Media Release

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COMMUNITIES ENCOURAGED TO APPLY FOR ROAD SAFETY GRANTS

Victorian community groups, local councils and schools are being encouraged to apply for funding to improve road safety through a Transport Accident Commission grants program.

Grants of up to \$30,000 are available through the TAC's *Community Road Safety Grants* program to help not-for-profit organisations and groups develop effective projects targeting local road safety issues.

Applications for this round of the 2020 grants program open today and close on 9 November.

The 2019 recipients of TAC Community Road Safety Grants were:

- Alpine Shire Council's Ride Like a Local program \$30,000
- City of Monash's pole-mounted solar LED variable message signs \$26,000
- City of Greater Bendigo's speed advisory trailer for school and activity zones \$23,000
- City of Casey's Safe Around School initiative- \$10,000
- Moyne Shire Council's safe speeds project \$20,000
- Wellsprings for Women's cycling and walking safely program \$12,000
- North Melbourne Primary School's active and safe travel campaign \$20,000

The TAC Community Grants program is part of the Victorian Government's 2016-2020 *Road Safety Strategy and Action Plan*, which seeks to increase engagement with the community about road safety.

Program guidelines and information on how to apply can be found at www.tac.vic.gov.au/tzcg.

Quotes attributable to Minister for Roads and Road Safety Ben Carroll

"These grants empower local communities to be leaders in road safety in their own backyards and address issues which affect their daily lives."

"By working with local community groups and councils to improve road safety, we're ensuring people can safely move around their local streets."

Quotes attributable to TAC Chief Executive Officer, Joe Calafiore

"Improving safety on Victoria's roads is a shared responsibility and community groups play a pivotal role in identifying and improving issues in their local area."

"Road trauma can have a far-reaching impact on local communities and these grants aim to empower community groups to reduce the risks on local roads."