

11 November 2024

At the conclusion of the Cultural, Creative and Nightlife Committee

Community Services and Facilities Committee

Agenda

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Item 1.

Confirmation of Minutes

Minutes of the following meetings of the Community Services and Facilities Committee are submitted for confirmation:

Meeting of 21 October 2024

Item 2.**Statement of Ethical Obligations**

In accordance with section 233A of the Local Government Act 1993, the Lord Mayor and Councillors are bound by the Oath or Affirmation of Office made at the start of the Council term to undertake their civic duties in the best interests of the people of the City of Sydney and the City of Sydney Council and to faithfully and impartially carry out the functions, powers, authorities and discretions vested in them under the Local Government Act 1993 or any other Act, to the best of their ability and judgement.

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Item 3.

Freedom Ride 60th Anniversary Event

File No: X092336

Summary

On Friday 12 February 1965, Sydney University student and Arrente/Kalkadoon man Charles Perkins joined with other students involved in Student Action for Aborigines (SAFA) on a bus tour of regional NSW. Known as the 'Freedom Ride', the bus tour aimed to increase public awareness about systemic and structural racism in Australia.

The SAFA bus was on the road for 15 days, until 26 February, but generated comment and debate in the local and international press for years afterwards about the poor treatment of Aboriginal people in Australia. The Freedom Ride had a lasting impact on the Aboriginal people and communities in the towns that the bus visited and influenced the civil rights and self-determination movement in Redfern in the 1970s.

February 2025 marks 60 years since the Freedom Ride.

The City of Sydney and the Metropolitan Local Aboriginal Land Council, is proposing to hold two events in February 2025 to mark the 60th anniversary of this historic event.

1. Exhibition Launch, 119 Redfern Street

The launch at 119 Redfern Street will feature a public program to show the legacy and impact of the Freedom Ride. This will include a morning tea, a recorded panel discussion with key participants from the country towns that the bus visited, and a display about the Freedom Ride featuring historical photographs of the event and contemporary portraits of participants.

2. Freedom Ride 60th Anniversary Reception, Sydney Town Hall

A reception will be held in Sydney Town Hall's Centennial Hall for up to 600 guests and will be attended by community representatives.

This report seeks approval to provide up to \$135,300 (including GST) in the event delivery and support costs. Funding will be drawn from the 2024/25 General Contingency fund or savings from the City Life 2024/25 operating budget. Further details of the event will be shared with Council through the CEO Update.

Recommendation

It is resolved that:

- (A) Council note the 60th anniversary of the Freedom Ride on 12 February 2025;
- (B) Council note the impact and legacy of the Freedom Ride as one of Australia's most significant civil rights events;
- (C) Council approve a total expenditure of up to \$135,300 (including GST) to deliver a program of events to mark the 60th anniversary of the Freedom Ride from the 2024/25 General Contingency Fund or savings from the City Life 2024/25 operating budget;
- (D) authority be delegated to the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate, execute and administer any contracts with suitable supplier(s) relating to the events; and
- (E) Council note further details of the event will be shared with Council through the CEO Update.

Attachments

Nil.

Background

1. On Friday 12 February 1965, 29 students from Sydney University set out in a bus to tour regional towns in NSW to expose systemic discrimination and racism against Aboriginal people.
2. Arrente/Kalkadoon man Charles Perkins, one of only two Aboriginal students at the university at the time, was elected president of the newly formed group.
3. The bus visited 16 towns over 15 days: Wellington, Gulargambone, Walgett, Collarenebri, Moree, Boggabilla, Warwick, Tenterfield, Glenn Innes, Inverell, Grafton, Lismore, Coffs Harbour, Bowraville, Kempsey and Taree.
4. In these country towns, the freedom riders confronted the entrenched and overt racism experienced by Aboriginal people including segregation and exclusion. In Walgett, the bus was run off the road by angry locals.
5. While only on the road for a little over 2 weeks, the Freedom Ride generated comment and debate in the local and international press for years afterwards about the poor treatment of Aboriginal people in Australia.
6. The Freedom Ride also had a lasting impact on the Aboriginal people and communities in the towns that the bus visited, and the protest became a contributing factor in breaking down the 'colour bar' in regional towns in NSW.
7. The Freedom Ride is now widely recognised as one of Australia's most significant civil rights protests. The event was documented with photography, film and audio at the time and its legacy has gone on to be remembered and interpreted through documentaries, exhibitions, books and memorials.
8. Many of those involved in the Freedom Ride - the Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal university students on the Student Action for Aborigines (SAFA) bus and the Aboriginal people and communities living in the towns that the bus visited - dedicated their lives to confronting systemic and structural racism in Australian society.
9. The City of Sydney and the Metropolitan Local Aboriginal Land Council will develop an event program to mark the 60th anniversary of this important occasion.
10. Further details of the event will be shared with Council through the CEO Update.

