

The Hon Ray Williams MP

Member for Castle Hill Minister for Multiculturalism and Minister for Disability Services

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GRANT FUNDING TO UNITE CULTURALLY DIVERSE COMMUNITIES

Member for Castle Hill and Minister for Multiculturalism Ray Williams called on local community organisations to apply for up to \$30,000 in funding for projects that bring culturally diverse communities together and promote social cohesion.

Mr Williams stated that Unity Grants are great way to celebrate our diverse and harmonious community.

"I encourage all local not-for-profit organisations or local councils working in partnership with community organisations to apply," Mr Williams said.

Mr Williams said "the NSW Government is investing in projects that will bring people together in meaningful ways".

"Grants are an important way for us to invest in community projects and grass-roots activities that build community harmony and celebrate our cultural diversity," Mr Williams said.

Priority areas for 2017/18 Unity Grants are:

- The promotion of strong intercultural networks
- Arts and sports programs that target young people across all communities
- Partnerships and programs that promote employment, volunteering and participation for new arrivals and migrants, including programs focused on women, youth and seniors
- Supporting participation of people with disability and aged care needs from diverse backgrounds

Applications are now open until 15 December 2017, 12pm. For more information about Unity Grants, please visit: http://multicultural.nsw.gov.au/grants/unity_grants/

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