

2026 Annual Showcase

Hosted by **ATURA Albury**

We're celebrating something powerful — a community that continues to show up for one another.

Across our region, local people, businesses and families are helping create opportunities, strengthen organisations and support neighbours facing difficult times. Together, that generosity is making a real and lasting difference across the Border region.

This year's Big Give recognises the impact made possible through collective local giving — celebrating the grants, partnerships and community projects supported through Border Trust and the generosity of local donors.

Thank you for helping build a more connected, caring and resilient community.

Because when local people give locally, the impact stays local.

2026 COMMUNITY GRANT RECIPIENTS

2026 Financial Year Distribution: \$580,565

AgBiz Assist

Project: Trauma Informed Connected Communities
Amount: \$210,000
Funded by: Towong Community Bushfire Disaster Relief Fund

AgBiz Assist

Project: Voucher Program
Amount: \$4,000
Funded by: Mt Lawson I Walwa Bushfire Recovery Fund

Albury Wodonga Aboriginal Health Service

Project: Essential Fund for Survivors of Family Violence
Amount: \$5,000
Funded by: Hume Bank Safer Communities Fund Round 2

Albury Wodonga Foodshare

Project: Solar
Amount: \$10,000
Funded by: ACE Radio 2AY & Edge FM with Philanthropic Partner Handbury Foundation

Albury Wodonga Foodshare

Project: The Good Egg
Amount: \$5,000
Funded by: Give500 2025

Albury Wodonga Foodshare

Project: Supporting Corryong & Tallangatta
Amount: \$4,500
Funded by: Towong Community Bushfire Disaster Relief Fund

Albury Wodonga Volunteer Resource Bureau

Project: Drive to Connect Continuation
Amount: \$5,000
Funded by: Katharine Sleeman Named Sub Fund

Albury Wodonga Volunteer Resource Bureau

Project: Women's Gatherings
Amount: \$15,000
Funded by: Hume Bank Safer Communities Fund Round 2

Alpine Valleys Community Leadership

Project: 2026 & 2027 Leadership Programs
Amount: \$40,800
Funded by: Towong Community Bushfire Disaster Relief Fund

Bhutanese Community Garden

Project: Sustainable Water
Amount: \$20,000
Funded by: Give500 2025

Community Enterprise Foundation

Project: Fire to Flourish
Amount: \$75,000
Funded by: Towong Community Bushfire Disaster Relief Fund

Corryong Health

Project: Voucher Program
Amount: \$4,000
Funded by: Mt Lawson I Walwa Bushfire Recovery Fund

Country Hope

Project: Art Therapy Program
Amount: \$5,000
Funded by: Adroit Insurance and Risk

Dartmouth Progress Association

Project: Community Garden Top-Up
Amount: \$4500
Funded by: Towong Community Bushfire Disaster Relief Fund

Jingellic Rural Fire Service

Project: Community Recovery & Gatherings
Amount: \$965
Funded by: Mt Lawson I Walwa Bushfire Recovery Fund

Junction Support Services

Project: Windbreak 3690
Amount: \$5,000
Funded by: Give500 2025

Lifeline Albury Wodonga

Project: Lifeline House Albury Capacity Extension

Amount: \$7,500

Funded by: ACE Radio 2AY & Edge FM with Philanthropic Partner Handbury Foundation

Ronald McDonald House Charity

Project: Nourishment Program

Amount: \$5,000

Funded by: ACE Radio 2AY & Edge FM with Philanthropic Partner Handbury Foundation

The Carevan Foundation

Project: Community Support Connection

Amount: \$5,000

Funded by: Hume Bank Safer Communities Fund Round 2

Tallangatta Football Netball Club

Project: Rowan Park Staging Post top-up

Amount: \$4,800

Funded by: Towong Community Bushfire Disaster Relief Fund

Tots2Teens Albury Wodonga

Project: Shop Rent & Outgoings

Amount: \$7,500

Funded by: Michael & Sue Houlihan Named Sub Fund & Border Trust

Towong Shire Council

Project: Corryong Spirit 2026 & Youth Worker – Corryong

Amount: \$101,000

Funded By: Towong Community Bushfire Disaster Relief Fund

Towong Shire Council

Project: Community Recovery & Gatherings

Amount: \$6,000

Funded by: Mt Lawson | Walwa Bushfire Recovery Fund

Towong Shire Council

Project: Towong Hall BBQ & Shelter

Amount: \$50,000

Funded by: Towong Community Bushfire Disaster Relief Fund

YES Unlimited

Project: Women & Children's Safety Fund

Amount: \$5,000

Funded by: Michael & Sue Houlihan Named Sub Fund

YES Unlimited

Project: Women & Children's Fund Top-Up

Amount: \$5,000

Funded by: Hume Bank Safer Communities Fund

THANK YOU TO OUR GENEROUS DONORS, SPONSORS & PHILANTHROPIC PARTNERS



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BORDER REGION COMMUNITY NEED SNAPSHOT 2026

Insights from local not-for-profit and community organisations (n = 18 organisations).

LOCAL NEED IS RISING

82%

of local NFPs reported increased demand in the past 12 months

71%

say demand is stretching or exceeding capacity

100%

say flexible local funding is important or critical

FRONTLINE NEED — BY THE NUMBERS

13,956

people supported with emergency relief last year

Uniting Vic.Tas

15,000+

meals delivered annually

Carevan Foundation

8-10

women each week seek support following domestic and family violence

YES Unlimited

20-30

weekly outreach visits for newly arrived humanitarian families

Murray Valley Sanctuary Refugee Group

440

people supported annually with disability plan management

ConneXtions

500+

people connected through the *Bhutanese & Multicultural Community Farm*, from 10 multicultural communities

45

essential care packs distributed monthly

Tots2Teens Albury Wodonga

250+

young people engaged annually through camps and school programs




Youth Albury Wodonga

1.14 million

meals distributed annually across the Border region

Albury Wodonga FoodShare

LOCAL ORGANISATIONS ARE SEEING:

-  **More** people seeking help for the first time
-  **More** working families under pressure
-  **More** complex and long-term need
-  **Increased** crisis presentations

When local people give through Border Trust, support reaches the people and causes that need it most.

Border Trust connects local generosity with local need across our region.