



Government of **Western Australia**
Department of **Communities**

Age-friendly Communities Connectivity Grants Program Recipients 2025

Local Government or Organisation	Suburb	Project and description
Stream 1 - Funding to help local governments progress work to join the World Health Organisation's Global Network for Age-friendly Cities and Communities		
City of Kwinana	Kwinana	Project builds upon previous work, focusing on building upon a foundation of strategic planning and community driven priorities with the updating of priorities for older people. Focus on cross organisational collaboration to facilitate an organisational focus on age-friendly work.
Stream 2 - Age-friendly projects and initiatives		
Ardent Aboriginal Arts Assistance Community Inc	Queens Park	Connecting Through Art An eight-week free painting program for both Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal older people, and to include those Aboriginal people in Perth for medical treatment. Program has a focus on Aboriginal women developing painting techniques and skills, combatting social isolation, improving self-esteem and mental health, and building connections between participants. Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal art teachers will deliver program.



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City of Fremantle	Fremantle	<p>Connections Café ~ community conversations~ acquaintances to friendship</p> <p>A whole of community approach in supporting their community and an opportunity to make a difference in someone's life. The project aims to foster stronger informal support networks, increase opportunities for connecting with others through conversations, storytelling, and skill-sharing especially. Creating a space where older people can grow a greater sense of belonging and connection to place, by making new friends and sharing time in a relaxed neutral location.</p>
City of Wanneroo	Wanneroo	<p>Beyond Age – Challenging Ageism While Promoting Community Connection</p> <p>Project aims to shift public perceptions of ageing, reduce social isolation and celebrate contributions of older adults. Project will engage older people through a series of themed workshops and culminate in a public exhibition. Three interactive workshops exploring physical and mental wellness, cultural connection and online safety will be delivered.</p>
<p>Connect Victoria Park</p> <p>A collaboration between Connect Village Hub Inc and Bassendean 55 Plus Association</p>	Victoria Park	<p>Wednesday Wellbeing</p> <p>The programme will deliver three rounds of seven-week sessions, designed to enhance social connection, community participation, leadership, and health among older residents of the Town of Bassendean and surrounds. Sessions will run for two hours on Wednesday mornings, creating a consistent, welcoming routine. Each will include physical activity, a social component (e.g. morning tea), and an information session or creative workshop.</p>
Dongara Community Resource Centre	Dongara	<p>Memory Connect</p> <p>Project aims to reduce social isolation of those older people experiencing cognitive changes and dementia in a supportive and inclusive environment including using a dementia café model, intergenerational activities and community education sessions. A community event is also proposed providing a range of information to older people and their carers in the Mid-West region.</p>

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Environs Kimberley	Broome	Environs Kimberley Growing Together Project A series of four seasonal gardening events over six months is designed to connect older community members, reduce isolation, and celebrate the Kimberley's unique natural environment. The project aims to celebrate the knowledge, skills and contributions of older people, and strengthen intergenerational relationships through volunteer participation. The project aims to be inclusive of community and will also involve Aboriginal Elder participation.
GLBTI Rights in Ageing Inc (GRAI)	Mt Hawthorn	Our Voices Have Changed the World – more stories from LGBTI older people This project will specifically engage with older LGBTI people from either a First Nations or CALD background, or older LGBTI people who have a variation in sex characteristics (intersex). The project outcome will be a book of 12-14 stories that will inform and educate the wider community of the experiences of prejudice and discrimination many older LGBTI people have faced and celebrate their strength, resilience and perseverance.
Hyden Progress Association Inc	Hyden	Wednesday Health Ageing program A pilot series of regular activities for older residents of this region with a focus on combatting social isolation. The series will include appropriate physical activities such as armchair aerobics, a range of games, conversations and includes a healthy light lunch. Recognising transport is a barrier for community participation this will be provided.
LUMA: For her health and wellbeing	Joondalup	Steps Together – Joondalup Women's Walking and Connection Group This initiative is designed to address ageism, reduce loneliness, and expand free, community-based engagement opportunities for older women, particularly those experiencing disadvantage or social isolation. Participants will also benefit from increased physical activity which supports health and mobility, and from optional information sessions that boost digital, health, and community literacy, contributing to their independence and confidence.

