

# MADRA News



## Ongoing recovery, future resilience

Nearly two and a half years since the bushfires (followed by flooding and the COVID-19 pandemic) and there has been significant progress towards our Vision of an inclusive, vibrant, strong, and safe community.

So many people are working hard on our recovery – local volunteer organisations, clubs, and charities as well as our politicians, government and non-government agencies. The efforts of these groups, combined with MADRA's community consultation, advocacy and support for numerous recovery initiatives, have seen well over \$50m committed to recovery projects in our district. Our voice is being heard. Together, we have been able to influence our recovery in line with our priorities, preferences, local knowledge and – most importantly – our values. As a community, we can be proud.

We also acknowledge the hard work of the many volunteers who wrote grant applications that were not successful. Grant funding is still available and we continue working with agencies and community groups to get the best possible results for our community.

Putting a \$ figure against recovery projects does not tell the whole story. The flow-on effects of investment and community advocacy are evident. Opportunities to reconnect through social events,

ongoing mental health and other supports, environmental restoration activities, the social and economic benefits of rebuilt and enhanced infrastructure – these are essential elements of recovery that are difficult to quantify.

While much has been achieved, there is still much to do. Work continues in the areas of fuel management, energy resilience and finding ways to broaden and diversify our economy and create employment.

Replacing lost housing stocks remains a critical recovery priority. The lack of affordable rental and social housing adversely impacts our social, health and economic viability on many levels. In April, the Minister for Housing committed to building ten homes for social and affordable housing and providing two modular homes for emergency housing. In addition to the Black Summer grant funding received by MDHSS for additional MIVA cottages, this is a great start.

Your views are important to our ongoing advocacy and progress in disaster recovery and resilience initiatives. You can contact us via our email: [madra.3892@gmail.com](mailto:madra.3892@gmail.com) or drop a note into our suggestion boxes outside the Post Office and the Genoa Pub.

Your **MADRA**



*Funds have been allocated to refurbish the Mallacoota Main Hall.*

## MALLACOOTA AND DISTRICT RECOVERY FUNDING

Note: This list shows approximate amounts for some initiatives and amounts are not known (n/k) for some others. In addition, several funding applications are still in play.

Mallacoota Main Hall	\$1,000,000	Combined Emergency Services facility	\$4,570,000
Mallacoota Abalone Ltd	\$3,000,000	Maurice Ave streetscaping	\$1,500,000
Genoa-Mallacoota Road	\$14,700,000	Genoa Hall	\$76,000
Parks, lakes, and beach infrastructure	\$2,800,000	Mallacoota Fundraising Group (Mariska and Martin) – Emergency Services and Health equipment	\$502,000
Skate Park	\$600,000	Genoa Tennis Courts	\$184,617
Mallacoota Golf Club	\$1,890,000	Mallacoota Pony Club	\$296,000
Mallacoota District Historical Society – Native bush walk	\$25,000	Emergency Equipment/Shed for Genoa	Private donation
MLC donation for Youth Projects	\$31,000	Bendigo Bank Foundation Solar Farm	\$50,000
Mallacoota Mudbrick Pavilion	\$593,628	Preschool	\$2,500,000
Improving telecommunications	\$2,000,000	Individual donations	\$174,000
Wilderness Workspace	\$150,000	Mallacoota District Historical Society – Bunker Museum power supply	\$67,633
Halls and Rec Reserves Committee – Emergency Power	\$67,000	CHIRF Ashes to Music Program	\$10,000
CHIRF – Youth Workers	\$439,326	Bendigo Bank Foundation – Youth Workers	\$60,000
Mallacoota Bowling Club	\$85,000	Mallacoota Tool Library	\$124,899
Mallacoota Field and Game Club	\$280,000	Mallacoota Pony Club	\$346,000+
MDHSS Miva Cottages	\$2,150,000	Mallacoota Arts Council – Art Studio Space	\$43,091
Landcare Far East Victoria	\$250,000	Mirraboooka Road Footpath	\$582,000
Gipsy Point Base station	\$693,882	Mallacoota Endemic Garden	\$29,000
Don/Yolande Fire Book project	\$8,000	Mallacoota Food Van Feast	\$2000
Coota Gathers (Music Victoria)	\$456,480	Be Ready Coota Day and Genoa BBQ	\$2500
St Vincent de Paul Society – School Social worker	n/k	Royal Flying Doctor Service – Psychology services	Ongoing
Art Gallery Print Making equip	n/k	SES trailer for Genoa/equipment	n/k
Music Victoria Regional Development Program	n/k	Envite – Natural Resource Management Crews	n/k
Mallacoota Mapping the Future project	\$10,000	Homes Victoria – 10 homes	t.b.a
Mallacoota Sea Eagles Dragon Boat Club	\$15,000	3MGB, Music Victoria and Mallacoota Events outside broadcast unit	\$50,000



*The Mallacoota Pony Club has been able to rebuild facilities.*