

The Hon Ray Williams MP

Member for Castle Hill Parliamentary Secretary to the Premier and Western Sydney

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COMMUNITY GRANTS TO HONOUR CASTLE HILL VETERANS

RSLs and schools in Castle Hill are amongst a range of community organisations eligible to apply for NSW Government funding to deliver projects that improve veteran wellbeing and celebrate their important contributions to society.

Member for Castle Hill Ray Williams MP said the Anzac Community Grants Program provides organisations up to \$2,000 to commence, enhance or complete a local community project as part of a commemorative and educational program.

"The current and former servicemen and servicewomen in our community deserve to be recognised for their immense contribution to our country," Mr Williams said.

"Funding is available to individuals and not-for-profit organisations in Castle Hill, including educational institutions, ex-service organisations, community groups, local government associations, museums and historical societies.

"I encourage organisations to apply for a grant and show their support for our veterans."

Acting Minister for Veterans Geoff Lee said the program provides relief to community groups at a time when fundraising is challenging.

"Feelings of isolation are heightened because of this pandemic so we want to assist projects which enrich the lives of our veterans as well as increase the appreciation of military service personnel," Mr Lee said.

"Groups are also encouraged to apply for grants for public commemorative events including virtual services, projects which either enhance local historical research and education or preserve and display war memorabilia."

Last year, \$50,000 from the Anzac Community Grants Program was shared between 38 projects.

Applications for the grant program will close at 5pm on Remembrance Day, Wednesday 11 November.

For more information visit www.veterans.nsw.gov.au or call 1300 838 233.



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