

2017 Community Investment Grants

In 2017 BNDCE is offering one round of community investment grants and encourages community groups to apply. The grants program will be open as follows:

	Open	Close
Round 1	August 1	30 September

BNDCE strongly encourage your representative to contact one of the BNDCE committee to discuss their grant application. Applications will be more favourably considered where 10 or more referrals are included.

Refer to the enterprise website at www.bndce.com.au for full grant guidelines and application form.

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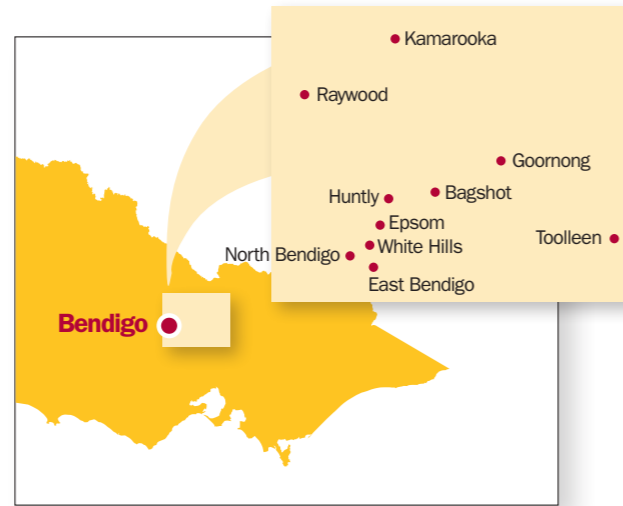
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Major funding for Discovery Centre Science project at White Hills Primary School

BNDCE contributed \$10,000 to the Discovery Centre to provide the White Hills Primary School Community with a STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering & Mathematics) package.

The Discovery Centre worked in conjunction with White Hills Primary School and LaTrobe University to deliver introductory science sessions at the school.

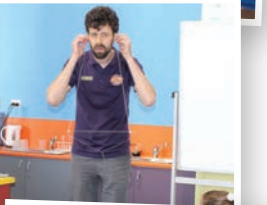
LaTrobe University has partnered with the Discovery Centre to provide pre-service teachers the opportunity to work in the school environment. Initial sessions occurred at the school followed by a Discovery Centre visit with a lab education session.

Every White Hills Primary School Student has been included in this science experience in 2017 thanks to the BNDCE funding.

Observation of a Grade 2 Class experience around sound included students developing language such as vibration and ear drums. The students participated in fantastic experiments using containers with strings where the sound became greater the larger container, using metal coat hangers on strings and tuning forks in water. The students were highly engaged and enthusiastic about the hands on activities.

Another session observed was around gravity where students built their own flying craft from everyday items and had an opportunity to fly them in a wind tunnel. The sessions for older students included circuits and marble works.

All students who attended the Discovery Centre also had the opportunity to use the interactive floor displays and enter the planetarium.



\$200,000 grants milestone!

The recent community investment grants round funded \$34,000 towards local community groups and projects and included two major grants of \$10,000.

Following this grants round, the total funding of community projects in the Bendigo Northern corridor now exceeds \$200,000.

148 projects totalling \$208,081.35 have been funded across a range of sporting and community groups including:

- 6 major projects totalling \$74,200
- 15 Defibrillators to sporting clubs & community groups totalling \$29,950

The enterprise is proud to continue to support the communities in the Bendigo Northern corridor and thank their partners: Bendigo Bank, Viewpoint Huntly and Bendigo Telco for their ongoing support.



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Community Investment Grants

Funds for the community investment grants program are generated through customers linking their banking and phone business (held with Bendigo Bank and Bendigo Telco) to the community enterprise and the Bank and Telco sharing some of their profits from these accounts. The developers of Viewpoint Huntly also contribute to our pool of grants funds, each time a block at Viewpoint Huntly is purchased.

All three supporters contribute, at no cost to customers.

For more information on the grants program or to read about further grants stories visit the enterprise website at www.bndce.com.au

November 2015

Club House Maintenance

BNDCE has provided funding of \$1,000 to allow the Bendigo Obedience Dog Club to paint and renovate their club house building.

The improvements make the area more attractive for club members and the general public while meeting council requirements.



to assist community members in selecting fire resistant plants and landscaping strategies for their own properties.

BNDCE provided \$2,000 to fund this initiative and enable the brigade to realise this part of their community fire prevention and safety strategy.



Developing Junior Watchers in our Community

Bendigo Northern District Community Enterprise has provided \$500 to assist the Epsom Ascot Neighbourhood Watch Committee to bring the Junior Watcher Activity book and program to the local primary schools.

This booklet is an educational tool to increase children's awareness and understanding of neighbourhood safety.



Enabling remote broadcasting!

Fresh FM was the worthy recipient of a recent grant for \$800 allowing local football broadcast in remote locations.

BNDCE was pleased to assist Fresh FM with the grant to assist the station to broadcast from football grounds where there is no fixed phone line. The new internet card increases their ability to broadcast from a wider range of locations.



