

National Stronger Regions Fund - Round One

Project and Assessment Summary NSRF000149

Project and Proponent

Name of Applicant	Yarra Ranges Shire Council
Location	VIC - Belgrave
Name of Project	Construction - Multi-Purpose Health Hub - Belgrave, VIC
Brief Description of NSRF Funded Project	Construction of a Multi-Purpose Health Hub in Belgrave, Victoria. The facility will provide a one stop health hub for the local and surrounding communities. Services will include community health, emergency relief, early years, youth services and aged care service.
If part of a larger Project, description of larger Project	Not part of a larger project

Project and Funding Details

NSRF Grant Requested	\$3,835,000	Total Project Cost	\$10,420,000
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Value of Partnership Funding	Cash / In-Kind
\$1,000,000	Cash
\$3,585,000	Cash
\$250,000	Cash
\$930,000	In-Kind
\$820,000	In-Kind

Project Commencement	25 May 2015	Project Completion	30 November 2017
Employment during Construction	57	Long Term Employment	56

Summary of Analysis of Assessment Criteria

This application was assessed by the Department as value with relevant money

Economic Benefit	Disadvantage	Partnerships	Viability and Sustainability	Total Assessment Criteria Score
5/5	3/5	5/5	3/5	26/30

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Red = 1 and 2; Green = 3 , 4 and 5

Note: The score for Economic Benefit is multiplied by 3 in the Total Assessment Criteria Score to account for the weighting of the Economic Benefits Criteria in the Programme Guidelines.

Project Outputs/Outcomes (provided by applicant - excerpt from application)

Health care and social assistance plays an important role in the Yarra Ranges economy. The construction of the Health Hub will service a catchment population of 215,000 with enhanced access to health services and facilities for the local and surrounding communities. Access to the Belgrave Hub and its specialised services will improve health, community and knowledge outcomes within its catchment communities. This has long-term benefits in creating healthier communities, which in turn will lead to positive economic and social benefits more broadly. The output consists of a two storey 900sqm (approximately) purpose built facility with multi purpose rooms, consulting rooms, office accommodation, store rooms, kitchen, amenities, outside play space, lift and car park.

Assessment Summary

The application for funding of the construction of the Multi-Purpose Health Hub in Belgrave was assessed as value with relevant money with a final rating of 26 out of 30 following weighting for economic benefit as assessed against Assessment Criterion 1. The application met or exceeded the minimum benchmark for each assessment criterion.

The applicant has provided a very strong case to support claims that this project will contribute to economic growth in the region. The project will create 57 construction jobs and inject \$18.6 million into the Yarra Ranges economy during and after the construction phase. Another 56 jobs and \$3.573 million will be generated during the operational phase. Claims to support economic growth in the region have been supported by evidence.

Areas of disadvantage were identified as inadequate health services for the aged and families, unemployment and low median incomes in the region. The project will provide health services to the Yarra Ranges outer eastern areas and increase employment opportunities in health and construction with anticipated longer term economic and social flow-on effects.

The total project cost is \$10.42 million (cash and in-kind) and partner funding of \$6.585 million is 63.2 per cent of the total project cost. There are three funding partners and they are providing \$4.835 million in cash and \$1.75 million in in-kind contributions.

Project planning and sustainability documentation provided by the applicant supports the case that the project is viable and the applicant has the necessary experience and capacity to fund and sustain the project. Three risks were identified which can be mitigated through the Funding Agreement.

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Other Regional Programmes Applications from Applicant Since 2010

Funding Round	Project Title	Funding	Outcome
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CDG	Installation of Sports Field Lighting at Olinda Reserve	\$50,000	Successful
CDG	Belgrave South Football Club - Contribution to Ground Redevelopment	\$250,000	Successful
CDG	Launching Place Primary School - Parking Area Construction	\$160,000	Successful
CDG	Pinks Reserve Regional Netball Facility Court Shelters	\$60,000	Successful
	Warburton Mountain Bike Hub - Stage 1		
CDG	Don Road Reserve Sports Pavilion - Healesville	\$500,000	Successful
CDG	Queens Park Sports Pavilion Upgrade	\$75,000	Successful
CDG	Mount Evelyn Netball Club Upgrade	\$45,000	Successful
CDG	Yarra Valley Tourist Railway	\$3,560,000	Successful
CDG	Monbulk Reserve, Netball Court Surface Upgrade and Shelter Construction	\$15,000	Successful
CDG	Yarra Junction Sports Pavilion	\$50,000	Successful
CDG	Monbulk Soccer Club Facilities Upgrade	\$2,000,000	Successful
CDG	Warburton Recreation Reserve Upgrade - Football Posts	\$10,000	Successful
CDG	Woori Yallock Primary School - Car Park Construction	\$220,000	Successful

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RDAF Round 3	Lilydale to Warburton Rail Trail Visitor Node Project	\$300,000	Successful
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Selection Criterion One: The extent to which the project contributes to economic growth in the region

Summary(Score = 5/5)

Outcome of Assessor's Appraisal: The applicant has provided a very strong case to support claims that this project will contribute to economic growth in the region.

The project will create 57 jobs and inject \$18.6 million into the Yarra Ranges economy during and after the construction phase. Another 56 jobs and \$3.573 million will be generated during the operational phase.

Claims to support economic growth in the region have been supported by evidence.

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Selection Criterion Two: The extent to which the project supports or addresses disadvantage in the region

Summary(Score = 3/5)

Outcome of Assessor's Appraisal: The applicant has provided a reasonable case to support their claims that this project will address disadvantage in the Yarra Ranges region.

The project will provide increased health and social services to Yarra Ranges outer eastern areas and increase employment opportunities in health and construction with anticipated longer term economic and social flow-on effects.

Claims to address disadvantage in the region have been supported by evidence.

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Selection Criterion Three: The extent to which the project increases investment and builds partnerships in the region

Summary(Score = 5/5)

Outcome of Assessor's Appraisal: The total project cost is \$10.42 million (cash and in-kind) and partner funding of \$6.585 million is 63.2 per cent of the total project cost. There are three funding partners and they are providing \$4.835 million in cash and \$1.75 million in in-kind contributions.

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Selection Criterion Four: The extent to which the project and proponent are viable and sustainable

Summary(Score = 3/5)

Outcome of Assessor's Appraisal: The applicant's case that the:

- applicant is viable is very strong;
- project is viable is reasonable; and
- project is sustainable is strong.

Risks associated with funding this project can be mitigated through the Funding Agreement.

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