

Category 1 (ID:4549)

Amount Requested: \$4,100.00

Autism Community Network

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Summary

Q 1. Project Name

Support for Autism Carers through Art

Q 2. Brief Project Description (100 word maximum)

According to ABS 2016, there 734 individuals on the Autism Spectrum in the Georges River. That means close to that many carers whose lives are dedicated to the 24 hour support of their family member. While the community provides a range of support options for children, there is little focus to do something for their carers. Autism is a very isolating condition and our aim is to help bring these carers together to enjoy each other's company and express themselves creatively through art. The project will be with the support of experienced artists at local Oatly 101 Society of Artists.

Project Details

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

Parents attend regular activities designed to support their autistic children. This program is to provide an escape for them for a few hours a month where they can relax and get creative in the company of others who understand them. The group will run once a month during the day while their children are at school, likely from 10.000 am to noon. A variety of creative activities will be set up on tables around the room, allowing them to choose areas of interest to get involved with. These may include drawing, types of painting, or mixed media. Volunteers from Oatly 101 Society of Artists will oversee the group to guide the participants, who may also enjoy a cup of coffee and a chat with other parents. Similar carers groups elsewhere have proven popular, however our aim is to provide here a place for autism carers to connect for friendship and some "time off" from their roles.

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

A4 - aged, disability or youth services

Q 5. How did your organisation identify the need for this project?

Carers of a family member with a disability are committed 24 hours a day to the welfare of their loved ones. Each day we see how much they struggle and how much it takes out of them. Providing them with a few hours where they can just relax together and be creative means a lot to them. This project is a direct response to requests from carers in our support network for something they can get involved with to allow them some respite.

Q 6. Who will your program benefit?

Families

Q 7. Approximately how many local resident recipients will your project benefit?

ABS 2016 estimates 734 individuals affected by Autism in Georges River LGA.

Q 8. Approximately how many local resident volunteers will be involved?

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Q 9. 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 10. What is the proposed commencement date and completion date for the project?

Commencement date:

28/07/2018

Completion Date

30/06/2019

Funding Information

Q 11. Can your project be broken down for part-funding? If so, how?

With a smaller budget we would look at reducing the art supplies provided or the morning tea options.

Q 12. Will your project still be viable if you receive less than the requested amount?

Yes

Q 13. 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
	\$16,100.00		

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

This will be a joint project between Autism Community Network and Oatley 101 Society of Artists

Q 14. Project budget

Income Description	Amount	Expenditure Description	Amount
Georges River Clubs Grants	\$4,100.00	Venue hire \$30/hr x 2hrs x 10 sessions	\$600.00
Oatley 101 In-Kind Volunteers	\$1,100.00	Resources \$15 x 15pax x 10 sessions	\$2,250.00
		IK Facilitator \$30/hr x 2hrs x 10 sessions	\$600.00
		Aide \$25/hr x 2hrs x 10 sessions	\$500.00
		Admin, promotion \$50 x 10 sessions	\$500.00
		Morning Tea \$5 x 15 x 10 sessions	\$750.00
	\$5,200.00		\$5,200.00

Q 15. 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 16. 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	N - program still running
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 Club	Y
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
	\$60,657.00		

Authorisation

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