Event program

11. Two events will be held in February 2025:
 - (a) Exhibition Launch: 119 Redfern Street, Redfern
 - (i) The launch will feature a recorded panel discussion with some of the key participants in the Freedom Ride, who grew up in the country towns that the bus visited. The moderated discussion will tease out the connections of the Freedom Ride with the civil rights movement of the 1970s.
 - (ii) The City of Sydney will arrange an exhibition about the Freedom Ride to show its enduring impact and legacy, featuring historical photographs and contemporary portraits of participants. Some of the community participants with connections to activism in Redfern in the 1970s will be interviewed as part of the City's oral history program.

- (b) Freedom Ride 60th Anniversary Reception: Sydney Town Hall
 - (i) A reception will be held in Centennial Hall, Sydney Town Hall for up to 600 guests.
 - (ii) Community representatives and Elders from City of Sydney as well Elders and their guests from Aboriginal communities from Kempsey, Grafton, Glenn Innes, Inverell, Walgett, Dubbo and Moree will attend.

Key Implications

Strategic Alignment - Sustainable Sydney 2030-2050 Continuing the Vision

12. Sustainable Sydney 2030-2050 Continuing the Vision renews the communities' vision for the sustainable development of the city to 2050. It includes 10 strategic directions to guide the future of the city, as well as 10 targets against which to measure progress. This program is aligned with the following strategic directions and objectives:
 - (a) Direction 6 - An equitable and inclusive city - Celebrating the Freedom Ride and continuing to celebrate the history and Culture of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People contributes to ensuring that everyone feels welcome and can participate, prosper and reach their full potential in a city that is fair and just.
 - (b) Direction 7 - Resilient and diverse communities - The planned event will raise awareness of the Freedom Rise and its importance for the Australian civil rights movement. It will also provide an opportunity for the City to continue to increase awareness of racism in Australia, and ensuring that racism has no place in our city.
 - (c) Direction 8 - A thriving cultural and creative life - The planned event will create an opportunity for Truth Telling and celebration of the Culture and stories of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People, particularly those involved in the Freedom Ride.

Social / Cultural / Community

13. Almost 60 years after the Freedom Ride, Walgett is honouring the local men and women who made it happen. The project began with Walgett Aboriginal Medical (WAMS) securing state government funding to develop an artwork to commemorate the Freedom Ride to Walgett.
14. The Freedom Ride Memorial Park was officially opened in July 2023 in Walgett, with an artwork to commemorate the Freedom Rides.
15. The display focuses on Walgett's association with the Freedom Ride, identifying significant local Aboriginal people who had a key role in the demonstrations and events specific to the town. The artworks include interpretive panels that were developed in collaboration with local artist Frank Wright and are displayed on the old bank vault that was existing on site.
16. The site will also have native planting, interpretive pathways, seating and language signage around the artwork, providing a communal space for truth telling, sharing and contemplation.

17. In 2025, The Freedom Ride 60-year anniversary will be marked with special events, in each of the towns including Sydney, Moree, Lismore, Wellington, Kempsey and Walgett, with each town creating their own celebrations for the 60-year anniversary.
18. The City acknowledged the important cultural significance this anniversary has in communities right across NSW and was happy to support the Walgett organising committee to achieve this with the Metropolitan Local Aboriginal Lands Council (MLALC).
19. The City will work collaboratively with the Walgett organising committee, other local communities and descendants of the original Freedom Riders to make sure that the events support the overall aims and objectives of the 60th anniversary.

Financial Implications

20. This report seeks approval for total expenditure of up to \$135,300 (incl. GST) to celebrate the 60th anniversary of the Freedom Ride.
21. The expenditure consists of approximately \$50,000 (incl. GST) to deliver a morning tea, performances, infrastructure for the exhibition and other program activities at 119 Redfern Street, and \$73,000 (incl. GST) to deliver Freedom Ride 60th Anniversary reception for up to 600 people, all infrastructure, staffing and set up for all activities at Sydney Town Hall.
22. A contingency amount of \$12,300, or 10% of the total estimated cost, has been requested to accommodate unforeseen program changes given the evolving nature of discussions with Metropolitan Local Aboriginal Land Council. All expenditure will only be exercised if necessary and approved by appropriate delegation.

