Media Release

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Minister for Energy, Environment and Climate Change Minister for Suburban Development



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JUNIOR LANDCARE AND BIODIVERSITY GRANTS NOW OPEN

The Andrews Labor Government today announced \$400,000 in funding for Junior Landcare and Biodiversity Grants, to help kids across the state protect Victoria's environment.

Minister for Environment Lily D'Ambrosio launched the fund today, which is open to Victorian schools, kindergartens, childcare centres, scouts, guides and youth groups.

Grants of up to \$5,000 will be available to fund projects that boost biodiversity through the development, improvement or restoration of habitat for Victoria's native plants and animals.

Grants will also be available for programs that engage or educate young people to value and actively care for Victoria's natural environment.

The grants will encourage young people across Victoria to learn more about the environment through outdoor, hands-on activities.

The grants will be administered by Landcare Australia as part of their Junior Landcare program, in partnership with the Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning.

For more information about how to apply, visit environment.vic.gov.au.

Quotes attributable to Minister for Energy, Environment and Climate Change Lily D'Ambrosio

"These grants are an important tool for protecting our natural environment at a grassroots level."

"Young people across Victoria will get hands-on experience and learn about the world beyond the classroom."