

1000 Play Streets Pilot Project

Expression of Interest

What is a Play Street?

A Play Street is a residential street that is assessed as being suitable for facilitating kids' play activities in a safe manner. Play Streets typically involve a temporary road closure to facilitate play for a couple of hours on a weekend or after school, with regularity (e.g. monthly or weekly).

Play Streets allow a sense of freedom and exploration for children to ride bikes, play games, and make up their own rules of play in the public realm. Play Streets are small events that create an opportunity to meet your neighbours, spend time with friends, and play safely on local streets.

A Play Street is a simple way for you and your kids to:

- Enjoy fun, all-ages physical activity right outside your front door
- Build a sense of community and connection with your neighbours
- Experience unstructured, child-led play in a controlled environment.

The City of South Perth is seeking Expressions of Interest from residents interested in turning their street into a Play Street. We have received funding through the national 1000 Play Streets pilot project to support the establishment of two Play Street locations in the City of South Perth.

The funding requires each Play Street to run on a minimum of four (4) occasions, between December 2019 and April 2020. If you are interested in making your street a Play Street, please complete the Expression of Interest below. Expressions of Interest must be received by **5pm, Monday 18 November 2019.**

Expression of Interest (EOI)

- This document helps you understand what is involved in running a Play Street, and helps us assess your capability to deliver on the requirements of Play Street organisers.
- If your EOI is accepted, this is not a guarantee that your street will be approved to be a Play Street. There are further steps to take before your Play Street can be approved. Next steps are listed at the end of this document. We'll provide you with a toolkit and support you through these stages.

- Please be honest with yourself regarding your ability to meet the deadlines of the Play Streets Pilot. The project has been given a short timeframe which is out of the City's control.

Section 1: What makes a good Play Street?

Play Streets should be quiet residential streets, which can be closed safely and with minimal fuss or inconvenience.

Your first step is to make sure that a Play Street will work for you and your neighbours. Before completing your EOI, please go through the checklist below to determine the eligibility of your street for a Play Street.

If your street is unsuitable, you may like to approach a friend to host a Play Street in their street. If you can't identify a suitable street, contact the City to find out if there are any other Play Streets being proposed in your neighbourhood (~400m radius).

CHECKLIST FOR DETERMINING THE SUITABILITY OF YOUR STREET (tick if criteria met)

Street name and suburb:

Safety and traffic:

- My street is a cul-de-sac; or quiet residential street (not a major thoroughfare or 'rat run')
- My street is not on a bus route

Event and access:

- Not impeding access to schools, businesses or major intersections
- Easy detours/alternate routes could be implemented
- The proposed play activities would be small-scale (up to 50 people at any one time)
- The proposed play activities would not include children's rides, animal rides, amusement rides or inflatable recreational equipment

Street description and character:

- My street has at least three households with school-aged children
- It has usable space to facilitate play - e.g. street is not on a steep hill
- Greater than 400m from a neighbourhood playground



Section 2: ABOUT YOU

Name: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

Why do you want to host a Play Street? (150 word limit)

What experience (if any) do you have running neighbourhood events or play activities?

(100 words)

How much time per month can you give to this project? (50 words)

Can you participate in local network meetings for the 1000 Play Streets project? (approx. 1hr/month) (circle)

YES

NO



How supportive are your neighbours of having a Play Street in your street? (50 words)

NB: before becoming a Play Street, you will need to collect signatures of neighbours in support of a Play Street.

Section 3: ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF NEXT STEPS**If your EOI is accepted, do you agree to (please tick and sign):**

- Consult with your neighbours and collect signatures as evidence of their support
- Utilise the Play Streets Toolkit in planning and running your Play Streets
- Run a minimum of four (4) Play Streets between December 2019 and April 2020
- Enlist a small group of friends or neighbours to help run your Play Streets
- Meet with the City of South Perth and apply to WA Police for all relevant approvals
- Enlist two people from your Play Street to be traffic controllers and attend two day training (no cost)
- Participate in local network meetings approximately once a month
- Assist with project evaluation, including collecting baseline data through pre-event surveys

Signed: _____ **Date:** _____

Thank you for your interest in the 1000 Play Streets Pilot Project.

Please return the completed EOI to the City of South Perth before **5pm, Monday 18 November 2019**. Applicants will be advised of the outcome by Friday 22 November 2019.

Expressions of Interest can be returned via:

Post: Community Development Place Officer
City of South Perth Civic Centre
Cnr Sandgate St & South Tce, South Perth, WA 6151

Email: enquiries@southperth.wa.gov.au