Relevant Legislation

23. Local Government Act 1993.

Critical Dates / Time Frames

24. The 60th anniversary of Freedom Ride will take place on 12 February 2025.

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Item 4.

Grants and Sponsorship - Social Grants

File No: S117676

Summary

The City of Sydney's Grants and Sponsorship Program supports initiatives and projects that build the social, cultural, environmental and economic life of the city. To achieve the objectives of the Sustainable Sydney 2030-2050 Continuing the Vision, genuine partnership between government, business and the community is required.

The provision of grants and sponsorships is a mechanism to further the aims identified in the City's social, cultural, economic and environmental policies. Applications are assessed against these policies and against broad City objectives and plans. In this way, the City and the community act collaboratively to achieve the goals of Sustainable Sydney 2030-2050 Continuing the Vision.

The City advertised the Food Support Grant program in the annual Grants and Sponsorship Programs.

For the Food Support Grant program, 24 eligible applications were received. This report recommends a total of 7 grants to a total value of \$455,000 in cash and \$11,845 in value-in-kind in the 2024/25 financial year.

On 22 August 2022, Council adopted a Grants and Sponsorship Policy. All grants in this report were assessed in accordance with the Grants and Sponsorship Policy, the Grants and Sponsorship Program Guidelines, the priorities set out in Sustainable Sydney 2030-2050 Continuing the Vision and various other relevant City strategies and action plans.

All grant recipients will be required to sign a contract, meet specific performance outcomes and acquit their grant. All figures in this report exclude GST.

Recommendation

It is resolved that:

- (A) Council approve the cash and value-in-kind recommendations for the Food Support Grant program as shown at Attachment A to the subject report;
- (B) Council note the applicants who were not recommended in obtaining a cash grant or value-in-kind for the Food Support Grant program as shown at Attachment B to the subject report;
- (C) Council note that all grant amounts are exclusive of GST;
- (D) authority be delegated to the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate, execute and administer agreements with any organisation approved for a grant or sponsorship under terms consistent with this resolution and the Grants and Sponsorship Policy; and
- (E) authority be delegated to the Chief Executive Officer to correct minor errors to the matters set out in this report, noting that the identity of the recipient will not change, and a CEO Update will be provided to Council advising of any changes made in accordance with this resolution.

Attachments

Attachment A. Recommended For Funding - Food Support Grant Program

Attachment B. Not Recommended For Funding - Food Support Grant Program

Background

1. The City of Sydney's Grants and Sponsorship Program supports residents, businesses and not-for-profit organisations to undertake initiatives and projects that build the social, cultural, environmental and economic life of the city.
2. On 23 July 2024, the City announced that the Grants and Sponsorship Programs Winter round was open for application on its website, with grant applications closing on 20 August 2024.
3. Information about these grant programs (such as application dates, guidelines, and eligibility criteria) was made available on the City's website. The City actively promoted the grant programs through the corporate website, e-newsletters, advertising through paid social ads, paid LinkedIn, AdWords, Radio and an ArtsHub partnership. Email campaigns were utilised to target interested parties who have applied previously for grants at the City or who have expressed an interest in the City's programs.
4. As per the Grants and Sponsorship Program Guidelines, the Food Support Grants program is open to not-for-profit organisations and incorporated associations (Tier 1 and Tier 2) and individuals or unincorporated community groups auspiced by a not-for-profit organisation that is eligible to apply in their own right (Tier 1 only). For-profit organisations are not eligible for this program.

Grants assessment process

5. The City's Grants and Sponsorship Program is highly competitive. Applications that are not recommended have either not scored as highly against the assessment criteria as the recommended applications or have incomplete or insufficient information. The City's Grants and Sponsorship team provides feedback to unsuccessful applicants.
6. The assessment process includes advice and recommendations from a suitably qualified assessment panel. The applications are scored against defined assessment criteria for each grant program as well as the integrity of the proposed budget, project plan, partnerships, contributions and connection to the local community and industry sectors.
7. The assessment criteria for the Food Support grants program requesting up to \$20,000 cash per year are:
 - evidence of the need for the project or program and proposed outcomes;
 - capacity and experience of the applicant to deliver the project or program; and
 - evidence of the project or program having direct engagement with our diverse communities, including Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, people experiencing or at risk of homelessness, young people, older people, people with disability, international students, culturally and linguistically diverse communities, women, LGBTIQ+ communities and low-income earners.

