



Youth Sponsorship Program Eligibility Criteria and Guidelines

The Purpose of the Youth Sponsorship Program:

To recognise, support and encourage the achievements of young people aged 12-25 years of age in our community who display commitment and achievement in their chosen field.

The Sponsorship Program aims to help young people participate in competitions, study, artistic, community youth leadership or sporting opportunities. The following categories of sponsorship are available:

1. **Youth Artist Sponsorship Program**, representation at artistic activities such as art, dancing, singing, theatre
2. **Youth Sportsperson Sponsorship Program**, representation in sporting activities at a State and/or National level
3. **Youth Community Involvement Sponsorship Program**, includes participation in an activity that develops capacity for youth leadership such as attendance at a youth conference, public speaking, debating, YMCA SA Youth Parliament

Who is Eligible to apply?

- Must be a resident of the Town of Gawler
- Selected to participate in a sporting, artistic or community leadership event. For the Youth Community Involvement Sponsorship Program you must provide a copy of your conference registration and be able to demonstrate a significant community contribution.
- Individuals aged 12 - 25 at the time of the event
- Be representing South Australia or Australia or of significant benefit for the community
- Have not received funding from the Council in the current financial year

Sponsorship Available:

- Representing South Australia: \$100
- Representing Australia: \$200
- Community Involvement: \$100

Note:

- **The sponsorship of one (1) young person for the annual YMCA SA's Youth Parliament to the amount required for participation and as set annually by**
- **YMCA, approximately \$500**
- **Where there are more than 5 eligible applicants from the same club/school/community organisation representing either interstate, national or international there is a ceiling of \$1000 maximum provided**

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Guidelines:

- Each person seeking sponsorship must complete an application form
- All applications must be received before the event takes place, funding will not be provided on a retrospective basis
- Applicants must be able to provide a letter of selection from the relevant state or national sporting/art/community body, association, institute, facility or organisation you are representing. For the Youth Community Involvement Sponsorship Program a copy of your conference registration is required.
- Applications will not be considered without the supporting documentation.
- Individuals must supply Council with an electronic photo and a brief report of the competition (max.100 words) within one month after the competition or attendance at a presentation ceremony held with the Mayor of the Town of Gawler.

Important Dates:

- Applications are reviewed quarterly.
- Four cut off dates occur throughout the year:
 - First Friday of January
 - First Friday of April
 - First Friday of July
 - First Friday of October
- Notification of the results will be received via email within six weeks of the cut-off date

•NOTE:

- ***Satisfying the criteria alone does not guarantee the receipt of funding due to a limited funding source and is subject to budget availability.***
- ***Applications will be considered and awarded on merit.***

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