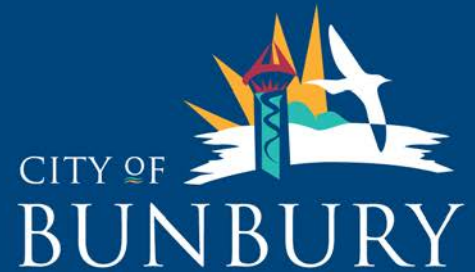


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## **Community projects and organisations to benefit from Budget**

A host of community projects are set to receive a cash injection after the adoption of the 2017-18 City of Bunbury Budget on Tuesday night.

This year's Budget has a strong focus on investing in the community to promote growth in the City.

The City will contribute \$3.8 million to sport and recreation, \$1 million to arts and culture and \$1.9 million to community and library services.

Key community projects include:

- Replacement of playground equipment and upgrade to Kelly Park \$318,000
- Additional family and accessible change facilities at the South West Sports Centre \$295,000
- Replace Bunbury Wildlife Park volunteer and staff facilities, animal hospital, toilets, feed store and preparation area \$214,000
- Remove liner and tile leisure pool at the South West Sports Centre \$195,000
- Construct and accessible ramp to the Back Beach \$160,000
- Implement Withers Local Area Plan strategies \$150,000
- Landscaping adjacent to Bunbury City Surf Lifesaving Club \$160,000
- Reseal Soccer Club car park at Hay Park \$100,000
- Upgrade facilities to progress toward goal of becoming the Most Accessible Regional City in Australia \$100,000
- Support club development \$80,000
- Support Koombana Bay Sailing Club's Community Sporting and Recreation Facilities Fund application to refurbish male and change room facilities \$50,000
- Develop a Bunbury Geographe Youth Strategy Plan \$40,000

Mayor Gary Brennan said the 2017-18 Budget offered more support to community-based organisations than in previous years.

"A range of community organisations will receive funding this year including \$20,000 to the Bunbury RSL for its 100-year commemoration of the end of the First World War," Mr Brennan said.

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“As well as \$15,000 each to the Clontarf Academy and Girls Academy to support our young indigenous people through sport.

“There will also be significant funds allocated to community organisations such as the Bunbury City Band, King Cottage Museum, Stirling Streets Arts Centre and the Anzac Day Working Group.”

A pool of funds will also go toward community events, arts and culture grants and place-making grants.

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