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Radio Margaret River (RMR) Inc	Margaret River	<p>Eureka Moments: Wisdom on the Airwaves</p> <p>The initiative is designed to strengthen social connection among seniors to reduce loneliness. improve mental health and wellbeing, through age-friendly programming that celebrates their voices, stories, lived wisdom and intergenerational connection. RMR will collaborate with the University of the Third Age (U3A) to promote workshops, broadcast selected U3A talks and produce podcasts of key talks, making them accessible to a wider audience. Seniors will be invited to share personal stories about transformative “eureka moments” in their lives offering inspiration and insight to listeners of all ages and strengthening the cultural value placed on elders’ wisdom.</p>
Shire of Carnarvon	Carnarvon	<p>Carnarvon Active Seniors – Connect, Create, and Engage</p> <p>An initiative designed to foster social participation and community engagement among older adults in Carnarvon. The program offers a variety of activities, including intergenerational events, creative arts workshops, outdoor activities, technology tutoring, and volunteer opportunities. Activities are designed to help seniors build connections, stay active, and reduce feelings of isolation. The program activities will focus on a specific theme - Culture, Creativity and Active Living with the program culminating in a community-wide celebration.</p>
Shire of Merredin	Merredin	<p>Tea and Tech Sessions</p> <p>Sessions aim to create a welcoming and social environment for older adults to develop essential digital skills while connecting with others in the community. By pairing tech-savvy youth and community volunteers with seniors. The program will provide personalised guidance to help older adults use technology confidently and safely. Fortnightly sessions will include morning tea, conversation, and hands-on learning, enabling seniors to explore topics such as video calling, social media, online safety, scam awareness, online banking, accessing telehealth, and using digital tools for everyday tasks. Seniors will bring their own devices and receive one-on-one or small-group support tailored to their needs.</p>

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Shire of Pingelly	Pingelly	Connected Communities: Building Age-Friendly Pingelly Project aims to create meaningful connections and combat social isolation among older residents through education, social engagement, and accessible community participation. It is planned to deliver community education sessions to challenge ageism and promote age-friendly attitudes, establish regular social connection opportunities through monthly community lunches including the provision of dedicated transport services and foster intergenerational connections and community cohesion.
Shire of Wandering Wandering Community Resource Centre (CRC)	Wandering	Series of Activities The Wandering CRC will deliver a series of interactive workshops and gatherings designed to bring together older residents combatting social isolation in this rural community.
Shire of York	York	Intergenerational Event Series A community-led initiative designed to create meaningful connections between seniors and the younger generations across the Shire of York with a focus around sharing skills across the ages. The series will comprise four themed events each designed to encourage skill-sharing, reduce social isolation, challenge ageism, and strengthen community bonds. Events will feature collaborative activities such as music performances, interactive instrument play, community gardening, art/craft and letter-writing workshops, and shared meals.
Town of Port Hedland	Port Hedland	Seniors Community Programming Project Project provides opportunities for older residents to participate in a range of activities that foster social connection and a sense of belonging. This will include participation from the local residential aged care facility to enjoy age-friendly recreational activities and combat social isolation. There is a focus on intergenerational activities, and support for Aboriginal elders to support their cultural wellbeing by providing opportunities to spend time on country.

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Wyndham Aboriginal Youth Corporation	Wyndham	Connecting Older People Project is a series of free activity sessions for older people in Wyndham. Each session is designed to bring people together for fellowship and provide activities to increase community connections and decrease social isolation and loneliness. Both Aboriginal and other older people are welcome to participate. Session topics will be selected for inclusivity and appeal to a wide audience of older people and will include health and wellbeing information, games, music, and an opportunity for a “back to country” day.