

Media Release

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COMMUNITY GRANTS TO MAKE LOCAL ROADS SAFER

The Andrews Labor Government is giving community groups across Victoria the chance to receive grants of up to \$30,000 to address local road safety issues.

Minister for Roads and Road Safety Ben Carroll today encouraged community groups to apply for the funding, as part of the TAC Community Road Safety Grant Program.

The program gives not-for-profit groups the opportunity to work closely with locals to identify road safety issues in their area and implement solutions, by coming up with a project to overcome it.

The program covers a wide range of road safety issues – including speed limit, drink driving and education, as well as pedestrian, motorcyclist and cyclist safety.

Previous projects funded under the program included lower speed limit trials, council road safety strategies, community education programs, safe cycling routes at schools and improved pedestrian crossing safety.

The projects will be aligned with the Victorian Road Safety Strategy (2021 – 2030), which sets ambitious targets to halve road deaths and significantly reduce serious injuries by 2030 and sets the state on a path to zero road deaths by 2050.

Projects that focus on protecting vulnerable road users such as pedestrians, cyclists and motorcyclists will be prioritised.

Applications for the 2022 TAC Community Road Safety Grant Program are now open and close on 2 May.

More information about the program and how to apply can be found online at: <http://www.tac.vic.gov.au/about-the-tac/community/grants/community-road-safety-grant-program>

Quotes attributable to Minister for Roads and Road Safety Ben Carroll

“Too many tragedies happen on our roads, with far too many families feeling the pain of losing a loved one or having their lives changed forever due to serious injury – so we need everyone to play their part in keeping our roads safe.”

“Locals know their area best – so this grants program will give them the opportunity to address the road safety issues that matter most in their area and develop solutions that will boost safety on our roads and help save lives.”

Quote attributable to Transport Accident Commission CEO Joe Calafiore

“This is a chance for Victorians to have a say on making our roads safer. This grants program gives locals the opportunity to tackle road safety issues in their area – and I encourage all community groups who want to improve safety to apply for funding and come up with a project that will boost safety on our roads across the state.”