



2012/2013 State Bicycle Fund & State Black Spot Cycling Projects - Information and Conditions

Introduction

Each year the Department of Planning, Transport and Infrastructure (DPTI) provides funding subsidies for Councils to promote cycling through the State Bicycle Fund and the State Black Spot Program-Cycling Projects. Councils can use a single application form to nominate cycling projects for both programs. Cycling infrastructure projects will automatically be considered for Black Spot funding. Projects only receive funding from one of these programs and the conditions for each program differ slightly. After the assessment of projects, DPTI will advise Councils whether their application(s) have been successful, which funding program will apply and the amount of subsidy funding being offered.

Fund	State Bicycle Fund	State Black Spot Program - Cycling Projects
Introduction	The State Bicycle Fund is an annual subsidy scheme that provides financial assistance of up to a dollar for dollar basis for Councils to progress cycling initiatives in their local area. The Fund has fostered a long-standing partnership between the State Government and local councils to respond to Federal, State Government and Council strategies relating to encouraging cycling.	The State Black Spot Program is directed towards bringing about significant reductions in crashes by the identification and treatment of locations and sections of road that have an unsatisfactory casualty crash record or that have a significant crash potential. Funds from the State Black Spot Program are specifically available to Councils as subsidy funding for cycling safety infrastructure projects.
Suitable projects for funding	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• development or review of Local Area Strategic Bicycle Plans• construction of on-road bicycle lanes• construction of off-road shared use paths• construction or modification of median refuges or road crossings.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• construction of on-road bicycle lanes• construction of off-road shared use paths• construction or modification of median refuges or road crossings.
Subsidy Level	State Bicycle Fund Subsidy funding is up to 50% of the total project cost and Council is required to provide the remaining amount.	State Black Spot Program - Cycling Projects Subsidy funding is two-thirds of the total project cost and Council is required to provide the remaining one-third.

<p>Assessment Criteria Projects will be assessed on their ability to achieve one or more of the following outcomes</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • improved strategic policy, frameworks and actions for cycling • improved cycling safety • improved connectivity and coverage of bicycle networks • improved cycling access to significant destinations • value for money. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • improved cycling safety • improved connectivity and coverage of cycling networks • improved cycling access to key destinations • value for money.
<p>General Conditions for Funding (subject to review)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In order to accept and receive the funding offer, councils are required to enter into a formal funding agreement with the Minister for Transport (or his representative). • The project must be carried out as described in the application, or as amended by written agreement between Council and DPTI. • Bicycle facilities must be planned, designed and constructed in accordance with: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * <i>Appropriate AUSTRROADS, Guidelines</i> * AS 1742.9.2000 – Manual of Uniform Traffic control devices Part 9: Bicycle Facilities • Installation of Traffic Control Devices must comply with the requirements outlined in the “The legal and technical responsibilities for Traffic Control Devices” Transport SA, December 1999 • If the Project requires any alteration to (or effect on) a road or other asset that is under the care, control and management of (or is the responsibility of) the Department of Planning, Transport and Infrastructure (DPTI) you must seek the written approval of the appropriate DPTI Regional Manager prior to commencing any work. • Bicycle route marker signs (G8-14) are not to be used on Metropolitan Adelaide <i>Bikedirect</i> routes • Council accepts responsibility for and undertakes regular maintenance of the project. • When facilities are publicised, the contribution from the Department of Planning, Transport and Infrastructure is to be acknowledged. • When completed facilities are officially launched or opened, DPTI are to be advised in advance and the contribution from the Department of Planning, Transport and Infrastructure is to be acknowledged. 	

<p>Specific Conditions</p>	<p><u>State Bicycle Fund</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local Area Strategic Bicycle Plans must be conducted in accordance with: • DPTI Conditions for funding the development or review of Local Area Strategic Bicycle Plans (available through Cycling and Walking, DPTI) 	<p><u>State Black Spot Program - Cycling Projects</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The road authority for a project shall erect the appropriate 'State Black Spot' signs on each approach to approved State Black Spot Program sites.
<p>Application Details</p>	<p>The approved and current application form must be fully completed and it is essential that applicants provide all of the requested necessary to assess the projects against the established criteria. (*** Important – one form per project***)</p>	
<p>Lodgement of Applications</p>	<p>Applications for the 2012/13 financial year close on Thursday 5 April 2012. <u>LATE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED</u> All applications must be submitted to: Peter Watts Manager, Cycling and Walking Policy, Planning and Programs Division Department of Planning, Transport and Infrastructure GPO Box 1533, Adelaide SA 5001.</p>	
<p>Notification of funding</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Successful councils will be notified in writing which projects will be funded and the total subsidy amount. • Councils are required to enter into a formal funding agreement with DPTI in order to receive up front payment of the funding subsidy. 	
<p>Lodgement of Final report (both programs)</p>	<p>Regular periodic project reporting is required as specified in the funding agreement. Additionally, after completion of the project(s) and before the end of the specified funding period, Council must submit a final report that includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a summary of expenditure • project expenditure reports from council's financial management system and a schedule of expenditure • copies of receipted invoices/accounts to substantiate major cost items • photographic evidence of completion of the project (regional projects). <p>Any unspent subsidy funding must be repaid in accordance with the details of the funding agreement</p> <p>Final report to be lodged by 30 June 2013 To Tim McEvoy, Cycling and Walking, Policy, Planning and Programs Division Department of Planning, Transport and Infrastructure, GPO Box 1533, Adelaide SA 5001. Ph 8204 8848</p>	