

COMMUNITY SKATE COACH

SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Information Pack | August 2026

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**FULLY FUNDED COMMUNITY SKATE COACH
SCHOLARSHIPS**

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SKATE CLUB EQUIPMENT PACKS
Skateboards, helmets, safety equipment and
resources for 10 participants

Welcome

Girl Guides Victoria and Skateboarding Victoria are proud to partner on an initiative that will create more opportunities for girls and young women to participate in skateboarding—while developing the next generation of female community leaders.

Ten fully funded scholarships will support passionate young women to build coaching skills, gain nationally recognised accreditation and introduce more girls to skateboarding in their local communities.

PROGRAM VISION

A network of confident, capable Community Skate Coaches who inspire participation, strengthen local leadership and help communities across Victoria keep girls and young women rolling.

Applications open: 17 August 2026

No previous coaching experience is required.

What the scholarship includes

Successful applicants, together with their supporting Girl Guide Unit, will receive a fully funded development pathway including:

- Skateboarding Victoria Foundation Coach Accreditation
- Online coach education
- Practical coach education workshops
- Supported practical coaching experience
- Mentoring from experienced Skateboarding Victoria coaches
- Access to future coaching and employment opportunities
- Membership of the Skateboarding Victoria Coaching Network

Community Equipment Packs

To create a legacy beyond the scholarship, two eligible regional Girl Guide Units will receive Community Equipment Packs. Each pack will include 10 skateboards, helmets, protective equipment and coaching resources to support ongoing local activities.

TWO CONNECTED OUTCOMES

The scholarship develops local coaching capability. The equipment packs help selected regional Units turn that capability into ongoing participation opportunities.

What we ask in return

Successful scholarship recipients agree to:

- Complete all coaching and accreditation requirements.
- Attend practical coach education workshops.
- Deliver free introductory skateboarding sessions for Girl Guides within their Area.
- Promote safe, welcoming and inclusive participation.
- Continue developing their skills through mentoring and ongoing learning.

How nominations and applications work

Girl Guide Units are encouraged to identify enthusiastic people from their local community who could become great Community Skate Coaches. This may include current or former Guides, Guide Leaders, parents, volunteers or other community members with an interest in skateboarding and a passion for supporting girls and young people.

THE ESSENTIAL CONNECTION

Nominations must be made with the individual's knowledge and consent. The applicant completes the Skateboarding Victoria online enrolment form and nominates their supporting Girl Guide Unit.

Program timeline

DATE	ACTIVITY
17 AUG 2026	Expressions of Interest open
3 SEP 2026	Online information session
SEP 2026	Expressions of Interest assessed
SEP 2026	Successful applicants notified
TERM 4 2026	Coach education and practical training
LATE 2026 / EARLY 2027	Community program delivery

Your pathway from interest to impact



Frequently asked questions

QUESTION	ANSWER
Who can apply?	Applications are welcome from current Girl Guide members, Guide Leaders and volunteers, parents and carers, young women from the broader community including existing skateboarders interested in coaching, and people nominated by a Girl Guide Unit with their consent. No previous coaching experience is required. Enthusiasm for working with young people and a willingness to learn are the most important qualities.
Do I need to know how to skateboard?	No. Existing skateboarding experience is welcomed but not essential.
Do I need to be a Girl Guide?	No. Applications are open to Girl Guides members and young women from the broader Victorian community.
How many scholarships are available?	Ten fully funded scholarships are available across Victoria.
Is there a cost?	No. The scholarship covers coach education, accreditation, mentoring and practical training.
Is there an age restriction?	There are two participation levels: - Applicants aged 18+ may complete the scholarship and once accredited and approved, lead activities independently. - Applicants aged 16–17 may undertake the training as junior or assistant coaches but must work under the supervision of an approved adult coach or Girl Guide Leader. Parent or guardian consent is also required.
What qualification will I receive?	Successful participants will complete the Skateboarding Victoria Foundation Coach Accreditation and associated coach education requirements.
What happens after I become accredited?	Graduates become part of Skateboarding Victoria's Community Coach Network and may be invited to assist with future Skateboarding Victoria and Girl Guides Victoria programs, events and coaching opportunities.

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What is the expected time commitment?	Scholarship recipients should be prepared to: • Complete the online coach education modules. • Attend two half-day practical coach education workshops. • Complete the Foundation Coach Accreditation. • Contribute approximately 10 hours supporting community skateboarding sessions delivered with Girl Guides Victoria. • Participate in mentoring and professional development opportunities. <i>Further information will be provided during the online information session.</i>
Will I be paid?	The scholarship focuses on coach development and community participation. Accredited coaches may be offered paid coaching opportunities through future Skateboarding Victoria programs, subject to availability.
Where will training occur?	Training locations will be determined based on the locations of successful applicants and are expected to include online and face-to-face sessions.
Can regional applicants apply?	Absolutely. Supporting regional communities is a key objective of the scholarship program.

Community Equipment Pack selection

Two packs will be awarded to Girl Guide Units demonstrating the strongest potential to establish sustainable local skateboarding opportunities. Selection will consider:

- Successful completion of the scholarship program.
- Commitment to ongoing local program delivery.
- Demonstrated community need.
- Organisational support and equipment management.
- Long-term community benefit.
- Regional impact and accessibility.

Ready to apply?

Applications open on 17 August 2026.

Complete your online Expression of Interest through the Skateboarding Victoria enrolment portal and help inspire the next generation of female skateboarders and community leaders.

[Community Skate Coach Scholarships with Girl Guides Victoria – Fill out form](#)



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