

## The Hon Ray Williams MP

Member for Castle Hill
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## CASH BOOST ON OFFER FOR LOCAL SPORTS CLUBS

A boost to grassroots sports development or upgrades to local sporting facilities in the Castle Hill electorate are just some of the projects eligible for funding, in the latest round of the NSW Government's Local Sport Grant Program.

Member for Castle Hill Ray Williams MP said this is a great chance to share in \$4.65 million in grants which will bring a huge benefit to the local community.

"There are so many clubs in Castle Hill that can take advantage of this opportunity to increase participation in sport and active recreation," Mr. Williams said.

"If you have a project that will boost training for coaches, promote grassroots sport or enhance existing facilities you should apply now."

The NSW Government's Local Sport Grant Program also supports local sports clubs in Castle Hill which play a critical role in bringing our community together.

Funding is now available throughout NSW with \$85,000 being allocated to electorates which are considered regional drought affected areas and \$35,000 has been allocated to all other electorates.

Acting Minister for Sport Geoff Lee said sport and active recreation can help tackle childhood obesity and build safer communities.

"The Local Sport Grant Program is now in its fifth year and provides benefits for social sporting events, the delivery of physical and mental health programs and nurturing the dreams of young talented athletes," Mr Lee said.

Sport's important role in helping rural communities struggling through the drought is driving the NSW Government's latest round of Local Sport Grants.

"With the worst drought on record, increasing pressure on NSW families, sport's ability to bring communities together has never been more important."

The Local Sports Grant Program closes on the 25 November 2019.

For more information visit https://sport.nsw.gov.au/localsport or phone 13 13 02.

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