

Up to \$2,000 for your unit

Unit Advocacy Grants Program 2026

The VLG is putting **\$30,000** back into VICESSES units in a one-off grants round. Apply for up to \$2,000 toward anything that helps your unit raise funds, grow, keep its members and build its standing in the community. Money that makes more.

\$30,000

Total grant pool

\$2,000

Maximum per unit

15 Nov

Applications close, 5 pm

4 Dec

Grants paid by

What a grant can pay for

Fundraising

Tap-and-go donation reader, QR donation signage, raffle prizes and permits, stall and barbecue costs, online donation page.

Recruitment

Campaign advertising, information nights, recruitment flyers and video, welcome packs for new members.

Leadership & capability

Non-operational training (leadership, grant writing, treasurer, social media), a facilitated planning day, design software for a year.

Advocacy & community awareness

Social media advertising, flyers and posters, banners and marquee branding, local paper or radio, open days, photos and video.

Retention & recognition

Unit polos and apparel, awards nights, service plaques and certificates, family days, kitchen and common room items.

Not covered

Operational equipment or anything VESEP would fund, items already bought, alcohol, running costs, payments to individuals, political material.

Apply online

vicessvlg.org.au/public/pages/grant2026

Closes 5:00 pm, Sunday 15 November 2026 · grants@vicessvlg.org.au

*How to apply and
what
we ask for: see
over*

How to apply

About 15 minutes online · One application per unit

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Read the Guidelines

The Program Guidelines and Rules (PDF, sent with this flyer and on the website) set out what can be funded, how applications are scored and the conditions of grant.

2

Agree the item, get a price

Settle the item, cost and expected result within your unit. Get a quote or firm estimate for each item and keep it; the panel may ask for a copy.

3

Complete the online form

Submitted by the Unit Controller, or by another member with the Unit Controller's written endorsement. The form closes automatically at the deadline.

What the form asks for

- Unit name, region, Unit Controller and contact details
- Amount requested (up to \$2,000) and the categories it falls under
- What you want to fund and what you expect it to achieve
- A cost breakdown: each item, the supplier and the price
- Available funds as at 30 September 2026 and what they are committed to
- A declaration, including the Unit Controller's endorsement

How applications are scored

40%

Benefit

How well it raises funds, builds awareness, recruits or retains members, and how lasting the benefit is.

40%

Funding priorities

Why your current priorities don't cover it, your available funds and what they're committed to.

20%

Value and deliverability

Whether the cost is reasonable and the item can be delivered as described.

If demand exceeds the pool, priority goes first to units with the least uncommitted funds, then to a fair spread across regions. The Board may offer part funding. The VLG Board decides; its decision is final.

Key dates

Mon 27 Oct

Applications open

Sun 15 Nov

Applications close,
5:00 pm

Thu 26 Nov

Outcomes advised

Fri 4 Dec

Grants paid by

30 Jun 2027

Acquittal; outcome
report 30 Nov 2027

If your unit is successful

The grant is paid to the unit's bank account. It must be used for the approved purpose and in line with VICSES policy on fundraising, donations, finance, branding and media. Advocacy means non-political community awareness: nothing funded may name, support or oppose a party, candidate, MP or policy position. A short acquittal with receipts is due by 30 June 2027, and a short outcome report (funds raised, members recruited) by 30 November 2027. The VLG uses what units report to make the case for volunteers across the State. Successful units will be asked to join as a Unit Supporter \$75 p/a

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