8. Applicants who requested more than \$20,000 in cash per year are also assessed against the following additional assessment criteria:
 - how the project delivers against the funding priorities.
9. Applicants to the Food Support grants - Tier 2 are also assessed against the following additional assessment criteria:
 - evidence of partnerships with local community organisations and networks.
10. The assessment meeting for the Food Support Grant program was held on 19 September 2024 to ensure grant applicants were assessed against the relevant assessment criteria.
11. The assessment panel consisted of City staff from the Strategy and Urban Analytics and City Business and Safety and Teams, with specialist input from staff from the Indigenous Leadership & Engagement and Social City Teams.
12. Once recommended applications are approved by Council, a contract is developed which includes conditions that must be adhered to and acquitted against.
13. It is expected that all successful applicants will work cooperatively with relevant City staff throughout the project for which they have received funding.
14. All grants and sponsorships are recommended on the condition that any required approvals, permits and development consents are obtained by the applicant.

Food Support Grant program

15. The applications recommended for the Food Support Grant program are outlined in Attachment A to this report.

16. The Food Support Grant program budget is set out below:

Total budget for 2024/25	\$1,500,000
Less: Total cash committed to previously approved applications	\$1,045,000
Total cash available	\$455,000
Total number of eligible applications this allocation	24
Total cash value requested from applications	\$6,122,966
Total value-in-kind support requested from applications	\$11,845
Total number of applications recommended for cash and/or value in-kind support	7
Total amount of cash funding recommended for payment in 2024/25 (Future-year funding recommended for payment in 2025/26 - \$90,000)	\$455,000
Total amount of value in-kind support recommended for 2024/25 (Future-year value in-kind support recommended in 2025/26 - \$0)	\$11,845
Cash amount remaining for payment in 2024/25	\$0

Key Implications

Strategic Alignment - Sustainable Sydney 2030-2050 Continuing the Vision

17. Sustainable Sydney 2030-2050 Continuing the Vision renews the communities' vision for the sustainable development of the city to 2050. It includes 10 strategic directions to guide the future of the city, as well as 10 targets against which to measure progress. This grant is aligned with the following strategic directions and objectives:

- (a) Direction 6 - An equitable and inclusive city - the recommended grant projects in this report contribute to community development and support active participation in civic life. They empower the community to address issues that matter to them and drive projects to create a more inclusive and resilient city.

Organisational Impact

18. The grants and sponsorships contract management process will involve key staff across the City of Sydney. Identified staff set contract conditions and performance measures for each approved project, and review project acquittals, which include both narrative and financial reports.

Social / Cultural / Economic / Environmental

19. The City's Grants and Sponsorship Program provides the City with a platform to support cultural, economic, environmental and social initiatives from the communities and business, within the local area.

Financial Implications

20. There are sufficient funds allocated in the 2024/25 grants and sponsorship budget, included in the City's operating budget for 2024/25, to support the recommended grants. Details and total values are provided in the table above.

Relevant Legislation

21. Section 356 of the Local Government Act 1993 provides that a council may, in accordance with a resolution of the council, contribute money or otherwise grant financial assistance to persons for the purpose of exercising its functions.

Critical Dates / Time Frames

22. The funding period for the Food Support grant program for financial year 2024/25 is for activity taking place from 1 January 2025 to 31 December 2025. Contracts will be developed for all successful applications after Council approval to ensure their funding is released in time for projects starting in January 2025.

Public Consultation

23. During July 2024, online and in person briefing sessions took place where potential applicants were notified about the grants and how to apply. For this Winter round of grants, separate online briefing sessions were introduced for each program, to enable people who were interested in more than one program to attend each:
 - (a) An online briefing session for Food Support grants program was held on 24 July 2024. A total of 28 attendees participated in the session.
 - (b) An in-person briefing session for the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community was held at 119 Redfern St Community Centre on 23 July 2024. A total of 6 attendees participated in the session.
 - (c) An in-person briefing session for the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community was held at Juanita Nielsen Community Centre, Woolloomooloo on 29 July 2024. A total of one attendee participated in the session.

24. The combined number of people engaged in online and in person briefing sessions for Winter round is 205, which is an increase of 17 compared to the summer round grant sessions earlier in the year.

