**Shisha No Thanks**

**Community Engagement Grants (up to $3,000 each)**

**Expression of Interest**

The Shisha No Thanks project is offering small grants of up to $3,000 to community/non-government organisations to support community engagement activities that raise awareness of the harms of shisha smoking (also known as waterpipe, argileh or hookah).

**About the Shisha No Thanks Grants**

The Shisha No Thanks Community Grants Program aims to encourage community organisations to develop innovative approaches to raising awareness among the community of the harms of shisha smoking.

Shisha smoking is a form of tobacco smoking that is harmful to people’s health. It contains chemicals and tar, and in the long-term can lead to head, neck and lung cancer, heart disease and lung disease. More information is available at www.shishanothanks.org.au.

**Eligibility and requirements**

The Shisha No Thanks project is providing funding to community/non-government organisations to conduct community engagement activities or events (e.g., fun run, BBQ, sport competition etc) that focus on increasing community awareness of the health harms of shisha smoking.

Eligibility criteria for the grants:

* Grant applicant must be 18 years or older,
* The activity or event must include a component of raising awareness of the harms of shisha smoking, and
* Smoking of any form (including shisha, cigarettes, and vaping) is prohibited at the activity/event. Promotion of any form (advertising, sponsorship, etc) of smoking is also prohibited.
* Program materials (i.e., factsheets, merchandise) will need to be distributed at the event.

Priority will be given to activities or events that:

* Reach young people (18-25 years of age) from a culturally and linguistically diverse (CALD) background (desirable).

Requirements of activities and events:

We recommend that seventy-five per cent (75%) or more of the food and drink offered should be healthy.

Some suggestions to help you achieve this:

* Swap sugary drinks (such as soft drinks) for healthier alternatives (such as water, tea, coffee, fruit juice that is 99% fruit),
* Swap high fat, high sugar, high salt foods (such as fried foods, pastries) for healthier alternatives foods (such as wraps, salads, vegetable-based dishes, fruit), and
* Offer smaller portion sizes.

The Shisha No Thanks project requests that a photo of the activity/event is captured which can be shared on the project’s communication channels, and that an evaluation form is completed by participants of the activity/event. Successful grant recipients must submit a brief *Activity Evaluation Report* (2 pages) after the activity/event using the template provided by the Shisha No Thanks project team by 11/08/2023.

Successful grant recipients must conduct the community engagement activities between March and July 2023. Successful grant recipients must be able to invoice UNSW for payment via EFT (Electronic Funds Transfer).

**To apply:**

Applications must be completed and submitted to **samiha.elkheir@unsw.edu.au** by **17/03/2023.**

If you have any questions, please contact Samiha via email: samiha.elkheir@unsw.edu.au.

Successful applicants will be notified by 27/03/2023.

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| Part A: APPLICANT DETAILS | |
| Lead Organisation |  |
| Project Lead (Full name) |  |
| Position |  |
| Phone Number |  |
| Email Address |  |
| Organisation Address |  |
| Project Partner/s  Please let us know if you will be working with other services or organisations. |  |

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| Part B: COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT ACTIVITY/EVENT OVERVIEW | |
| Community Engagement Activity/Event Title |  |
| Summary  (Maximum 150 words)  Please give us an overview of your planned community engagement activity/event. |  |
| Activity Location  (Maximum 150 words)  Please let us know the intended suburb of the activity (and venue if known) e.g., Auburn Community Health Centre, Auburn. |  |
| Target Group  (Maximum 150 words)  Please let us know the target community, gender, and age group/s you are planning to involve, e.g., Arabic community, young people 18-25 years old, parents, sporting teams. |  |
| Information Sharing Strategy  (Maximum 150 words)  Please let us know how you will raise awareness about the harms of shisha smoking at the activity/event. |  |
| Finances  (Maximum 150 words)  Please let us know:   * How much money you are requesting (grants are available for up to $3,000) * How you intend to spend the money e.g., $200 on venue hire, $100 for social media promotion etc. |  |
| In-kind support (if applicable)  (Maximum 150 words)  Please let us know if your organisation, or any other organisation, will also be providing financial or other support for this activity. |  |
| Timeframe  (Maximum 150 words)  Please let us know when you plan to conduct this activity (e.g., specific date or time period such as first week in May). |  |
| Relevant experience  (Maximum 150 words)  Please let us know if you or your partners have experience in delivering this type of activity which strengthens the probability of success of this activity. |  |

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| Part C: EXPECTED OUTCOMES | |
| Participants  (Maximum 150 words)  Please let us know:   * How many people do you plan to reach through your activity? |  |
| Reporting and evaluation  (Maximum 150 words)  Please confirm that you will:   * Fill out a two-page evaluation document about the event, * Ask participants to complete an evaluation feedback form, * Provide a photo of the activity/event that can be used on the Shisha No Thanks communication channels (e.g., website and social media).   If you are unable to do these things, please describe why. |  |