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Local Mudgee groups receive donation

Three local community groups are receiving a much-needed donation thanks to a new recycling initiative between Moolarben Coal and Ausmetals.

Previously, scrap conveyor belting was simply disposed, however now Moolarben Coal is selling its used conveyor belting to Ausmetals who then remanufactures it into second-life products. Through this business relationship, \$2,500 in funding has been shared across Lifeskills Plus, Mudgee Playgroup and Mudgee Museum.

This new initiative both cleans up the work environment and generates proceeds for the benefit of the local Mudgee community.

Moolarben Coal General Manager, Steve Archinal was pleased with this new recycling initiative.

"As a leading company and employer in the region, we acknowledge the role we play in educating and promoting waste management and are always looking at ways to reduce the wastes that are generated onsite and within the community.

"This new process is a win-win for both helping reduce the amount of waste sent to landfill, while also raising funds that go straight back into boosting local community groups or schools," said Steve.

Grant Heard National Recycling Coordinator, from Ausmetals was pleased to work with Moolarben Coal on this waste management plan.

"We have the expertise to remove and recycle scrap materials at mine sites and are pleased to take that a step further via Moolarben Coal and donate funds to local community organisations," said Grant.

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