ClubGRANTS 2023 – Grant Recipients

Recipient	Project Funded
Little Wings Limited	Little Wings Children's Hospital Flight Program - Wagga Wagga City Council Our aim is to reduce the emotional and financial stress associated with traveling long distances to seek specialised medical treatment in Sydney and Newcastle. We are seeking financial support for 6 flights for children from rural, remote and regional NSW requiring treatment at the Sydney Children's Hospital Network.
Wagga African Association (WAFRICA)	Building culturally appropriate and respectful family relationships through dialogue The project aims to provide supportive forums and space for recently arrived migrants to discuss deep seated forms of abuse and neglect in the family. Often these vices occur because of silences due to cultural norms and through cultural appropriation. Through recreational and fun activities, this project will bring together relevant government & non- government agencies and the African community to talk about positive strategies to create healthy family relationships in the Australian context.
RSL& Service Clubs Association	Veterans Benevolent Fund The Veterans Benevolent Fund (VBF) is a public ancillary charitable fund providing financial support to a range of community organisations assisting veterans and their families in managing their health and life needs.
Dreams2Live4 Ltd	Dreams For Metastatic Cancer Patients in the Wagga Wagga Region: Dreams2Live4 is the only charity in Australia that grants life changing dreams to adults 17 years and over living with advanced cancer. Our mission is to grant the dream of every eligible adult in the Wagga Wagga region. A dream changes lives at a time when good news is seldom expected. It empowers the person to dream and find purpose again. It provides a much-needed distraction from cancer and gives the Dreamer' and their loved ones something positive to focus on.
Ashmont Churches Caring for Children	Breakfast Program: A large proportion of our student community consistently come to school without having eaten breakfast. To support our students and their families, staff, student school leaders and volunteers help to run the program by preparing food, such as cereal, toast and milo. Sandwiches are also made to provide lunch for students who come to school without food. The students who help in the mornings are also learning basic food preparation skills that they can apply at home. This program is invaluable to our students as it ensures they have all had access to a nutritious breakfast as well as encouraging them to come to school.
Carevan Wagga Incorporated	Pillow Swap Program: This project will be distribute pillows at meal venues during night service and/or giving out to clients by service providers, in exchange for a returned pillow. Disposal will be the responsibility of Carevan. This project will enable the recipients to feel more valued and to sleep with a clean pillow.

Ronald McDonald House	Sponsor Nights for Families In Need: This grant will directly benefit the 150 families who call us home each year, while their child is undergoing medical treatment or recovering at Wagga Base or Calvary hospital. Families do not pay a cent to stay with us and we rely on donations and fundraising for 65% of our running costs. On average \$160 covers the cost of accommodating a family each night, we are seeking 2 months (60 nights) of accommodation costs for a family.
Solve-TAD Limited	The Joy of Cycling for People with Disabilities in Wagga Wagga City: Fifteen people with a disability in Wagga Wagga City will receive an Occupational Therapy Assessment to design a custom-built bike that will enable them to ride a bike to help reduce social isolation and increase their wellbeing. The assessments are provided at no cost. This enables parents/carers or individuals to freely explore a safe and fun recreational activity without any pressure, relieving them of both financial and emotional stress.
Clontarf Foundation	Engage with Year 6 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander boys, for a positive and successful transition to high school:
	Mount Austin Academy will conduct a rich engagement program with the four public schools that feed into Mount Austin Hight School to ensure a positive transition to high school for the year 6 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander boys. Using Clontarf Academy mentors and principles, year 9 &10 students and Alumni these primary school boys will learn the benefits of the Academy and a why consistent high school education can deliver better life outcomes. An induction camp will be held at the start of year 7 2024
Vision Camp 2023	Riverina Vision Camp 2023: Vision impairment is a low incident disability, and together with the hundreds of kilometres separating the families of children with vision impairment it means that vision camps are the only opportunity for any contact with others who understand the impact of low vision and blindness. The children are aged between 11 and 16 years old. Our project is to cover the full cost of attending camp so no child with vision impairment will be disadvantaged due to financial hardship.
Pro Patria	Pro Patria (Wagga Wagga) Property Trust:
	Pro Patria Property Trust was created by volunteer businesss people, who recognise the urgent need to support specialised, advanced & approved treatments for our veterans and first responders and now seek support from the local community, corporate organisations and governments to purchase the Carmelite Monastery in Wagga Wagga to make it available for the Pro Patria Centre