Media Release

The Hon Ros Spence MP Minister for Multicultural Affairs Minister for Community Sport Minister for Youth



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PROVIDING SPORTING CLUBS A CHANCE TO WIN BIG

The Andrews Labor Government is helping community sport clubs win with grants for new uniforms and equipment, training, and club development.

Minister for Community Sport Ros Spence announced applications are now open for the latest round of the *Sporting Club Grants Program*.

Clubs can apply for grants of up to \$1,000 for new uniforms and equipment, up to \$5,000 for training coaches, officials and volunteers, and up to \$5,000 to better club operations.

Previous recipients include Bacchus Marsh Baseball Association which scored \$1,000 to purchase new baseballs and helmets for their 'Kick-Start Program', Foster Golf Club received \$1,950 to undertake financial management training, and White Hills Bowls Club was awarded \$5,000 to develop a strategic plan.

The program is part of the Labor Government's work to make community sport accessible and inclusive, stimulate local economies and create opportunities for greater participation.

This round of the program is complemented by the *Community Sport Sector COVID-19 Survival Package* that provided \$50 million to more than 7,500 clubs, leagues, state associations and other organisations across the sector

The grants are part of the Government's \$1.2 billion investment in community sport and recreation infrastructure since 2014.

For more information and to apply for Sporting Club Grants Program visit sport.vic.gov.au/grants-and-funding.

Quotes attributable to Minister for Community Sport Ros Spence

"Sporting clubs are the social fabric of communities and that's why we're backing them with funding for uniforms and equipment."

"We know the positive impact community sporting clubs have and this is about helping and investing in them so more people can reap the rewards of getting active."

Quote attributable to Bacchus Marsh Baseball Association Treasurer Thomas Shaw

"The grant was a huge help for our club's Kick-Start Program and is sure to benefit the local community for years to come."

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