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Attachment A

**Recommended for Funding
Food Support Grant Program**

Food Support Grant Program - Winter Round - 2024/25

Recommended for Funding

Organisation Name	Project Name	Project Description	\$ Amount Requested	VIK Requested	\$ Amount Recommended	VIK Recommended	Additional Conditions
Arc @ UNSW Limited	Food Hub @ Paddington	A project in Darlinghurst to create a semi-permanent pop-up Food Hub at Paddington to replicate the existing Food Hub service at Kensington, currently servicing approximately 1,200 people per week.	\$161,745 (Year 1 - 24/25) \$156,745 (Year 2 - 25/26)	Venue hire fee waiver to the value of \$11,845 (Year 1 - 24/25) \$13,030 (Year 2 - 25/26)	\$100,000 (Year 1 only)	Venue hire fee waiver to the value of \$11,845 (Year 1 only)	Nil
Dignitas Respect Incorporated	Dignitas Incorporated - Flavour	A project in Waterloo to provide free meals to public housing residents, the homeless and those at risk of homelessness, training on how to prepare nutritious low-cost meals, and access to computers with internet for nutritional research.	\$31,258	Nil	\$31,258	Nil	Nil
Oz Harvest Limited	Improving OzHarvest's capacity to provide universal access to food	A project to increase the operational capacity to provide universal access to food to diverse local communities through inclusive and safe food support programs.	\$350,000 (Year 1 - 24/25) \$350,000 (Year 2 - 25/26)	Nil	\$70,000 (Year 1 only)	Nil	Applicant to identify number of Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islanders events, the Food Truck will attend.
Plate it forward Ltd	The Social Meal: Food relief for Sydney's under-served communities	A meal donation program to prepare 3,000 nutritious, restaurant-quality meals each week to vulnerable and under-served communities in the local area via our community and charity partners.	\$210,000 (Year 1 - 24/25) \$210,000 (Year 2 - 25/26)	Nil	\$40,000 (Year 1 only)	Nil	Nil

Organisation Name	Project Name	Project Description	\$ Amount Requested	VIK Requested	\$ Amount Recommended	VIK Recommended	Additional Conditions
Pocket City Farms	Farming for Food Security	A project in Camperdown to donate 50% of the food grown at the farm to local organisations, providing food relief and improving the access to fresh, local and healthy food to those experiencing food insecurity.	\$27,090	Nil	\$27,090	Nil	Applicant to provide a revised project plan
The Twenty-Ten Association Incorporated	Pantry Pride!	A project in Newtown to provide young LGBTIQ+ people with fresh food and pantry items, and the skills to budget, shop, cook for themselves and connect to community through shared meal preparation experiences.	\$79,391 (Year 1 - 24/25) \$79,391 (Year 2 - 25/26)	Nil	\$46,652 (Year 1 - 24/25) \$40,000 (Year 2 - 25/26)	Nil	Applicant to provide a revised budget
Wyanga Aboriginal Aged Care Program Inc	Wyanga Food Program	A project in Redfern to improve the access and skills to prepare healthy and culturally appropriate food for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community with disabilities.	\$750,000 (Year 1 - 24/25) \$725,000 (Year 2 - 25/26)	Nil	\$140,000 (Year 1 - 24/25) \$50,000 (Year 2 - 25/26)	Nil	Nil
Total Amount Recommended for allocation in 2024/25					\$455,000	\$11,845	

