

# Grants in Action in Our Community

## *Case Study*

## Gympie & District Riding for Disabled Assoc Inc

*Project Title:*  
**Sewage Treatment Plant**



Our sewage disposal is currently managed with transpiration trenches, however, these trenches are over 20 years old and are no longer working. We have enquired about extending the trenches but, following a site inspection we have been told we are required to install a sewage treatment plant. As this is an expensive exercise, we are seeking help with the funding of same.

## Project Outcomes:

The main benefit of this project is the elimination of any potential health risk, posed by the old septic trenches, to all who use our facility, ie: clients, carers, family, visitors and volunteers.

First and foremost is that there is no longer any lingering odour behind the facilities block and the ground there is no longer boggy. We have laid some new turf in that area and, although it is currently off limits until the grass is established, it is already looking better in appearance.

The only challenge was finding the new site for the sprinkler system. The original site was alongside an avenue of trees which would uptake the water, however, this would have impacted on the main trail which is used by both riders and carriage drivers, making the trail too narrow to safely traverse.

7

volunteers  
involved

2

local  
suppliers



Community Grants Program 2022/2023 category:

**Community Facilities**

**Amount funded: \$10,000**

**Category purpose:** To support safe, inclusive and accessible community facilities.

***"Many of our clients enjoy patting and feeding the horses after their ride. This project makes that possible again"***

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