

Independent Review Queensland Government Sport and Recreation Funding Programs

For many years, Sport and Recreation Services, Department of Communities has administered sport and recreation funding programs to assist sport and recreation organisations, councils, schools and Indigenous organisations with capital works, governance, program development and delivery. These programs support the provision of quality sport and recreation opportunities to Queensland communities. In 2009-10, the Department will administer a sport and recreation grants and subsidies budget of \$79.4 million (exclusive of deferrals).

To ensure that the Department of Communities provides appropriate support and services to Queensland communities, an independent Sport and Recreation Funding Program Review (the Review) is being undertaken.

The Review will examine the current sport and recreation funding program mix to determine a forward approach in light of the following priorities:

- facilitate the achievement of *Toward Q2* targets (particularly Healthy – Cut by 1/3 obesity, smoking, heavy drinking and unsafe sun exposure and Fair – Increase by 50 per cent the proportion of Queenslanders involved in their communities as volunteers);
- enable stronger needs based assessment and allocation to foster community participation and inclusion;
- better target children, youth and families at risk of entering the child protection and criminal justice systems; and
- build the capacity of the sport and recreation industry.

You are invited to attend a local consultation session within your community.

The Review Committee will also seek input from organisations that have sought funding from the department in the last two financial years and from community organisations that would like to contribute to the review process.

If your organisation is unable to attend one of the consultation sessions and/or would like to provide detailed input into the review, the opportunity to complete an online survey will be available from 14 October until midnight, 3 November 2009 at the department's website:

<http://www.srq.qld.gov.au/Funding/Reviewoffundingprograms.aspx>

The Review Terms of Reference and details of current funding programs are available at www.sportrec.qld.gov.au/Funding/Ourfundingprograms.aspx.

*Further information on *Toward Q2* and the department's Strategic Framework is available at www.premiers.qld.gov.au and www.communities.qld.gov.au respectively.*

Dates and locations of consultation sessions:

DATES	TIME	LOCATION	VENUE
Wed 14 October	6 – 8 PM	Cairns	Mercure Harbourside 209-217 The Esplanade
Thurs 15 October	1 – 3 PM 6 – 8 PM	Townsville	Townsville Sports House 3 – 9 Redpath St North Ward
Fri 16 October	12 – 2PM	Brisbane	Lang Park PCYC Castlemaine St Milton
Sun 18 October	6 – 8 PM	Charleville	Newmarket Room Charleville Raceview Complex Partridge St
Mon 19 October	6 – 8 PM	Ipswich	Ipswich Civic Hall Cnr Limestone and Nicholas St Ipswich Central
Tues 20 October	6 – 8PM	Sunshine Coast	Events Centre Maroochy RSL Memorial Ave Maroochydore
Wed 21 October	12 – 2 PM 5 – 6.30 PM	Mackay	Quest Mackay 38 Macalister St
Thurs 22 October	6 – 8 PM	Rockhampton	Rockhampton Leagues Club Cambridge Street
Fri 23 October	11 AM – 1 PM	Bundaberg	Bundaberg PCYC 37D Maryborough St
Fri 23 October	3 – 5 PM	Hervey Bay	Hervey Bay RSL Club 11 Torquay Rd Pialba
Mon 26 October	6 – 8 PM	Mount Isa	Mount Isa PCYC 67 Isa St
Tues 27 October	6 – 8 PM	Toowoomba	John McDonald Function Room Clive Berghofer Stadium Arthur Street
Wed 28 October	6 – 8 PM	Emerald	Emerald Explorers Inn Springsure Road
Tues 3 November	10 AM – 12 PM	Gold Coast	Meeting Room 5 Nerang Bicentennial Community Centre 833 Nerang-Southport Road Nerang
Tues 3 November	6 – 8 PM	Logan	Logan Metro Sports Complex 357 Browns Plains Rd Crestmead