

AUSTRALIAN FENCING FEDERATION

Project 5000 Participation Grants



Overview

The AFF is delighted to launch the Project 5000 Participation Grants Program.

This program will provide funding for targeted initiatives aimed at increasing participation in fencing. It is being implemented as part of the AFF's strategic aim of achieving 5,000 registered 'active members' (fencers affiliated at State level).

Program details

The program will offer grant funding to clubs, State Associations and other eligible organisations to support activities which attract new participants to fencing.

It is aimed at activities which result in an increase in the number of active members (fencers affiliated at State level). Accordingly, funding will not be provided for one-off 'come and try' events.

A total of up to \$30,000 will be allocated during calendar 2018, subject to suitable applications being received. A maximum of \$5,000 will be allocated to any one activity.

A maximum of 50% funding will be paid up front, with the remaining amount to be paid following completion of the activity and subject to confirmed State affiliation of new active members (who had not been affiliated in the past two years).

Funding criteria

The program is open to coaches, clubs and State Associations who are registered with the AFF. Applications from external organisations (eg schools or universities) may also be considered.

Applications for funding will be assessed according to the following criteria:

- demonstrated ability and experience in delivering successful participation outcomes
- return on investment (expenditure vs new active members)
- ability to deliver sustained increases in participation numbers
- opportunity to introduce fencing into new geographic areas (eg regional Australia)
- potential to increase diversity – eg through programs targeted at women, minorities or disadvantaged groups
- use of innovative solutions (including the potential for broader roll-out)

Successful recipients will be required to provide a financial reconciliation and a short report.

Timetable

Funding applications will be accepted in three tranches in accordance with the timetable set out below. However, Tranches 2 and 3 will only be offered if all available funds have not yet been allocated.

	Applications open	Applications close
Tranche 1	1 November 2017	6 December 2017
Tranche 2	1 March 2018	6 April 2018
Tranche 3	1 July 2018	6 August 2018

Application process

Please complete the application form and return to operations@fencing.org.au by the specified closing date.