

# CitiPower & Cricket Victoria

## Canteen Grant

### 2023 Guidelines

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Addressing electrical safety issues and improving services offered by cricket club canteens and clubhouses around the state is the purpose of the joint venture: the *CitiPower and Cricket Victoria Canteen Grant*.

As part of a whole of cricket partnership, CitiPower and Cricket Victoria have committed a minimum amount of \$50,000 in total to be distributed annually through the Canteen Grant. Since its inception, we have distributed a total of \$279,000 in grant funding to 69 clubs, with an average grant amount of \$4,045.00.

Our investment towards the *CitiPower and Cricket Victoria Canteen Grant* plays an important role in improving the safety of club facilities for the benefit of the volunteers who operate them and the members and guests who rely on their services.

In season 2023/24, we are offering cricket clubs up to \$5,000 each to deliver projects that develop or improve electrical safety within the club facilities. Clubs can use the funds for replacing or upgrading electrical appliances, electrical wiring and powerboards, switchboards or related infrastructure to safely provide quality services.

#### Who can apply?

This opportunity is available to Victorian cricket clubs and associated affiliations with the following bodies:

- Victorian Country Cricket League
- Victorian Metropolitan Cricket Association
- Victorian Sub District Cricket Association
- Victorian Premier Cricket.

Club and association applicants must be based in Victoria and be properly constituted and registered as an incorporated body. Clubs must be able to provide a copy of their constitution if requested. Clubs and associated affiliations must also reside in a CitiPower, Powercor, or United Energy distribution network area. To find out if you are connected to one of these networks, enter your Club's postcode in the following [network finder](#).

## About CitiPower, Powercor, and United Energy

**CitiPower, Powercor and United Energy** are three of the five electricity distribution businesses in Victoria and distribute electricity to more than 1.7 million customers in regions covering around 65% of the state. Teams based in depots across the regions are focused on delivering reliable, safe and affordable electricity to households and businesses. They operate, manage and maintain all the network assets, manage network safety, particularly in relation to bushfire risks and provide metering services. Living and working safely with electricity is the business' highest priority. **CitiPower** distributes electricity to more than 330,000 customers in the Melbourne CBD and inner suburbs through a network of poles, wires and infrastructure. [The CitiPower Centre](#) at Junction Oval is the home for Cricket Victoria.

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## Club and Association Eligibility

To be eligible, clubs must meet the following requirements:

1. Completed Victorian Cricket Registration and National Club Risk Protection Programme for the upcoming 2023-24 and previous 2022-23 cricket season. (If you are unsure of your club's compliance, please contact Cricket Victoria on 03 9085 4000)
2. The club or association does not have any outstanding debts to Cricket Victoria or Cricket Australia including National Club Risk Protection Insurance
3. The club or association has adopted and endorsed Australian Cricket's Policy for Safeguarding Children and Young People, Australian Cricket's Looking After Our Kids Code of Behaviour for Affiliated Clubs and Associations and signed the Commitment Statement for Safeguarding Children and Young People to be eligible for the Community Cricket Grants program.

## Eligible Projects

The following projects are eligible for funding:

- Replacement or upgrading of aging electrical appliances, wiring or equipment which represent a safety risk but are used to provide services to club members and guests.
- Resources that improve safety for operating electrical appliances in club facilities. For example, heavy duty power leads for larger appliances, safety switches, smoke detectors or cabinetry for improved installation security.
- Electrical equipment and appliances with demonstrated use for local cricket clubs:
  - Kitchen appliances for club kiosks for example: coffee machines, toasters, kettles, pie warmers and microwaves.
  - Whitegoods including fridges, freezers and washing machines.

Please note: Items that require permanent installation for example, dishwashers and ovens or rangehoods, fans or heaters must include a support letter from the local council or clubroom owner manager.

### Ineligible Projects

- Projects that require installation and fittings that do not have a letter of support from the local council or asset owner.
- Professional coaching or player payments.
- Projects and equipment that have been funded by another Cricket Victoria grants program.
- Uniforms and material/s from which sporting uniforms will be made.
- Purchase of land.
- Canteen stock items such soft drink, food and alcohol.
- Rental costs associated with the annual or seasonal hire of facilities.
- Ongoing operational costs such as salaries for ongoing positions, rent, electricity and other utilities.
- Purchase or leasing of vehicles, trailers and accessories.
- Requests in excess of \$5,000 unless the balance of funding required is already secured by the club.
- Projects which will not be completed within 6 months of grant approval.

