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### Mumbulla Foundation 2016 Grants Open for application.

Applications are sought from community organisations, schools, charities, volunteers and individuals who make a contribution to the Bega Valley Shire. This year the Mumbulla Foundation will be contributing over \$75,000 to the community via its community grants program.

Mumbulla Foundation Chairman, Gary Potts said, "With the recent successful launch of its Gold Donor Program and Bega Valley Shire Council's decision to increase annual funding, the Mumbulla Foundation is launching its 2016 community grants round in a strengthened financial position. Accordingly it is expecting to make available more than \$75000 in grants to organisations applying for funding. These generous supporters and the funds raised through the annual Gala Dinner, assist the Mumbulla Foundation in its work promoting community well-being by giving to small groups for social, environmental and cultural activities within the Bega Valley Shire.'

The Foundation returns the vast majority of the funds it raises back to the community. Administrative costs are kept to a minimum. Gary Potts explained that no staff are employed by the Foundation, so a dedicated group of volunteer directors are responsible for running the business of the Foundation.

'Over the past 15 years a total of over \$800,000 in grants have been given to groups as diverse as SPAN (Suicide Prevention Action Network); Pearls Place Kitchen; Stonewave Taiko; Twofold Aboriginal Corporation; Southern Women's Group; Jellat Rural Fire Brigade; REAP by OzHarvest and Eden Preschool.

'Grants up to \$7500 are available to help small groups to deliver projects, run events and build networks and friendship which enable them to continue their vital contribution to the Bega Valley community,' Gary Potts said.

Applications for grants **open on 15 August and close at 5pm on 30 September 2016**. For information about eligibility and how to apply, go to [www.mumbulla.org.au](http://www.mumbulla.org.au) and find the Grants page.

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