



Discount Support - Free Tipping Fact Sheet

Council is committed to the responsible and sustainable management of rubbish and recycling in the City of Whitehorse.

The Discount Support - Free Tipping grant is a voucher based grant provided to eligible not-for-profit and incorporated organisations, clubs and groups to assist with the cost associated of waste disposal. They are determined through demonstrated need and within the available budget allocation.

Free Tipping Vouchers are used to dispose of waste through Council's Recycling and Waste Centre.

Please note: Organisations that operate regionally across multiple government areas that have an annual surplus over \$250,000 from the previous financial year will not be eligible for the Discount Support Free Tipping program.

The provision of a Discount Support - Free Tipping Grant comes with the expectation that grant recipients will take an active recycling approach to ensure as little waste as possible enters landfill. The Whitehorse Recycling and Waste Centre accept some recyclable material free of charge, and as a result, collected items should be separated for this purpose. For more detail, please visit the [Whitehorse Recycling and Waste Centre website](#)

In addition to the Eligibility Criteria detailed above, the following applies to Discount Support - Free Tipping Grant:

- Only **one** voucher can be used each trip.
- Each voucher equates to **one trailer** load of waste which does not exceed a one tonne limit.
- A **maximum** of **one** mattress may be disposed of per voucher, in addition to the one tonne trailer load.
- Council will not reimburse tipping costs already incurred.
- Vouchers must be presented to the Weigh Bridge Operator.
- Vouchers cannot be reproduced and if the vouchers are reproduced and or the allocation is exceeded, the organisation's participation in the community grants program will be reviewed.

- Replacement vouchers will not be issued.
- Once the overall Discount Support – Free Tipping budget has been expended no further applications will be considered.

Assessment

Applications that meet the criteria will be allocated Discount Support - Free Tipping vouchers based on:

- Demonstrated need
- Fair and equitable distribution of vouchers within the funding available for the relevant financial year.

The following identifies the **maximum** number of vouchers that will be issued as part of the annual Community Grants Program.

- Schools, preschools and kindergartens: Up to 4 per year (1 per school term)
- Opportunity shops: Up to 12 per year (1 per month)
- Scout and Guide Groups: Up to 4 per year
- Other not-for-profit or Incorporated Organisations, Groups or Clubs: The nature of the request and service to the community will determine the number of tip passes granted. In most instances the number of vouchers approved will not exceed 12 per year.

Council supports applications that demonstrate consideration of **gender equality and environmental sustainability**. All applicants are encouraged to:

- Increase community awareness and understanding of environmental sustainability
- Help ensure our natural environment is healthy and sustainable for future generations
- Build community capacity to live sustainably through efficient use of water and energy, including use of renewable energy, resource recovery and/or reuse of materials, and increasing biodiversity
- Reduce waste litter, and eliminate the use of single-use plastics.

For more information visit: www.vic.gov.au/single-use-plastics

For further enquiries regarding this grant, contact Council's Community Development Officer – Grants and Volunteers: Grants@Whitehorse.vic.gov.au