Surf Coast Shire Council

Surf Coast Shire is located in south-western Victoria, between 75 and 125 kilometres from the Melbourne CBD, and between 10 and 60 kms south-west of the Geelong CBD. It covers an area of 1,560 kms has traditionally been a place for holiday makers, with its spectacular coastline, scenic rainforests and beaches.

The Surf Coast Shire is among the fastest growing regional municipalities in Victoria averaging around 3.06% each year. Known as one of Victoria’s peri-urban councils, the current population of 33,456 is expected to grow to 45,438 by 2036.\(^1\)

SURF COAST COMMUNITY WELLBEING SPACES PROJECT
1 Merrijig Drive, Torquay 3228

The Growing Suburbs Fund will assist Bass Coast Shire Council to establish essential wellbeing services meeting a critical infrastructure provision gap by delivering allied health suites, office suites/meeting rooms for community/not-for-profit organisations, program spaces for community multiuse, supporting infrastructure to ensure effective operation of these spaces and integration with the multi-purpose Wurdi Baierr Stadium.

The project will provide critical facilities for Surf Coast’s growing community. It will create a unique offering of multiuse spaces in the civic and recreation precinct. People will access healthcare, connect, rehabilitate, exercise, work and meet in one location, in the heart of a growth area and close to schools and public transport.

Expected date of commencement: October 2022
Expected date of completion: October 2024

Total Project Cost: $9,250,000
Growing Suburbs Fund: $3,500,000
Other contributions:
- Surf Coast Shire Council: $5,750,000

\(^1\) Victoria in Future, 2019
You can find out about other Growing Suburbs Fund projects at https://www.localgovernment.vic.gov.au/grants/growing-suburbs-fund
For more information regarding these projects contact the GSF team at gsf@ecodev.vic.gov.au

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