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# ACT GOVT INITIAL BUDGET SUBMISSION

The Gungahlin Jets Australian Rules Football and Netball Club requests funding from the ACT Government to enhance our facilities, implement inclusive sports programs, and install lighting for night-time netball games. The purpose of constructing the facility is that it will serve multiple sports clubs, greatly expanding the recreational and sporting infrastructure of the region. This proposal aligns with government priorities such as health, community wellbeing, and social inclusion, supporting the overall strategic development of the Gungahlin area.

# Background

The Gungahlin Jets play a vital role in the community by promoting physical activity, community engagement, and personal development. Our programs are pivotal in fostering a safe and inclusive environment that encourages participation from all sectors of the community.

# **Budget Request Overview**

- 1. New Multi-Use Community Facility: \$3,000,000
  - Construction of a modern, multi-purpose facility that can accommodate a variety of sports and community events.
  - Designed to be environmentally sustainable and fully accessible.
- 2. Lighting for Netball Courts: \$200,000
  - Installation of high-quality lighting to facilitate evening training and games, increasing accessibility and participation rates.

#### Importance of Funding

- **Facilities.** The proposed improvements and new construction will provide stateof-the-art, safe, and welcoming environments that promote greater participation and help build community resilience.
- **Community and Personal Resilience Through Sports.** Engaging in sports helps develop resilience, confidence, and social networks. Our inclusive programs ensure that these benefits reach all community members, including those traditionally underrepresented in sports.
- Economic and Social Impact.





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- **Job Creation:** Significant employment opportunities during and after construction.
- Economic Growth: Local businesses will benefit from increased activity due to events held at the new facility.
- **Community Cohesion:** A central hub for community engagement will foster stronger social connections and community spirit.

# **Alignment with Government Priorities**

Our comprehensive plan supports the ACT Government's focus areas by promoting community health, enhancing social inclusion, contributing to economic growth, and aligning with environmental goals. The multi-use facility, in particular, represents a forward-thinking investment in the community's future.

# Conclusion

The Gungahlin Jets are committed to working with the ACT Government to enhance the quality of life in our region through sports. This funding will not only upgrade our current facilities but also enable the construction of a new community hub, ensuring the long-term growth and sustainability of our community's sports infrastructure.



