the incorporated association document provided (Brandon Park Badminton).</p> <p>If this application was received through the Monash Community Grants Program or Quick Response Grants it would be deemed ineligible due to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Funding is unable to be provided for fundraising activities 		

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Requesting Organisation/Individual Ina Ratriyana		EDNA Reference D24-385973	
Description of the applicaton: Financial assistance for Ina's children (Gio and Zea) to represent Australia in the World Robotic Olympiad International final in Turkey.			
Amount Requested: \$ 3,200			
Previous Council's Discretionary Fund History (if applicable):			
Description (eg Hall hire, sporting, events etc)	Year	Amount Allocated	
N/A			
Governance Checklist		Yes	No
Does the activity clearly target City of Monash residents and provide a direct service/function to local groups or individuals?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Does this applicant have a connection to Monash?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Has this applicant granted funding this financial year?		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Has this applicant indicated that they align with Gambling Harm Policy?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
If Incorporation Association- is evidence enclosed?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Is hiring cost for Council-owned or managed facilities? (Hire funding only)		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Other Department checklist			
Has this applicant applied for any other grants?		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Is this applicant eligible for any other fundings?		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Other Comments		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>This applicant would be deemed ineligible for funding through the MCGP and QRG as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The applicant is an individual, not an incorporated association or not-for-profit organisation (or auspiced by one) - Travel expenses are an ineligible item for funding - An individual person's expenses are ineligible for funding 			