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Media Release:

Call for Mudgee community groups to apply for funding

Community groups in the Mudgee area with projects or ideas that make a positive difference to the local community are being encouraged to apply for funding in the next round of Moolarben Coal's Community Support Program.

The 2026 Community Support Program is funded by Yancoal Australia and provides financial assistance to non-for-profit local groups working in the areas of health, community, environment, arts, culture, education and training.

Moolarben Coal General Manager, Brian Wesley, is encouraging locals to raise their hand for assistance by applying for funding.

"Our Community Support Program gives us the opportunity to assist locally focused programs and initiatives capable of making a real contribution to the continued growth and sustainability of the Mudgee area.

"A previously successful organisation is Lifeline Central West. With funding support from us and other community organisations, they were able to establish the Lifeline Central West Hub in Mudgee, which is a local space dedicated to connection, hope, and life-saving support. It has also increased the access to critical mental health and crisis support services in our region.

"In the past, Moolarben has also donated funds to the annual Henry Lawson Heritage Festival, which brings history and poetry alive for everyone in our area year-on-year.

"These are just two examples of some of the great projects that have been supported by our program, which assisted many people in our community.

"If you have a project or idea that has the potential to benefit others in the Mudgee area, we encourage you to apply now," said Brian.

The program is open for applications from 1 September to 26 September 2025. For more information or for an application, please visit <https://www.yancoal.com.au/our-sites/moolarben/>

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