

Dixon Street improvement grant 2026/27 - design concierge request

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Before you start

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Before you begin your application, we recommend you to read the [Dixon Street improvement grant](#) webpage and [grants guidelines](#). An [Easy Read version](#) of the guidelines is also available.

This will help you confirm your eligibility and understand funding priorities and assessment criteria.

I have read the guidelines for the Dixon Street improvement grant program *

☐ Yes

Technical support

If you need technical help with the SmartyGrants online form, read the [help guide for applicants](#) and [applicant frequently asked questions](#).

We're here to help

We provide further support for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, people with disability and people from diverse cultural and language backgrounds.

If you need support or have questions, contact the grants team at grants@cityofsydney.nsw.gov.au or on 02 9265 9333.

To access translating and interpreting services you can [get help in your language](#) or call 131 450.

Eligibility

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Eligibility

To be eligible, an applicant must:

- apply as an eligible entity type and the applicant must have an Australian Business Number (ABN)
- the building must be located in an 'eligible area' described in the [application pack](#)
- the proposed works must be to a frontage visible from Dixon Street
- be the landowner or lessee with a letter of support from the landowner
- the proposed works will need to meet certain standards including planning regulations, certification regulations and the Building Code of Australia (National Construction Code).

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- comply with the general eligibility conditions of this grant program.

On the next page you'll need to provide a valid Australian Business Number (ABN). The entity type of your ABN must match what you select here.

Are you applying as an eligible organisation or with an auspice organisation? *

- ☐ We are an eligible not-for-profit organisation
- ☐ We are an incorporated association
- ☐ We are a corporation
- ☐ We are a co-operative
- ☐ We are a partnership
- ☐ I am an eligible sole trader
- ☐ We are a trustee of a trust
- ☐ None of the above

Trust deed

Upload the trust deed of the trustee applying *

Attach a file:

Is the building located in in an eligible area? *

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

The building must be located in an ['eligible area'](#) in the application pack.

Are the proposed works to a frontage visible from Dixon Street? *

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

Is the applicant the landowner or lessee with a letter of support from the landowner? *

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

Do you understand that the proposed works will need to meet planning regulations, certification regulations and the Building Code of Australia (National Construction Code)? *

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

Do you comply with the general eligibility conditions of this program? *

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

Not eligible to apply

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Based on your responses to these eligibility questions, you're not eligible to apply for the creative grants cultural infrastructure category.

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I understand that receiving a grant doesn't mean my project has City of Sydney approval. If my project needs planning approval or certification, I may need to provide the required documents before the grant can be approved by Council *

☐ Yes

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Design concierge - Start the process

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Dixon Street improvement grant

This funding program supports capital works that improve shop and building frontages on Dixon Street south with matched funding that contributes to:

- the visible renewal of Dixon Street (south) shopfronts and facades, making the street more active and attractive
- the creation of a 'chef's gallery' bringing the theatre of food preparation to Dixon Street
- the distinct character and identity of Dixon Street as the historic heart of Chinatown.

How to apply

This program has 5 steps in the application process:

- 1.Design concierge **(current stage)**
- 2.Grant application (future stage) - at the same time as step 3
- 3.Planning approvals or certification (future stage if required) - at the same time as step 2
- 4.Grant assessment (future stage)
- 5.If successful, contracting, payment and construction (future stage if successful).

For more detailed information on each of these 5 steps, see the 'how to apply for Dixon Street' section in our [Dixon Street improvement grant](#) webpage.

For any questions, please contact the design concierge team on DixonStreet@cityofsydney.nsw.gov.au

Application contact

This is the person we'll talk to about the application.

Contact name *

First Name

Last Name

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Position *

Phone number *

Must be an Australian phone number

Email address *

Must be an email address

I am the *

- ☐ Business/Tenant
☐ Landowner
☐ Other:

Applicant details

Applicant name *

☐ Individual ☐ Organisation

Organisation Name

First Name

Last Name

For organisations, Trading name or any other name you are known by publicly.

Project Title *

Site address (must be within the eligible Dixon Street area) *

Address

Address Line 1, Suburb/Town, State/Province, and Postcode are required.

The site must be located in an ['eligible area'](#) in the application pack.

Upload site photos *

Attach a file:

This can include photos of the external shopfront, building frontage and internal ground floor photos or plans

Which Dixon Street improvement grant type are you interested in? *

- ☐ Type 1 - Street level major works
☐ Type 2 - Street level minor works
☐ Type 3 - Upper storey works
☐ Not sure yet

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You can choose more than one option. To be eligible for street level major works (type 1) the proposed improvements must bring food preparation to the front window and be visible from Dixon Street.

Project idea

Summarise your project idea for the Dixon Street improvement grant *

Must be no more than 100 words.

Attach any supporting documentation (optional)

Attach a file:

Submitting your design concierge request

Once you submit this form, a member of the design concierge team will be in contact with you soon to arrange a meeting.

Do you require translation services? (Yes/No) If Yes, please specify in which language *

You'll find a 'Review and Submit' button at the bottom of the 'navigation panel' on the left hand side of each page. You need to review your application before you can submit it.

Once you have reviewed your application you can submit it by clicking on 'Submit' at the top of the screen or on the navigation panel.

When you submit your application, you'll receive an automated confirmation email with a copy of your submitted application attached. This will be sent to the email you used to register and submit an application.

If you don't receive a confirmation email within 10 minutes of submitting your application, it has not been submitted — please contact the grants team on 02 9265 9333 or grants@cityofsydney.nsw.gov.au