Fresh FM 101.5 broadcasts from Bendigo, Heathcote, Loddon Valley, Maryborough-Castlemaine, North Central leagues which offers a great service to the greater Bendigo community and districts allowing more people to keep in touch with local footy.

May 2016

Equipment for future stars!

The Huntly Junior Football club approached BNDCE for funding to assist with the purchase of additional safety and training equipment.

The grant has enabled the club to update safety equipment as well as purchase training equipment. The purchase of a new stretcher and neck collar ensures safety of injured players. The new tackle and ruck bags allow players to safely practise these important game skills.



A new fire resistant demonstration garden!

The Huntly Fire Brigade provides an important community service to our local area. The brigade are thrilled to have recently opened the new purpose built fire station on the Midland Highway between Huntly and Epsom.

As part of the new development the brigade had a vision to construct a fire resistant community demonstration garden that can be used

November 2016

Light up our heroes!

In 2013 BNDCE provided funding to assist the Huntly Memorial Hall Committee to restore the magnificent wood carved statues in the garden of remembrance. Following this previous project BNDCE have provided \$2,500 to illuminate the statues making them visible at night thus enhancing their appearance and increasing public awareness.

The statues are an important reminder of the lives lost by our local men and women that must not be forgotten.

BNDCE are a proud supporter of the annual Anzac Day Service hosted by the Huntly Memorial Hall Committee in Huntly.



Education for Sports Clubs

Sport & Life Training (SALT) deliver quality education, culture and leadership sessions into sporting clubs. SALT uses trained and experienced teachers who understand the context of sporting club culture. Because society has a range of issues – such as drug and alcohol abuse, violence, discrimination and mental illness within our culture, SALT approached BNDCE for funding to offer education to sporting clubs in our corridor.

BNDCE provided \$2,000 to fund this important initiative to assist our young sportspeople navigate some of these social issues.

The Bendigo Northern Flames Junior Netball club recently participated in SALT's Strong is the new Pretty workshop. Examples of women in the AFLW competition were used to inspire strength and good decision making.



Uniforms for the team!

BNDCE have helped Special Olympics Bendigo to develop a sense of belonging by providing \$1,000 for uniforms and accessories to strengthen that feeling of being part of a team.

The grant allowed the purchase of tracksuits and accessories for the Special Olympics Bendigo Swimming and Ten Pen Bowling athletes. The dragon design was incorporated on the tracksuits to represent Bendigo.



Back to Bagshot!

Historically reunions are an important aspect of community and culture. Bagshot recently hosted a "back to" to celebrate 150 years at the Bagshot School No 852 (opened in 1867). Former pupils, past and present residents attended the day with displays of memorabilia and BBQ lunch provided.

Photographs of past pupils present on the day were taken as a record of attendance.

BNDCE provided \$868 to fund a new microphone and assist with catering on the day.



White Hills Community Open Air Cinema

Schools play an important purpose in bringing communities together in a positive and social environment.

Funding of \$500 was provided by BNDCE to support White Hills Primary School to host an affordable Open Air Cinema Night helping to bring families together.



Junior Citizenship Award

In 2016, Epsom Primary School introduced a new Junior Citizenship Award to recognise emerging leaders in the junior school.

The school is focusing on providing opportunities for junior students to learn new leadership and life skills and to inspire them to be part of their community and actively seek to make a positive change to the future.

To allow for ongoing recognition of these junior leaders, the primary school approached BNDCE to fund the purchase of a new honor board which will be placed in the foyer of the new school.



A new Indigenous garden

The Huntly Primary School applied for a grant to re-develop the indigenous garden to create a useful and meaningful space which can be used to connect and come together with our Koori community.

The garden will provide a large meeting place with socially interactive seating. The garden will also incorporate some artwork around the Koori culture.

November 2016 Round of Community Investment Grants

The November 2016 successful community grant applicants were:

- **Huntly Hall Committee**
\$2,500 to install lighting for the statues in the garden of remembrance.
- **Sport and Life Training (SALT)**
\$2,000 to run sport and life training programs with sports clubs in the Bendigo Northern corridor.
- **Special Olympics Bendigo**
\$1,000 to purchase team uniforms for the athletes.
- **Bagshot Hall Committee**
\$868.95 to purchase a new microphone and support the upcoming "Back to Bagshot".
- **White Hills Primary School**
\$500 to assist with the community outdoor cinema night.
- **Epsom Primary School**
\$1,000 to purchase a new Junior Citizenship Award Honour Board.
- **Huntly Primary School**
\$2,000 to build a Koori Garden and outdoor area.

November 2016 Defibrillator Grants

BNDCE have now funded 15 lifesaving defibrillators in the Bendigo Northern corridor with the most recent recipients:

- **Goornong Swimming Pool**
defibrillator (part-funding) \$2,000
- **Holy Rosary Community Centre**
defibrillator \$2,550

2016 Major Grants

The enterprise is thrilled to provide 2 major funding grants:

- **Bendigo Discovery Centre**
\$10,000 to provide the White Hills Primary School Community a Science and Education package.
- **Epsom Skate Park (COGB)** - \$10,000 to fund detailed Skate Park Designs for the proposed Epsom Skate Park.