

Youth Sponsorship Program Guidelines

The City of Unley Youth Sponsorship Program encourages achievement, growth, endeavour and wellbeing of young people in our community.

The Program supports young people 25 years and under who live in the City of Unley and includes three funding categories:

- **Youth Leadership**
- **Youth Project**
- **Representational**

YOUTH LEADERSHIP SPONSORSHIP

This category is open to residents who would like to participate in an activity which aims to develop their capacity for leadership. Individuals can apply for up to \$250 for activities such as (but not limited to):

- Participation in a mentorship program or professional development opportunity
- Attendance at a conference
- Participation in an activity that strengthens learning about social sustainability, civics, arts and culture or has an educational focus.

YOUTH PROJECT SPONSORSHIP

This category is open residents who would like to undertake a community project which demonstrates a direct benefit to residents of the City of Unley and features one or more of the following outcomes with funding requests up to \$250 per individual:

- Creates opportunity for social interaction and community connection
- Promotes diversity and understanding
- Increases community awareness of environmental issues
- Promotes wellbeing in the community
- Activates public spaces
- Offers opportunity for intergenerational skills sharing or celebration

REPRESENTATIONAL SPONSORSHIP

This category is open to residents who have excelled in their chosen field and have been selected to represent South Australia or Australia in a sporting, science, technology, arts, cultural or recreational event/activity in the following sub categories:

- Event/activity occurring within South Australia: up to \$100 funding per person
- Event/activity occurring Interstate: up to \$250 funding per person
- Event/activity occurring internationally: up to \$500 funding per person



IMPORTANT THINGS TO KNOW

- To encourage applications across the year, funding will be made available in two rounds:
 - Round 1, commencing 1 July 2026 and concluding on 31 December 2026 with \$5,250 available
 - Round 2, commencing 1 January 2027 and concluding on 30 June 2027 with \$2,250 available
- The total budget for Youth Sponsorships is \$7,500 for the 2026-2027 financial year.
- Applications can be made at any time, until funds are exhausted.
- Applications will not be considered for a sponsorship for a purpose or activity deemed to be:
 - The funding responsibility of the State or Federal Government
 - Primarily associated with and for the benefit of a commercial organisation
 - Primarily for the commercial benefit of an individual
- Applicants must be 25 years of age and under and must be a resident of the City of Unley.
- Only one application for sponsorship per person will be considered per financial year.
- An application form must be completed and received before the event/ activity is to commence.
- All applications are assessed by administration, and you will be notified of the outcome two weeks after the application is received.
- Successful applicants will be required to provide an acquittal for the funding received within three months of completion of the event/ activity.