### How will applications be assessed?

Eligible applications will be assessed based on responses provided in the application form and required attachments to ensure:

- Applications are complete and signed by an authorised executive member of the club.
- Requests are itemized with quoted costs.
- Breakdown of contributions towards the project are clear (eg % from grant, % from Club and % from any third parties where applicable)
- Evidence of in-kind contributions is provided, e.g. electrical contractor or supplier letter of support
- Landowner letter of support is provided when appropriate, e.g. council support letter for permanent fittings and works
- Project supports local procurement: electrical retail or wholesale suppliers and authorized electrical contractors are sourced for goods and services.

Eligibility does not guarantee success. It is expected that more applications will be received than can be funded in one 12 month period.

Cricket Victoria will assess all applications and determine the successful applicants and the amounts awarded, in consultation with CitiPower. The assessment may take between three to five weeks from the closing date.

All applicants will receive written notification of the outcome of the assessment process.

Cricket Victoria reserves the right to prioritise applications for clubs in communities that have experienced socio-economic disadvantage, floods, fire, theft or a natural disaster in the past two years.

## Funding Levels

- Each club can submit one application for up to \$5,000, per annum. Applications can request more than one item.

*As an example, Country Cricket Club can submit one application for electrical appliance upgrades including \$200 for a toaster, \$700 for a microwave, \$2,000 for an oven and \$2,000 worth of re-wiring costs by a registered electrical contractor.*

- The maximum award is \$5,000 per application.
- A funding contribution of 100% of the total cost of the items up to \$5,000 is available.
- For items exceeding \$5,000, clubs must explain where the remainder of the funding is coming from. E.g. club, council, third party or in-kind.

*As an example, Coastal Cricket Club is applying for a \$6,000 grant following a fire in the canteen. The club is seeking \$5,000 from this grant and the remaining \$1,000 to replace items lost in the fire is covered by the cricket club.*

- Cricket clubs, leagues or associations who are grant recipients must adhere to the Codes of Behaviour as set out in Australian Cricket's Looking After Our Kids Codes of Behaviour for Affiliated Associations and Clubs and the Cricket Victoria Member Protection By-Laws. Grant recipients must adhere to these Codes of Behaviour during the life of the project and agree to carry out its requirements.
- Cricket Victoria reserves the right to determine the grants distribution amounts in partnership with CitiPower.

## Acknowledging CitiPower and Cricket Victoria's support and promoting success

Cricket Victoria and CitiPower will appreciate the support and cooperation of successful cricket clubs to promote the grants received and work conducted within local media.

Applicants may be required to contribute information on activity outcomes for use in program evaluation reviews or marketing materials.

## Submitting applications

- Applications must use the official application form online via the Cricket Victoria website at <http://www.cricketvictoria.com.au/support/grants>
- Applications for the sixth instalment of the *CitiPower and Cricket Victoria Canteen Grant* will commence on **29 November 2023** and closes on **22 December 2023**.
- The declaration must be signed and witnessed by a member authorised to sign club documents, eg a member of the club's executive.
- Please read the application form and guidelines carefully.
- Applications without the required paperwork attached, will be deemed ineligible.
- Only **ONE** application may be submitted per Club or Association.
- Applications must be received by Cricket Victoria no later than **COB, Friday 22 December 2023**

- All figures used in the application including amount requested and project budgets must be **GST EXCLUSIVE**. On approval of funding of grant, the total amount will be paid to the applicant's account.
- Late applications will not be accepted under any circumstances.

Assessment of applications may take between three to five weeks. All applicants will be notified of their outcome in writing and a formal announcement of successful projects will be made by Cricket Victoria and CitiPower.

Clubs must complete the project within three months of receiving funding approval. If the project is cancelled, then notify Cricket Victoria and return all funding with 21 days.

Successful applicants will be required to sign a formal Cricket Victorian funding agreement, provide an invoice, appropriate financials and a final outcomes report.

**CitiPower and Cricket Victoria Canteen Grant**

***Apply online:***

**<http://www.cricketvictoria.com.au/support/grants>**

**For grant enquiries, please contact  
Cricket Victoria on 03 9085 4000.**

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