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MEMBER FOR MURRAY



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\$2.8 million in grants to bring local heritage to life

Member for Murray Austin Evans has encouraged heritage managers or owners in the region that protect unique local heritage to apply for the new round of grants under the NSW Government's Heritage Near Me program.

"The Heritage Activation grants are for projects that actively encourage community interaction and participation with publicly accessible heritage items that are listed on a local council's Local Environmental Plan (LEP)," Mr Evans said.

"This program supports local communities in their efforts to conserve and celebrate their stories, places and values.

"I encourage all heritage managers or owners across the area to apply for this funding," Mr Evans said.

Past grants have allowed heritage managers or owners—most often community groups and local councils—to undertake conservation work, improve accessibility to their heritage item, add interpretation to a site, or reuse an old site for a new purpose.

Applicants can apply for support for their projects for amounts from \$10,000 to \$100,000.

Applications close on 20 April 2018 for projects that begin after 1 July 2018.

For more information on the Heritage Near Me program, visit www.environment.nsw.gov.au/heritage-near-me-incentives, call 02 9873 8544 or email heritage.nearme@environment.nsw.gov.au

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