



NetWaste
A COLLABORATIVE APPROACH

VILLAGE WASTE REDUCTION CHALLENGE

An initiative of NetWaste.

NetWaste is a collaborative waste management venture between 27 NSW Councils. Its initiatives serve a population of more than 300,000 and an area of around 317,942 square kilometres, which represents more than a third of NSW. Realising the potential benefits of investing in collaborative projects, especially for Councils with limited resources, NetWaste has a vision to implement cooperative projects to improve planning and delivery of waste management services across the region that are environmentally sustainable.

In recognition of the NetWaste Vision the 2013 to 2022 NetWaste Education Strategy has identified a new initiative as part of its Community Engagement Program: there is a significant level of community interest and activity with regard to waste management and more broadly to sustainability across the NetWaste Region but NetWaste does not have the resources available to support all of these efforts directly. The Village Waste Reduction Challenge has been introduced as a community engagement strategy, on a trial basis in an attempt to provide support and encouragement to small communities that have ideas on how they could improve waste management services or processes within their own communities.

Funding

A Grant of \$6000 will be made available to the successful applicant.

Aim of the Village Waste Reduction Program

The program aims to increase awareness about the increasing problems related to waste management and to reduce the amount of waste that is being sent to landfill.

Assessment Criteria

- Only clearly focused local waste reduction activities will be funded through this grant
- You will need to provide a letter of support from your local Shire Council
- Identify a 'group' of local champions from within your community to drive activities related to this grant opportunity
- Partnerships are encouraged
- Is the Challenge likely to become self- sustaining in the future
- Agree to work with NetWaste to establish links with our NetWaste Media Program as a way of promoting your achievements. This is not intended to be a difficult or complex process as NetWaste already employs a Media/Communication person who will manage this component.
- Good Value for Money.

If you require more information or would like to discuss an idea that you may have contact Sue Clarke, NetWaste Environmental Learning Adviser on 63938771, mobile 0400336508 or email ela@netwaste.org.au