

Category 1 (ID:6099)

Amount Requested: \$3,600.00

## Autism Community Network

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## Summary

### Q 1. Project Name

Hawkesbury Autism Carers Care & Share

### Q 2. Brief Project Description (100 word maximum)

We want to provide an opportunity for parents and carers of autistic children to meet once a month for a social and support experience.

## Project Details

### Q 3. Please provide an outline of your project (250 words)

Families who are raising a child with autism spectrum disorders experience a range of stress related issues throughout their lives. From the isolation they fall into through not fitting in or knowing others who understand their lives, to the costs of therapies and the limited employment opportunities due to their caring role's demands.

Attending events where they can socialise means finding groups they are comfortable in, where they find common ground. It then comes down to whether they can afford extra expenses for 'luxuries' like dinners out.

The Hawkesbury Autism Carers Care & Share will bring these parents together at a local venue where they can briefly escape their responsibilities and financial concerns together once a month over a meal. They will meet others who know and understand what their lives are like, and share ideas and experiences that can help each other. The dinners will be hosted by two of our facilitators, from our Richmond carers support group and the Castle Hill support group, who have both offered their time for free. The supervision, promotion and administrative costs involved in our providing any project will also be donated by us to make this project more viable.

We hope this will allow local parents and carers to enjoy all the benefits of a social night out and the wealth of information that comes from an autism support group.

### Q 4. Which of the following ClubGRANTS priority areas below does your project address?

A4 - aged, disability or youth services

### Q 5. Who will your program benefit?

People with disabilities

### Q 6. Approximately how many local resident recipients will your project benefit?

10 carers each month, ABS2016 indicates over 320 families impacted by autism in Hawkesbury

### Q 7. Approximately how many local resident volunteers will be involved?

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### Q 8. Will ALL the ClubGRANTS funding you have requested be spent within the Local Government Area in which you are applying?

Yes

If not, approximately what percentage will be spent outside the local area?

### Q 9. What is the proposed commencement date and completion date for the project?

#### Commencement date:

01/07/2018

#### Completion Date

30/06/2019

## Funding Information

### Q 10. Can your project be broken down for part-funding? If so, how?

We can still promote it as a subsidised event or set a budget of less amount for each meal. It's not our preferred option as we know from experience parents who have to watch every dollar due to the cost of therapies and single income at best

would forego most social or self support options that cost them extra.

**Q 11. Will your project still be viable if you receive less than the requested amount?**

Yes

**Q 12. Has your organisation received funding from another club in the past 12 months?**

Name of Club	How much was received?	When was the funding received?	Purpose of funding
Club Merrylands Bowling and Guildford Leagues Club	\$3,450.00	2017	Cumberland Autism Active Kids
Club Rivers	\$4,950.00	2017	Cooking Club
West's Ashfield	\$4,950.00	2017	Music Therapy
City of Sydney RSL	\$2,750.00	2017	Sydney Social Family Days
	<b>\$16,100.00</b>		

**Does your project have any other sponsors? If so, who and for how much?**

No

**Q 13. Project budget**

Income Description	Amount	Expenditure Description	Amount
Hawkesbury Clubs Grants	\$3,600.00	Dinner x 12 x 10 carers @ \$30ea	\$3,600.00
ACN In-kind volunteers	\$1,440.00	IK Facilitator \$30/hr x 2 hrs x 12 sessions	\$720.00
ACN Admin In-kind contribution	\$600.00	IK Facilitator \$30/hr x 2 hrs x 12 sessions	\$720.00
		IK Admin \$50 x 12 sessions	\$600.00
	<b>\$5,640.00</b>		<b>\$5,640.00</b>

**Q 14. Please provide your organisations banking details. (If you have an auspice, please provide that organisation's details)**

Commonwealth Bank - Autism Community Network

**Account Name**

Autism Community Network

**Account Number**

10417253

**BSB No:**

062234

**Previous Funding**

**Q 15. Note to applicants: only complete this section if you have received funding over the past three years.**

Year Received	Amount Received	Purpose of funding	Report Submitted (Y/N)
2017	\$2,750.00	Sydney Social Family Days	N - program still running
2017	\$4,950.00	Music Therapy	Y
2017	\$4,950.00	Cooking Club	Y
2017	\$3,450.00	Cumberland Autism Active Kids	Y
2016	\$5,600.00	Fit & Friendly Sutherland	Y
2016	\$2,357.00	Ryde Arts About Autism	Y

		Club	
2016	\$5,300.00	Hurstville Fit & Friendly	Y
2016	\$5,300.00	St. George Art Club	Y
2016	\$5,300.00	St. George Cooking Up Life Skills	Y
2015	\$5,600.00	Fit & Friendly Sutherland	Y
2015	\$5,000.00	Canterbury Drama	Y
2015	\$5,300.00	Hurstville Fit and Friendly	Y
2015	\$4,800.00	Parramatta support group	Y
	<b>\$60,657.00</b>		

## Authorisation

**Title:** Mr  
**Name:** Steve Drakoulis  
**Position:** General Manager