

2021 proved again to be a challenging year that required much compassion and resilience to adapt to changing circumstances.

This year was significant for the Foundation. After many months of planning we relaunched the Foundation with a new name and brand. In July we officially became known as Foundation Murrindindi reflecting the Foundation's new focus on the future for communities of Murrindindi Shire, beyond the lens of bushfire recovery.



We also took time to revisit our strategic plan to ensure it aligned with our new brand vision, mission and long term goals for the Foundation. In doing this work we were able to articulate the 5 key impact areas in which we work. Foundation Murrindindi enables community to respond to issues that matter most to them in order to build thriving, vibrant and connected communities across the Shire of Murrindindi. We support projects and initiatives in 5 key impact areas; Youth Success, Building Community Capacity, Community Health & Well-being, Arts & Culture and Environment & Sustainability.



When Covid restrictions finally eased in late 2021, we were able to gather again in person with all staff and board members to plan our 2022 calendar of projects, programs and events. We are super excited to be launching some new initiatives in the new year and have some other exciting projects in the pipeline. We can't wait to share these with you in the coming year and look forward to increasing our impact across the Shire of Murrindindi.

Our Vision

Thriving, vibrant and connected communities within the Shire of Murrindindi.











Our Impact

In 2021 we conducted 2 grant programs. We congratulate all of the successful grant applications and look forward to seeing the impacts and outcomes of these wonderful funded projects in our community.

Triangle Community Development Fund Grant Program

The Triangle Community Development Program will support recovery and community projects in the Marysville and Triangle region.

Successful grant highlights include:

- Christmas in Marysville upgrade Christmas Decorations to celebrate a special time of year with the community and visitors alike.
- All abilities ramp construction a disability ramp and sliding door access at the Community Hub in Taggerty to improve access for all community members.
- Community Arts Winter Welcome Program creation of community mosaic art in the main street of Marysville.

Connecting Communities Small Grant Program

The Connecting Communities small grants program supports community led projects and initiatives that help communities to stay connected during the the pandemic and beyond by reducing feelings of loneliness and isolation, fostering community connections, increased social participation and inclusion and enhances a sense of belonging.

Successful grant highlights include:

- Fawcett Muster Community BBQ and celebration at Fawcett Hall
- Community Christmas Gathering Christmas lunch on Christmas Day at Embassy of Ideas in Alexandra
- Resident Ipad Purchase of an Ipad so residents of Darlingford Nursing Home in Eildon can connect virtually with their family and friends.
- Tuesday Chat purchase of outdoor table setting and chairs to increase the functionality of the Tuesday Chat community morning tea group in Marysville.
- Eildon Twilight Market support musical entertainment at Christmas twilight market.
- Christmas lunch at Flowerdale Community House

For information about the Foundation, visit our website at: www://foundationmurrindindi.org.au/

