

Before you start

NOTE: this sample form is provided to help with preparation, all EOIs MUST be submitted via the Survey Monkey link provided on the Neighbourhood Project website

The Neighbourhood Project is a movement of champions for great neighbourhoods.

Through this expression of interest, we are looking for the next round of communities and projects to work with us to create great neighbourhoods.

BEFORE YOU START

Please read the information pack on our website for information on the project background and eligibility: www.theneighbourhoodproject.org

ELIGIBILITY

Community Eligibility

To apply, you need to be a community group, organisation, resident or local business. We encourage applications from all sorts of local groups and communities, whether you're just a few dedicated local mates or a formally incorporated group.

To be eligible, you will need to have:

- A project idea to improve your neighbourhood
- Your project idea is located within one of the eligible Metropolitan Melbourne Councils (a list of eligible councils is included in the information pack)
- A group (or at least a few keen helpers) ready to pitch in and make it happen.
- The support of your council (Note: that you *don't* need to have this to submit an EOI, we will work with you to gain council support if your project is selected)
- Reviewed the project information, attended an info session or watched the webinar (please refer to the program website)

You will also need to be willing to:

- Collaborate with other locals and groups to develop an idea. This could include people outside your group. This is about benefiting your neighbourhood, not just you or your group.
- Work closely with Council. This is a shared learning process for councils and communities to work together.
- Send at least two people from your group to the bootcamp to develop your project idea (This will involve approximately 5 days of time over 3 months, held outside of business hours. Please refer to the information pack).

Can councils apply?

This year, only communities can submit an application. Interested councils should send this EOI and the info pack to local community groups and encourage them to apply. If a group from your area applies, Council will receive up to \$30,000-50,000 in in-kind support and training.

Councils' commitment to the program is a criteria for community selection. (We will assist community groups to make contact with council and gain permission, this is not part of the EOI process)

NEED HELP?

If you need assistance filling out this form, please contact us at theneighbourhoodproject@codesignstudio.com.au or (03) 9417 0020

Your Neighbourhood Group

Please provide some background information about your organisation or team. Please note that we need a minimum of two representatives to apply.

* 1. Participant 1: Contact name

* 2. Participant 1: Email address

* 3. Participant 1: Contact phone number

* 4. Participant 2: Contact Name:

* 5. Participant 2: Email address

* 6. Participant 2: Contact phone number

* 7. Which suburb do you live in?

* 8. Which council area is this located in? (If you're unsure, this link will help you find which Council area you're in: <http://knowyourcouncil.vic.gov.au/councils>)

* 9. Are you part of a group or organisation?

Yes

No

10. Name of Organisation or Group

*** 11. What is the nature of your group**

- Incorporated association
- Unincorporated association
- Informal
- Social Enterprise

Other (please specify)

12. Website for your organisation (if applicable)

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Your big ideas for you neighbourhood

* 13. What is your idea or project to make your neighbourhood better? (Max 1000 characters)

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14. Why is this idea or project important for your neighbourhood? (Max 1000 Characters)

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* 15. What stage is your idea or project at? (We are interested in projects of all scales and stages from ideas to pilot projects)

- It's just an idea
- We've formed a group of people around the idea
- We have already developed project plans
- We've already started to implement our idea

Other (please specify)

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* 16. Where do you plan to implement your project or idea? Please identify 2-3 possible sites (note these need to be public spaces such as a street, park, or a piece of under-utilised land in your area)

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* 17. Who is ready to help you out and support you deliver your idea or project? Who is in your group? Do you have any partners?
What other groups/businesses in the area support your ideas? (Max 1000 Characters)

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* 18. What skills, resources, or materials are available to help make these ideas happen? Think about what you, your group, your supporters, and others in your community already have such as partners, volunteer time, materials, ideas, skills

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* 19. If selected to take part in the program, how would you plan to get neighbours or locals involved? E.g. community workshops, social media, activity days, working with local businesses, meetings, local marketing etc (Max 1000 Characters)

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* 20. What do you most need help with to make your idea or project happen? (please select your top 3)

- Materials (such as equipment, tools, plants etc)
- Permit and planning support
- Insurance and risk management
- Funding
- Community organising
- Design and technical support
- Finding someone at Council who can help
- Marketing and communications
- Finding a site of location
- Finding volunteers or other likeminded people
- Maintaining volunteer energy and commitment
- Conflict resolution

Other (please specify)

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* 21. Have you talked to your Council about your ideas?

Yes

No

If yes, which area, department or contact at council?

* 22. What experience do you have in running a community project? Do you have any successes or lessons learned to share? (Max 1000 Characters)

* 23. Supporting information. Please upload one document to help us understand the ideas you have for your neighbourhood.

This could be a photo of your street, a drawing of your idea, a plan you have already developed, or an overview of your group. This doesn't need to be professional quality - word documents, sketches and mobile photos are fine. Please limit this to two pages.

Choose File

No file chosen

Thank You!

Thank you for completing the Expression of Interest form.

The Neighbourhood Project team will review all expressions of interest and notify applicants whether they have been shortlisted by late July.

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