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### **FURTHER FESTIVALS AND EVENTS FUNDING AVAILABLE TO MULTICULTURAL COMMUNITIES**

Further funding is available for festivals and events that celebrate the rich cultural spirit of our State through the NSW Government's Stronger Together Festival and Event Grants Program.

Minister for Multiculturalism Mark Coure said local groups and community organisations can now apply for a share of \$500,000 through the program.

"Community festivals and events are integral to the success of NSW and provide a meaningful way to share in our state's cultural diversity," Mr Coure said.

"These celebrations bring the colour and vibrancy of cultures across the world to our local communities."

"Most importantly, they serve to break down barriers between people by fostering mutual respect and understanding."

The program has previously funded vibrant events such as Little India Harris Park Business Association's 2022 Deepawali Festival in Parramatta, the Australian Korean Association's Korean Festival in Strathfield and Buddha's Light International Association's Moon Festival in Willoughby.

Mr Coure said this funding is in addition to the more than \$1 million the NSW Government has already invested in cultural events and festivals this year.

"If you are an organiser of a community festival or event anywhere in NSW, now is your chance to apply for funding to support community harmony."

The Stronger Together Festival and Events Grants provide between \$5,000 and \$15,000 towards the running of celebrations held between 1 February 2023 and 30 June 2023.

The grants program is now open. Applications close at 3pm, Friday 28 October, with outcomes announced in early December.

For further information about the grants, visit [www.multicultural.nsw.gov.au](http://www.multicultural.nsw.gov.au).

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