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Men's Sheds Grants now open

Men's Sheds across Mayo have been invited to apply for funding as part of the newest round of the National Men's Shed Development Programme (NSDP).

Funded by the Federal Government, round 21 of the programme will specifically prioritise applications with a strong health, wellbeing or safety emphasis, in acknowledgement of the impact of COVID-19 and the needs of Sheds in the recovery period.

Training and IT equipment will also be prioritised under the programme to facilitate increased connectivity among Shed members.

Senator for South Australia Andrew McLachlan CSC encouraged all Sheds in Mayo to apply.

"Men's Sheds are important initiatives that bring together local community members and provide support to those in need," Senator McLachlan said.

"Now more than ever, it is critical to ensure all Shed members have access to a safe and inclusive environment where they feel supported and a strong sense of belonging.

"This funding can assist the Sheds located across Mayo to deliver programs that support the health, wellbeing and safety of its members."

Men's Sheds can apply for financial support across the following funding categories:

- **Category 1:** Health, Wellbeing, and Events \$8,000 maximum
- **Category 2:** Shed Improvements \$8,000 maximum
- **Category 3:** Equipment \$5,000 maximum

Minister for Health Greg Hunt MP said Men's Sheds were vital in providing a space for men to talk and work on meaningful projects.

“This new funding round will provide financial support to assist in both setting up and maintaining Men's Sheds across Australia,” Minister Hunt said.

Since 2013, the Coalition Government has provided \$5.4 million to support men's sheds across Australia.

Applications for the current funding round close Friday 27 November. For more information, visit <https://mensshed.org>

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