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HOLIDAY COAST CREDIT UNION DISTRIBUTES COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM GRANTS TO MORE THAN 40 LOCAL ORGANISATIONS

Continuing its long-standing tradition of support to the community, Holiday Coast Credit Union is currently distributing more than \$136,000 to non-profit organisations through its annual Community Partnership Program.

Each year, Holiday Coast Credit Union, through the Community Partnership Grants, invests in the health and vitality of the communities it serves through community activities, staff involvement, and financial support for community programs.

This year's recipients include an ongoing 5 year commitment to Life Education (Mid North Coast) and Life Education (North Coast Region), Rotary Lodge, the Salvation Army via the Christmas and Winter Clothing Appeals and the providing of funding to more than 40 other organisations between Coffs Harbour and Maitland. Selected projects this year are addressing the important issues relating to environment, youth, elderly, medical and educational.

"We are pleased that our financial success of last year and our increase in membership have enabled us to give more than ever to support important community work that will benefit our region for generations to come" Holiday Coast Credit Union CEO Neville Parsons said.

"We know the viability of the community in which we live has an impact on each and every individual, consequently, we feel it is essential to assist the region we serve through volunteer works, budgeting advice and financial contributions," Mr Parsons said.

According to Mr Parsons, the Community Partnership Program helps broaden an understanding of what is important to the people the region, "The Holiday Coast Credit Union embraces this program as a means of keeping in-touch with the diversity of our community. This way we can remain proactive in addressing the needs of the people we serve," Mr Parsons said.

Established in 2005, the Holiday Coast Credit Union Community Partnership Program is a means of actively and effectively providing aid to as many non-profit groups and organisations as possible.

Since the inception of the Community Partnership Program, Holiday Coast Credit Union has provided more than \$350,000 in funding, our staff have volunteered many hours in hands-on aid and fundraising and we have helped over 100 community programmes.

Presentations to community organisations are being held at Wauchope, Forster and Rutherford branches and interested members of the community are invited to attend these presentations. Further details can be obtained by contacting the credit union on 1300 365 7 24.

The Holiday Coast Credit Union is a community-based organisation, which aims to ensure the financial wellbeing of its members and their community.

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