

Community Partnerships Program Guidelines

Purpose

The purpose of these guidelines is to establish the principles that should be applied when assessing and approving Community Partnerships Program applications to SA Water, and when evaluating the benefits of an agreed Community Partnership.

Principles

1. Projects, programs and events that SA Water partners with through the Community Partnerships Program will align with our vision of World Class Water Services for a Better Life and reflect good corporate citizenship.
2. All SA Water Community Partnerships Program applications will be assessed against consistent criteria. All partnership opportunities must demonstrate alignment with our vision.
3. Through the Community Partnerships Program, a range of benefits will be negotiated for SA Water and its customers, including promotion of water-related information and will provide opportunities for SA Water staff to have direct engagement with the community. While SA Water will not consider corporate hospitality (such as free tickets, lunches etc.) in its assessment of the value of partnership opportunities, employee participation in Community Partnerships Programs and events will be encouraged.
4. Only South Australian-based projects, programs and events related to local community or not-for-profit organisations will be considered for the Community Partnerships Program.
5. The Community Partnerships Program funding application limit is \$10,000.
6. SA Water will not consider partnering with:
 - a. individuals
 - b. any project, program or event related to gambling or events that promote the consumption of alcohol as its core activity
 - c. projects, programs or events that exclude any sectors of the community based on culture, gender, religious belief, race or disability
 - d. projects, programs or events where there is a real or perceived conflict of interest with an existing partnership, business or sponsorship activity
7. All partnered projects, programs and events will be evaluated annually and upon completion through the provided evaluation form. Evaluations of activities that fail to deliver the agreed benefits or are not provided within the required timeframe may not be considered for future partnership opportunities. Legally binding agreements will be in place for all Community Partnerships.

SA Water will not make charitable donations from the Corporation's Community Partnerships Program budget.