



MEDIA RELEASE

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- The River Murray
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Community groups to benefit from grant funding

Community groups are being encouraged to consider applying for funding assistance under two different grant programs currently on offer.

Local MP Member for Hammond Adrian Pederick said the programs provided communities with an opportunity to get financial support for local projects.

Mr Pederick said the two programs currently available target different community groups and offered cash support varying from a few hundred dollars up to as much as \$40,000.

The Community Benefits SA program, which comes up twice a year, aims to assist disadvantaged individuals, families and communities to improve their well-being and quality of life as well as promoting community participation and life management skills.

The second grant is the Multicultural Grants Scheme, which promotes cultural diversity and seeks to improve social equality and tolerance by encouraging participation.

Projects supported have varied from assistance for the purchase of material requirements to funding of a project officer.

Mr Pederick said guidelines for the various grants offered a broad range of possibilities and added that many organisations in the region had benefited from these programs in the past with almost \$90,000 being distributed among communities recently.

The application period for the grants closes within the next few weeks and further information about these grants and others can be obtained from Mr Pederick's electoral office in Murray Bridge at 20 Mannum Road, (ph 8531 1676), or through the departmental websites; www.dfc.sa.gov.au/cbsa and multiculturalsa@saugov.sa.gov.au

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