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Grants available to make history

Heidi Victoria, Member for Bayswater and Parliamentary Secretary for the Arts would like to invite local community groups to apply for funding for projects that preserve and share stories from our past.

Grants of up to \$15,000 are available through the Public Record Office's Local History Grants program for projects that preserve and share stories of Victoria.

"The Local History Grants program is a great opportunity to share the rich and diverse history we have in the Bayswater electorate", Ms Victoria said.

"There are so many within our community that have important stories to share and I would encourage local community groups developing history projects to apply for a grant, so that we can capture these stories and share them with all Victorians", she said.

Projects that have been supported through the program include the digitisation and preservation of newspapers from the 1850s, virtual exhibitions and websites, filmmaking and playwriting, the establishment of historical walking trails and a variety of publications.

Local community groups include historical societies, schools, sporting clubs and special interest groups and they are encouraged to visit the Public Record Office website to find out more about the program and how it can support them to share their stories.

Applications for the Local History Grants Program are now open, closing on Monday, 12 November 2012.

For further information or to apply visit <http://prov.vic.gov.au/community-programs/grants-awards/local-history-grants>.