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Thanks a million to Moolarben Coal

Yancoal Australia's Moolarben operation has hit \$1 million in community grants to help support local community groups across Moolarben and the wider region since 2010.

For over seven years, Moolarben Coal has been donating funds as part of its Community Support Program to local sporting, educational, cultural and environmental groups.

Moolarben Coal General Manager Steve Archinal acknowledged the huge boost the program has given the community.

"Reaching this \$1 million milestone is fantastic for the Moolarben people and community.

"Local community groups are the backbone of any community. It always pleases me to see the difference even a small amount can do for a community organisation," said Steve.

This year alone, 31 community organisations have been granted over \$80,000 for local initiatives and projects. The donations have been used to run community events, purchase new technology and equipment and hold educational days for young people in the Mid-Western Region.

Some of the local organisations who have benefited from this funding include the Mudgee Cycle Club, Lifeskills Plus for the purchase of soft play equipment, the Sculptures in the Garden event and Gulgong Polocross Club to support a water infrastructure project.

"We are proud to be helping build a stronger and better Moolarben community through the support of such a diverse range of organisations," said Steve.

The Yancoal Community Support Program aims to make a difference in the community and in the lives of the people who work and live in the areas where it operates.

Applications for 2017 are now closed, however for more information on the Community Support Program, please visit www.moolarbencoal.com.au

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