



PROGRAM LOGIC

Impact area – Climate Resilient Communities

VISION FOR CHANGE: Communities are equipped to anticipate, prepare for, and manage the diverse impacts of a changing climate.

PROBLEM STATEMENT

The impacts of climate change are social, economic, and environmental. Our community needs to be prepared for a hotter, drier future in which all aspects of our lives, including transportation, freight, local economies' access to services, etc., might be adversely impacted.

Investment in climate change adaptation and resilience is often held at a state and federal level. Research shows that localised support delivers better outcomes.

BORDER TRUST RESPONSE

BT believes that local communities are best placed to lead their climate adaptation and resilience strategies at an individual and community level.

BT has the expertise and connections to deliver investment in to locally led approaches.

LEVERS FOR CHANGE

Develop community networks to share ideas and learnings about the impacts and potential solutions of climate change specific to our region

Ensure that communities have access to critical infrastructure, equipment and materials that help them adapt to climate change and mitigate its impacts

Invest in capacity building and pay for cost of volunteering

Fund projects that seek to prevent species decline and extinction

DESIRED OUTCOMES

- Community knowledge about the impacts of climate change in our region increases
- Our community has the confidence and capacity to take action to adapt to climate change and mitigate its impacts.
- Our community has access to infrastructure, equipment and materials they need to take action on climate change
- More community members take action to address impacts of climate change
- Our ecosystems are more resilient to the impacts of climate change
- Improved natural environments



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Impact Area – Community Leadership

VISION FOR CHANGE: The development of regional leaders enhances the community's ability to tackle local challenges and opportunities.

PROBLEM STATEMENT

Our community relies on local leaders, both in times of crisis and on a day-to-day basis, to have the capacity, skills, and energy to take action.

Most community leaders see themselves as problem solvers with the energy to act, but they often lack the skills, knowledge, and networks required to be effective leaders.

People must see themselves as having what it takes to be a leader.

Further, small rural and regional communities often rely on the same people to assume leadership roles, which can lead to burnout.

BORDER TRUST RESPONSE

BT has the expertise and connections to deliver investment in locally-led leadership development programs.

BT believes that by developing the skills and knowledge of existing leaders and encouraging new individuals to take up leadership roles, BT will ensure the wellbeing of our community.

BT believes that there are diverse ways of identifying and supporting emerging leaders.

LEVERS FOR CHANGE

Fund opportunities for leaders to develop both soft and hard skills

Fund opportunities for people to participate in existing solutions (volunteering, board membership, advisory board membership etc) to create a pipeline of new leaders

Fund development opportunities and support, including mentoring for aspiring community leaders

Fund opportunities for shared learning and networking

DESIRED OUTCOMES

- People in our community develop better confidence and capacity to take action
- Our people increase their knowledge of the issues and develop soft and hard leadership skills
- New individuals become actively involved in their community to secure the pipeline of future leaders
- Across our region a diverse group of people are leading local community projects



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Impact Area – Community Connection and Wellbeing

VISION FOR CHANGE: A welcoming, connected and inclusive community provides the foundation for a vibrant region and positively impacts individual and community well-being.

PROBLEM STATEMENT

There are people in our community who feel isolated. Knowing members of your community and that you are welcome to offer help and ask for support, that someone will check in to see how you are going, is important in any community. In our region, this enables resilience and connection.

All people, with all their diversity, have a right to be included in their community.

BORDER TRUST RESPONSE

BT wants to ensure that wellbeing of our communities is preserved and grows.

BT believes that creating stronger community connections will ensure that our community is able to collaborate, celebrate, and commiserate together and is welcoming and inclusive.

BT believes that it has the expertise to help our communities self-organise and address their challenges by delivering their own solutions.

LEVERS FOR CHANGE

Purchase equipment and materials that assist with the creation of community connections

Use the arts to help people tell their stories and come together

Fund programs and initiatives that create community connections and/or seek to improve mental health and wellbeing

Invest in capacity building and pay for cost of volunteering

DESIRED OUTCOMES

- Community members feel connected and supported
- Our communities are welcoming, inclusive and healthy
- Community members are hopeful and optimistic about their future
- Our community feels safe



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Impact area – Disaster Recovery, Resilience and Readiness

VISION FOR CHANGE: Our region's ability to prepare for, withstand, and recover from natural disasters enhances the safety, health, and economic prosperity of Border communities.

PROBLEM STATEMENT

Our region is heavily impacted by natural disasters such as fire flood and drought on an almost yearly cycle.

The impacts are social, economic, and environmental and have long-lasting consequences.

Investment in disaster preparedness and recovery is often held at a state and federal level. Research shows that localised support delivers better outcomes. Research also shows that communities that are well-prepared have strong social capital and understand the emergency management system and the community's role, are better able to recover.

BORDER TRUST RESPONSE

BT believes local communities are best placed to determine and lead their preparation and recovery from disasters at an individual and community level. BT has the expertise and connections to invest in locally-led approaches.

LEVERS FOR CHANGE

Create opportunities for stronger social connections and proactively build community networks

Create opportunities for communities to be well informed about their role and plan for disaster response and recovery

Build strong local leadership capacity

Ensure that communities have access to critical infrastructure and equipment that helps them prepare and recover

Invest in capacity building and pay for cost of volunteering

Restore natural and built environments

DESIRED OUTCOMES

- Community networks are strong and resilient
- Our community has the knowledge and capacity to prepare and respond to disasters
- More people contribute to their community
- Reduce stress and hardship associated with the loss of and/or lack of access to critical infrastructure and equipment
- Improve community spirit and mental health



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Impact Area – Community Equity

VISION FOR CHANGE: By helping those who help others, access to necessities like food, shelter, education, work, and healthcare enables all to participate in and contribute to a thriving region.

PROBLEM STATEMENT

Our region has a growing population of people who lack secure access to shelter, food, transport, healthcare, education, and safety.

BORDER TRUST RESPONSE

BT believes that secure access to shelter, food, transport, and healthcare are fundamental preconditions for people's engagement in education, employment, and social networks.

Enabling people to have basic dignity strengthens the social fabric of our community.

LEVERS FOR CHANGE

Fund material aid/equipment or resources for organisations working to reduce food & housing insecurity

Fund programs that support acquisition of basic skills such as English language and driving

Fund resources that allow people to effectively engage with learning and healthcare

Fund development opportunities and support, including mentoring

Fund opportunities for people to become employment ready

Fund opportunities for our community to come together

DESIRED OUTCOMES

- Community members have access to food and shelter relevant to their needs
- Community members engage in programs that help acquire skills
- Learners have resources they need to succeed
- People are ready to seek employment
- Organisations that work to close the equity gap are well resourced
- Our community feels safe physically, emotionally and culturally