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LOCAL COMMUNITIES CONTINUE TO BENEFIT FROM THE BYLONG PROJECT COMMUNITY INVESTMENT FUND

KEPCO Bylong Australia recently announced the successful recipients of Round 3 of the 2017 Bylong Project Community Investment Fund allocations.

KEPCO Bylong Australia Chief Operating Officer Bill Vatovec said that KEPCO Bylong Australia was delighted to continue to support great local initiatives throughout the Mid-Western Council Region including Kandos, Rylstone and Mudgee.

"KEPCO is delighted to announce a number of worthy recipients from our Community Grants including Rylstone Rural Fire Service, Gulgong Show, Kandos Public School P&C, Mudgee Show Society and the Kandos RSL."

"In this round we have contributed more than \$26,000 in funding to local organisations, schools, events, clubs and charities."

"We are also pleased to announce that KEPCO have offered \$10,000 to the Kids and Carers Support Group Kandos / Rylstone to aid the completion of the community house."

Mr Vatovec said that KEPCO Bylong Australia was grateful for the opportunity to provide assistance to the local community.

"I encourage local community groups who need financial assistance for charitable projects and community initiatives to submit an application to Round 1 of the Community Investment Project for 2018, which will be accepting applications from **2 February 2018**."

"To date we have allocated more than \$400,000 in funding to local community organisations and – if the project is approved – we will provide a further \$9 million through the Voluntary Planning Agreement with Mid-Western Regional Council to fund local infrastructure and services."

Please find a full list of Round 3 recipients below.

ABOUT THE BYLONG COAL PROJECT:

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| Organisation | Summary of Request | Amount |
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| Rylstone Kandos & District Volunteer Search & Rescue | UHS Radio equipment | \$1,044.00 |
| Rylstone Rural Fire Service | 12 new firefighting helmets | \$3,000.00 |
| Mudgee District Tennis | Family fun day (linked to Relay for Life) | \$3,000.00 |
| Harley Museum | Preservation and restoration of vehicles as part of a local youth program | \$2,900.00 |
| Community Charity Shop | Signage for shop front | \$3,000.00 |
| Cooyal Park Trust | Purchase and installation of a water tank and fittings | \$3,000.00 |
| Kandos Public School P&C Association | Installation of shade sail and special needs swing infrastructure | \$3,000.00 |
| Mudgee Show Society | Mudgee Showgirl 2018 | \$1,100.00 |
| Gulgong Show Society | Gulgong Show | \$3,000.00 |
| Kandos RSL | Upgrade of PA system | \$3,000.00 |
| | TOTAL | \$26,044.00 |

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