The Hon. Gabrielle Upton MP





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GRANTS FOR CROWN RESERVES

Member for Vaucluse Gabrielle Upton MP announced that the NSW Government is offering \$4.1 million in grants to support asset, health and safety improvements on Crown land reserves across the State to help them recover from the impacts of COVID-19.

"Many of our local parks and public spaces are on Crown Land, so I encourage our local councils and Crown Land managers to apply for this funding which will help attract more visitors and events."

Grants valued from \$5,000 to \$150,000 (GST inclusive) will be considered for projects including:

- Upgrades to hygiene facilities such as toilet blocks, soap dispensers and hand sanitiser stands
- Procurement of equipment, signage and other resources to support COVIDsafe events
- Work, health and safety audits for reserves by qualified professionals.

Minister for Water, Property and Housing Melinda Pavey said "Many Crown reserves were forced to temporarily cease operations during the COVID pandemic having a significant impact on their visitors, events and income.

"Grants will support COVID-safe event delivery such as supporting costs associated with appointing marshals for events and the hiring of event-related equipment such as barriers and the development of online permits or ticketing systems," Mrs Pavey said.

Applications are open until 30 April 2021 with successful applicants expected to be announced in May 2021. For further information, visit: https://reservemanager.crownland.nsw.gov.au/funding/funding-sources/covid-19-

recovery-support-program.

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