

Rio Tinto Gove Operations Sponsorships and Donations Programme Questions and answers

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How can my group, association or organisation apply?

Programme guidelines and application form can be downloaded at www.goveoperations.com

Only completed application forms will be assessed.

Why has the annual funding limit been reduced from \$10,000 to \$5,000 per year?

The Sponsorships and Donations Programme is part of a portfolio approach to community investment at Gove Operations. We are committed to making a positive contribution to the local community. A review of approved applications over the past several years highlighted the need to ensure our contribution was evenly spread across a broad range of community groups, associations and organisations. The change in funding requirements will enable our investment allocation to achieve this.

Can I apply for funding more than once throughout the year?

Yes, provided your total funding for the calendar year does not exceed \$5000. Applications are open each quarter of the year and this approach will assist applicants to plan for funding a year in advanced.

What sorts of things can I apply for?

Applications from not-for-profit organisations and community groups and associations can be made in the following categories:

1. **Sport, recreation and wellbeing**
Activities that promote and support a healthy and active community
2. **Culture**
Initiatives that support cultural diversity within the region, enhancing recognition and celebration
3. **Environment and natural resources**
Initiatives that protect and enhance natural resources including agriculture, land, water and biodiversity
4. **Community events and significant days/activities**
Activities which encourage community connection and promote a social environment where a national day/week is celebrated for inclusion of the community.

Some examples include:

- Sport and recreation activities that enhance the vibrancy of the town
- Cultural activities which promote inclusion and celebrating our unique lifestyle
- Acknowledging significant days focused on raising awareness in the community

How does Rio Tinto assess applications?

Support for projects and events depends heavily on the value it provides to the broader community. If there is not a clear link between your application and the benefit/s it provides the Gove Peninsula area community, funding may not be approved.

Who is eligible to apply?

The programme is open to not-for-profit organisations and community groups and associations.

Generally, a not-for-profit is an organisation that does not operate for the profit, personal gain or other benefit of particular people. This can include people such as its members, the people who run it or their friends or relatives.

Not-for-profits can make profit, but any profit made must be applied for the organisation's purpose(s). You can show that your organisation meets the requirements of being a not-for-profit by having particular statements (clauses) in its governing rules, and following these.

What sorts of activities are not supported by the programme?

Rio Tinto Gove Operations will generally not support:

- Any air travel for individuals or groups
- Projects that are considered to be the core responsibility of government
- Projects solely focused on capital works
- Private business activities
- Political or religious activities

If I apply does this mean automatic approval?

No. Submitting an application for a sponsorship or donation does not guarantee approval. Rio Tinto Gove Operations Sponsorships and Donations Programme is discretionary and the value of each application is assessed on key guidelines and the number of applications received for each quarter.

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Will I be notified when applications are open?

Yes, reminders will periodically be placed on social and media outlets. You can submit an application at any time.

Applications are assessed quarterly in March, June, September and December each year. If an application is submitted after each quarterly funding round closing date, it will be assessed in the next quarter funding allocation.

Who can I contact regarding a funding application?

A member of Gove Operations Communities team can talk to you and your group or organisation about the process and provide advice. Please contact the Communities team on 1800 996 508 or govecommunities@riotinto.com