History, Culture and Stories Fund

Overview

This category aims to support projects that enhance and promote knowledge of Parramatta's history and cultural heritage. The fund encourages initiatives that document and interpret Parramatta's stories for the benefit of current and future generations.

Grant applications must clearly demonstrate the project's significance to Parramatta's cultural heritage and history. We especially welcome applications that explore and illuminate previously unresearched areas, enriching our collective knowledge and appreciation of Parramatta.

Category Objectives

Priority will be given to research projects exploring:

- ▶ Aboriginal heritage (e.g. traditional and contemporary culture).
- ▶ Social histories (e.g. aspects of everyday life, people who have made significant contributions to the community).
- ▶ Significant heritage sites and structures in the Parramatta LGA (built or natural environment).
- ▶ Contemporary heritage (e.g. living histories or current cultural trends).

Available Funding

Total Funding Pool: $20,000	Funding Cap: $10,000

Program Timelines

This program opens once a year. Projects must start after July 1st. Recipients in this category are required to:

- ▶ Complete their projects within twelve months of receiving funding.
- ▶ Submit a progress report at the halfway mark.
- ▶ Submit a Final Acquittal Report by July 31st of the following year.

Please note: Failure to acquit the grant will impact eligibility for future funding requests.

Examples of Activity Supported

Applicants should consider projects that enhance knowledge within the following key themes:

- ▶ Cultural Heritage (including Aboriginal, Colonial, Urban/Contemporary, and Multicultural).
- ▶ Food Culture.
- ▶ Arts, Culture, Events, and Entertainment.
- ▶ Outdoors.
- ▶ Social History.

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Examples of successful projects include:

- ► "From Canton with Courage: Parramatta and Beyond, Chinese Arrivals 1800-1900" by Jack Brook (LS 305.8951 BRO, available at the Parramatta Public Library).
- ► St John's Cemetery Project (stjohnscemeteryparramatta.org).

Types of Activity Not Supported

1. Purchasing equipment
2. Purchasing, repairing, or maintaining buildings and objects
3. Activities or research that has already been completed
4. Living expenses

Grant funds are not intended solely for administrative costs (such as printing or scanning) or for project development and presentation expenses. If included, these costs must be clearly itemised and should not constitute the total expenditure of the grant.

Supporting Documents Required

- ► CVs for key staff, no more than two pages each.
- ► If your application is successful, you must provide evidence of planned appropriate insurance coverage for the funded activity. If you already have insurance coverage, please attach your Certificate of Currency to the application.

Further Conditions

- ► Applicants must provide an itemised budget proposal (with receipts of project expenditure to be submitted at the acquittal stage).
- ► Applicants must supply Council with a digital copy of the research output or a URL link to the material. It is recommended, though optional, that applicants discuss opportunities for presentation, display, or archiving of content developed as part of their grant with the City of Parramatta Research & Collection Services Coordinator at **8839 3324**.
- ► A version of the final project report will be made publicly available through the City of Parramatta's Research & Collections Services under a Creative Commons Share Alike (CC BY-SA) copyright license (where culturally appropriate) and will be integrated into the Council's collections.
- ► Approved projects involving copyright must include the following acknowledgement: "This project was funded through the Parramatta Cultural Heritage and History Projects of City of Parramatta Council. The contents of the research do not necessarily reflect the views of Council."