

Community Benefits - 2015 Community Partnership Funding Program

The Community Partnership Funding Program supports the Sunshine Coast Social Strategy 2015 which provides the overarching social direction for seeking to advance the Corporate Plan 2014-2019 goal of developing 'a strong community'.

Community reach and volunteering statistics

The table below details the statistics collected from 84 of the 87* partnership applications recommended for funding in this report. These statistics reveal that Council receives excellent value for money through this program. Funding of \$762,906 to 84 organisations with operational expenses totalling \$10,085,809 equates to a 7.5 % investment of \$1.10 per head per year for 689,664 users.

Partnership Category	No. of applicants	No. of members	No. of users annually	Annual volunteers	Annual volunteer hours	Hours of operation annually	Cost of operations	Cost of funding provided
Community Development	10	5,663	106,250	2,000	78,429	91,440	2,088,978	119,679
Community Facilities	53	10,585	431,863	3,427	250,324	173,488	6,370,682	372,011
Community Safety	4	441	58,000	2,742	107,282	30,402	1,182,222	158,900
Cultural Heritage	11	930	35,151	338	83,293	14,304	229,962	65,669
Economic Development	6	583	58,400	243	33,084	9,005	213,965	46,647
Total *	84	18,202	689,664	8,750	552,412	318,639	\$10,085,809	\$762,906

**Please note: The figures do not include three state wide organisations- Inclusion Plus Family Support Inc., Community Solutions Group Ltd and Care Flight Rescue as these large organisations could not provide figures for only their Sunshine Coast based activities and collectively have operating costs of approximately \$56 million dollars which would skew the results.*