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\$3 MILLION GRANTS TO REUSE OR RECYCLE ORGANICS WASTE

Member for Albury, Greg Aplin said the NSW Government has opened the Organics Infrastructure grants program, with grants of up to \$3 million available to reuse and recycle food and garden waste.

Applications are now open to councils, waste companies and not-for-profit organisations that have plans for projects to tackle the organic and green waste that ends up in landfill.

The Organics Infrastructure (Large and Small) grants are funded by the Waste Less, Recycle More initiative, administered by the NSW Environment Protection Authority together with the Environmental Trust.

The NSW Government is now inviting applicants to submit their proposals under three different grant streams:

- **Organics Processing Infrastructure** -up to \$3 million for infrastructure for food and garden waste processing infrastructure.
- **Food Donation Infrastructure** –up to \$500,000 available to not-for-profit organisations for equipment to collect, store and redistribute surplus food to people in need.
- **Product Quality** – up to \$500,000 for equipment to improve recycled organics product quality.

These grants have already funded projects that have made a positive impact on local communities. Five previous rounds have allocated \$45 million to 86 projects.

Mr Aplin said the grants gave councils and community groups the chance to fund projects that could make a real difference when it came to organic waste.

“From saving good food from waste and tackling food insecurity in our state, to building the infrastructure to turn garden waste into compost – these grants are designed to tackle organic food waste from every angle,” Mr Aplin said.

“This is a significant amount of money that will go to projects that will make a direct change to organic waste in our state.”

Applications close 30 August 2018.

The EPA is hosting a webinar on 27 June 2018 to assist potential applicants. For more information and to register for the webinar, visit the EPA website [here](http://www.epa.nsw.gov.au/wastegrants/organic-large-small.htm) <http://www.epa.nsw.gov.au/wastegrants/organic-large-small.htm>.

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