

Community Partnership Grants Successful Applicants 2022-2025

Applicant	Project Description
ADEC	Art-Ability Darebin Art-Ability Darebin is a two-and-a-half-year project that aims to enhance the wellbeing and mental health of participants through art therapy. The impact of the recent pandemic has significantly impacted on the wellbeing and mental health of all, with more vulnerable individuals at even greater risk of being negatively impacted.
ARCappella Choir - Amateur Repertory Company Inc.	This project supports choral conductors to further develop their skills in choral conducting a diverse range of larger scale events and provide opportunities for collaboration with choral directors, singing group leaders and music educators including an annual Choral Festival in Darebin.
Arts Project Australia	Out and About project supports visual arts and developing pathways for artists with intellectual disabilities. An artist-led studio exhibition program in Northcote Studio will increase the involvement of Darebin residents to ensure that there is an interest and a market for Darebin artists' work.
Darebin City Brass	This project will support the costs of planning, supplying and running weekly rehearsals, concerts, educational opportunities, community engagement events and social events in Darebin. The project will reach out to local schools through music educators and school communities and to older adults by engaging with aged-care homes and similar organisations to offer opportunities for elderly Darebin residents to participate in live music events.
Darebin Hard Rubbish Heroes Inc.	The reLove- preloved project will help the community reduce its need to buy new and support a local circular economy. Skills-based workshops & events for participants to learn new skills and potential income-earning opportunities that promote ways to keep preloved items in use and out of landfill.
Darebin Information, Volunteer & Resource Service	The Urban Food Program aims to strengthen local food systems. All produce grown and harvested is shared with the Darebin community through DIVRS's food relief program where food is shared with over 200 households each fortnight, reaching more than 600 people.
Fitzroy Legal Service	This project seeks to provide critical and timely legal services to people experiencing marginalisation across the City of Darebin. The project will include a lawyer, working three days a week to provide a fortnightly outreach service to The Hub at Northland, working with young people in the City of Darebin. The project will also work alongside Your Community Health's - Your Health Help program which seeks to help people across Darebin's most marginalised areas access health and social support through a doorknocking and street presence program.
Gertrude Contemporary Art Spaces	Gertrude Contemporary is home to 16 subsidised artist studios which are awarded on two- year terms, including two fully supported studios for First Nations artists. The selected studio artists work on-site at Gertrude during their two-year residency. A key activity supporting these artists is Gertrude's annual

	Community Open Day, featuring open studios and a series of public programs including family-friendly workshops and artist talks.
Hands on Health	Hands on Health Australia via Aboriginal Health in Aboriginal Hands is a community-based organisational charity that promotes, supports, and celebrates the use of health and wellbeing services and programs to maximise social, cultural and economic opportunities for Aboriginal people, CALD communities, LGBTQIA+ and isolated marginalised and lonely people and community groups. The project plans for a continuation and expansion of the Clinic operations, services and programs.
Haven Home Safe	The project aims to provide Placemaking in Homelessness and Social Housing for Darebin residents. It aims to connect people to place and create social programs to give communities ownership and support design recommendations to make built environments more welcoming for people who experience mental health disorders.
Islamic Museum of Australia	The project aims to improve the health, wellbeing, equity and inclusion of at-risk Darebin residents by supporting a group of up to 25 participants who experience disadvantage and face intersectional barriers. The project supports participants to be job-ready by equipping them with in-demand skills.
Preston Symphony Orchestra	The Preston Symphony Orchestra present concerts of a high musical standard across their repertoire. It will also seek to increase participation and social connection of the local community through the shared enjoyment of live music and sociability by organising a season of four orchestral concerts in 2023.
Somali Australian Council of Victoria	The Somali community in Darebin identified a need for mental health and wellbeing awareness and education. This community is newly arrived and emerging and is confronted with resettlement and integration challenges. This project aims to address the unmet mental health and wellbeing needs of this community through engagement, education, and capacity building.
Speak Percussion	This project aims to expand and deepen Speak Percussion's programs for Darebin's young people over the next two years. Young people of especially CALD and First Nations backgrounds are introduced to a creative musical practice and given agency in the development of their own creativity and artistic ideas in a culturally safe learning environment.
Victorian Foundation for Survivors of torture	This project aims to empower and educate women from different backgrounds and to build their capacity and confidence. Women who came as refugees and asylum seekers will be connecting creatively and collectively through learning weaving or crocheting skills. The workshops will benefit their health and well-being and increase their concentration, confidence, empowerment, and social engagement.
Your Community Health	Eat Well, Live Well project will work with residents of Housing Choices properties in Darebin and Neami participants to develop and implement a program of food-related capacity building activities to increase their health and wellbeing, mood function, physical function and nutrition-related skill building.