

## Contributions, Grants and Donations provided by Council to the Community

Wagga Wagga City Council contributes to the community utilising a variety of methods, via contributions, donations or grant program funding, totalling over \$1.4M annually. The proposed 2017/18 contributions, grants and donations are shown in the below table:

| <b>Cultural</b>                                   |        | <b>Road Closures - Various</b>   |                  |
|---|--------|--|------------------|
| Eastern Riverina Arts Program Contribution        | 21,004 | ANZAC Day Parade   | 5,500            |
| School of Arts Contribution                       | 2,500  | Lake to Lagoon Fun Run   | 10,000           |
| Eisteddfod Donation                               | 3,090  | Wagga Gold Cup Chariot Race  | 3,000            |
| Summer School for Strings                         | 2,500  | Remembrance Day  | 2,000            |
| Riverina Conservatorium of Music events           | 4,727  | Reserve Forces Day   | 1,500            |
| Cantelina Singers                                 | 1,000  | Christmas Toy Run  | 2,000            |
| ADFAS Riverina                                    | 1,836  |  |                  |
| <b>Scholarships</b>                               |        | <b>Other</b>   |                  |
| Riverina Conservatorium Scholarship               | 2,000  | New Major Events Sponsorship   | 100,000          |
| Riverina Academy of Sport                         | 4,000  | Small Business (New Category) *Economic Development Grants Program   | 12,500           |
|   |        | Parkes Shire Council Event   | 1,000            |
| <b>Annual Grants Program - Various</b>            |        | Rural Counselling Service  | 10,000           |
| Community Development Grants                      | 30,000 | Committee 4 Wagga  | 7,500            |
| Sustainable Environments Grants S356              | 7,000  | Community S356 program *Waiving of Fees and Charges (in accordance with POL 078 Financial Assistance Policy)   | 4,238            |
| Neighbourhood/Rural Village Grants                | 22,000 | *Mayoral Discretionary Fund (in accordance with POL 078 Financial Assistance Policy) with a \$1,000 allocation, consistent with the current budget allocation for 2017/18                        | 1,000            |
| Arts & Culture Grants                             | 25,000 | *Waiving of Gregadoo Waste Management Centre Fees (in accordance with POL 078 Financial Assistance Policy) with a \$10,000 allocation, consistent with the current budget allocation for 2017/18 | 10,000           |
| Event Grants                                      | 20,000 |  |                  |
| Local Heritage Fund                               | 16,000 |  |                  |
| Sporting and Cultural Facility Improvement Grants | 30,000 |  |                  |
| Rural Hall Infrastructure Grants                  | 25,000 |  |                  |
|   |        | <b>Total contributions and donations</b>   | <b>1,321,849</b> |

\* new or amended line items

In addition to the above \$1.4M funding provided by Council to community groups and individuals, Council also currently offers community members Free Tip Days 4 times per year. The annual cost of the free tip days is currently costed at approximately \$98,000 each year. This cost is in effect a fee waiver that Council community members receive.

Council also offers Library members alternative methods to pay library book fines in December of each year, via the "Food for Fines Program". It is currently estimated that \$5,000 in fines are waived each year by Council offering this program to the community.