Circular **053:04:10**

To: Club Presidents Club Treasurers

Cc: Club Secretaries

From: Toby Borella – Support Officer, Club Services

Date: 6 May 2010

Subject: **Victorian Volunteer Small Grants**

Action: Notify Toby Borella on 03 9676 6934 if your club wishes to apply

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For additional details on this Circular please contact:
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What are the Victorian Volunteer Small Grants?
Victorian Volunteer Small Grants of up to $5000 are available for Victorian organisations to:

- attract new volunteers from diverse backgrounds, e.g. Indigenous people, newly arrived migrants, people with disabilities;
- create new volunteering opportunities; and
- strengthen existing volunteering programs as a way of engaging new volunteers

Why is the Victorian Government funding these grants?
Supporting Victoria's volunteers is a key initiative of *A Fairer Victoria*, the State Government's action plan to reduce disadvantage and create opportunities for all Victorians.

A diverse and inclusive volunteer culture is a common feature of strong communities. Strong communities offer better social, economic and environmental outcomes for everyone.

The *Victorian Volunteer Small Grants* support the important contribution volunteers make to maintaining active and welcoming communities.

How does my club apply?
Over the next several months the Surf Life Saving Foundation Grant Seeking Unit (GSU) will work with each Life Saving Club to apply.

Each Club will receive a call from the GSU prior to individual applications being written, with full details of the program and to ascertain what you would like to apply for.

If your club would prefer to apply without the assistance of the GSU then please contact Toby Borella on 03 9676 6934 as soon as possible.

Grant announcements
Life Saving Victoria will notify each club whether their grant application was successful or not when notification from the GSU has been received. It takes approximately two (2) months from the application date for a response to be received.