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## BOYUP BROOK BENEFITS

Three local initiatives will benefit from the support of *Future Boyup Brook*, following its recent inaugural grant round. More than \$1,000 of income earned from donations made to the community fund, will be shared amongst local groups thanks to the support of the Boyup Brook community.

*Future Boyup Brook* has been established under the trusteeship of Western Australian Community Foundation to harness opportunities and build a vibrant and resilient community.

The inaugural grant round will provide assistance to the Boyup Brook Sub-Centre of the St John Ambulance to support the purchase of medical support equipment, in partnership with the *South West Community Foundation*.

*Future Boyup Brook's* support will facilitate the purchase of a treatment bag for protecting portable medical equipment contained for transport outside the ambulance. The second grant from the *South West Community Foundation* will enable the purchase of a battery charger for the new defibrillators and a wheelchair to facilitate ease of transfer of local patients.

Through this granting partnership, *Future Boyup Brook* and the *South West Community Foundation* have demonstrated the unique relationship of communities working together, through Western Australian Community Foundation, to support the needs of the south west region.

The Boyup Brook District High School Parents & Citizen's Association will also receive support towards the upgrade of the Primary Hall stage. The building of an all-purpose stage for the school hall, built in the 1970s, will enable easier access and facilitate the hosting of a wide array of events.

Finally, the Upper Blackwood Agricultural Society have received a grant to go towards the 'Upper Blackwood 90th Show' celebrations including a photography project and a youth program. In supporting this local initiative the fund is promoting community wellbeing and inclusion of youth in local activities.

"We are proud to see one of the inaugural grants going to the Upper Blackwood Agricultural Society, particularly in light of Mr Don Torrie being one of the first donors and early supporters of the fund," said Peter Marshall, local advisory committee member.

"The dream to create *Future Boyup Brook* started in 2004. This inaugural grant round of funding marks a significant milestone, demonstrating the success of the fund which will continue to grow and benefit our community both now and into the future."

Tonia Swetman, Chief Executive Officer, Western Australian Community Foundation added "It is exciting to see the inaugural grants being distributed to the Boyup Brook community; the first of many opportunities where local residents and businesses can see first hand the difference being made from their contributions."

To make an online credit card donation today and support the Boyup Brook community, please visit <https://wacf.org.au/DonationGateway.asp> .

For more information on *Future Boyup Brook*, or to speak with a local advisory committee member, contact Western Australian Community Foundation on (08) 9224 6000 for details.

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