Attachment B

**Not Recommended for Funding
Food Support Grant Program**

Food Support Grant Program - Winter Round - 2024/25

Not Recommended for Funding

Organisation Name	Project Name	Project Description	\$ Amount Requested	VIK Requested
Addison Road Centre for Arts, Culture, Community and Environment Ltd.	Food Ecology in the City	A project in Camperdown to expand access to affordable, healthy and culturally appropriate food for vulnerable communities in the local community.	\$750,000 (Year 1 - 24/25) \$750,000 (Year 2 - 25/26)	Nil
Beehive Industries Co-Operative Limited	The Big Beehive Global Kitchen	Beehive will grow its capacity and capability to increase access to culturally appropriate food and contribute to Sydney's food support services for our diverse communities.	\$111,000 (Year 1 - 24/25) \$86,000 (Year 2 - 25/26)	Nil
Camperdown Quarters Limited	Living Hope Missions Food Program	A project in Camperdown to improve and increase the access to affordable and healthy food by providing a wide range of free food support services tailored to the needs of local diverse communities.	\$165,000 (Year 1 - 24/25) \$181,500 (Year 2 - 25/26)	Nil
Catholic Parish St Canice Elizabeth Bay as The Operator of a PBI	Providing free daily nutritious cooked meals at St Canice's Kitchen	A project in Rushcutters Bay to provide nutritious, cooked meals for people experiencing homelessness and economic and social exclusion in the local community.	\$192,500	Nil
Community Youth & Development Organisation Incorporated	Meals of Hope	A project in Lakemba to distribute nutritious meal kits to people experiencing homelessness, to ensure dignity and sustenance.	\$164,500	Nil
Hollywood Quarter Incorporated	CBD Indoor Farm supporting local businesses and communities	An indoor farm project to supply local businesses with a diverse range of healthy sustainable produce, engaging local communities through education and training on technical farming operations and food handling.	\$550,000 (Year 1 - 24/25) \$300,000 (Year 2 - 25/26)	Nil
Link Org Limited	Link Org Food Hampers	A project to collect donated and heavily discounted fresh produce, meat and groceries from partners, to make food hampers for families to pick up at collection points in the local area.	\$597,540 (Year 1 - 24/25) \$750,000 (Year 2 - 25/26)	Nil
Medius Dei Limited	BREAD CONNECTIONS - Less Waste More Hope	A project to enhance logistics with reliable paid drivers in the local area to reduce waste, ensure timely bread deliveries, and foster community connections.	\$190,000 (Year 1 - 24/25) \$190,000 (Year 2 - 25/26)	Nil

Organisation Name	Project Name	Project Description	\$ Amount Requested	VIK Requested
Police Citizens Youth Clubs NSW Ltd	Youth Fuel Initiative: Glebe Youth Meals Program.	A project in Glebe to provide nutritious meals and snacks to at-risk youth in Glebe, promoting healthy eating habits and fostering a supportive community environment.	\$187,039 (Year 1 - 24/25) \$82,525 (Year 2 - 25/26)	Nil
ProjectKindness Incorporated	ProjectKindness Weekly Grocery Delivery Programme for the vulnerable community members	A project to provide weekly grocery deliveries to the most vulnerable members of the community to ensure they have adequate food and increase their social connectedness.	\$250,000 (Year 1 - 24/25) \$250,000 (Year 2 - 25/26)	Nil
SecondBite	Sustainable food support for the City of Sydney	A project in cooperation with local charities to enhance the logistic capabilities and regular distribution of food support for local area residents and disadvantaged communities.	\$304,500 (Year 1 - 24/25) \$67,000 (Year 2 - 25/26)	Nil
South Eastern Community Connect Inc	The Big Give: Food Security & Nutrition for Marginalised Communities	A project in Green Square to rescue food to distribute to marginalised communities, provide weekly cooking classes, nutrition information sessions, healthy multicultural supported playgroups, and monthly outreach community lunches.	\$165,000 (Year 1 - 24/25) \$175,725 (Year 2 - 25/26)	Nil
St Vincent De Paul Society NSW	Dignity and Choice - Improved Nutritious Canteen Meals	A project in Woolloomooloo to increase the quality and nutrition of canteen dinners by establishing a robust wholesale food system and enhancing the skills of the cooking staff, for the benefit of the local community.	\$399,050 (Year 1 - 24/25) \$399,050 (Year 2 - 25/26)	Nil
The Trustee for the Salvation Army (NSW) Property Trust	Sydney City Salvos Community Meals	A project in Surry Hills to improve the methods of supply, preparation and distribution of meals, increasing the capacity to provide healthy and culturally appropriate meals in more sustainable ways.	\$65,000 (Year 1 - 24/25) \$65,000 (Year 2 - 25/26)	Nil
The Uniting Church in Australia Property Trust (NSW)	Wayside Community Cafe Resilience Program	A project in Potts Point to meet the increased demand on affordable food and to improve the resilience of the service in the face an uncertain future.	\$233,553 (Year 1 - 24/25) \$242,311 (Year 2 - 25/26)	Nil
University of New South Wales	Food Sharing Hub: Connecting Disadvantaged Communities Through Sustainable Food Relief	An online platform project to redirect quality food surpluses, connect food relief organizations, donors, volunteers, and rideshare platforms, and expand the capacity to deliver food to disadvantaged communities in the local area.	\$100,000	Nil

Organisation Name	Project Name	Project Description	\$ Amount Requested	VIK Requested
Will2live Limited	Free, healthy meals for the homeless and hungry	A project in Alexandria to prepare and distribute free, healthy, safe and culturally appropriate meals for homeless and disadvantaged people in the local area.	\$88,800 (Year 1 - 24/25) \$88,800 (Year 2 - 25/26)	Nil