



# The Hon Ray Williams MP

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**Member for Castle Hill**  
**Minister for Multiculturalism and**  
**Minister for Disability Services**

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## MEDIA RELEASE

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### **2018 COMMUNITY BUILDING PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM APPLICATIONS OPEN NEXT WEEK**

Member for Castle Hill Ray Williams MP announced applications will open on Monday 7 May for the 2018 Community Building Partnership Program, unlocking \$30 million for community infrastructure projects across NSW.

Mr Williams said \$330,000 is available for projects in each NSW electorate, including Castle Hill, and urged local councils and not-for-profit groups to apply for the funds they need to deliver projects with social, environmental and recreational outcomes.

“Local sports clubs, charities, men’s sheds and Scouts or Girl Guides are just some of the groups that benefit from this program,” Mr Williams said.

“Twelve local projects received funding last year including the 1<sup>st</sup> Castle Hill Scouts who received \$12,000 towards a new wing on their hall, and the Castle Hill BMX Club received \$20,000 towards replacing the roof over their staging area” said Mr Williams. “There is funding available, and I encourage all eligible groups to apply”.

“The NSW Government has made improving local infrastructure a key priority and our strong economic management allows us to make this investment.

“If your organisation or club needs extra funding for the building, refurbishment or enhancement of facilities, then I’d strongly encourage you to apply.”

The Community Building Partnership program has awarded \$275 million in funding to 12,000 community projects since it commenced in 2009.

“This is a great opportunity to get the support your community group needs to make real improvements in the places you meet, train or recreate,” Mr Williams said.

“Take the time to prepare and submit your application so you don’t miss out.”

Applications are open from Monday 7 May and close at 5pm on Friday 15 June 2018. Applicants must read the program guidelines to ensure their club or organisation and proposed project are eligible.

For more information about the NSW Government’s 2018 Community Building Partnership Program, visit: the [www.nsw.gov.au/cbp](http://www.nsw.gov.au/cbp)