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Shire of Broome Community Sponsorship Program to support playgrounds, cultural events and sporting infrastructure

Over \$70,000 has been awarded to community groups, clubs and organisations under the Shire of Broome Community Sponsorship Program for 2010 and 2011.

The funding was announced at Council on Thursday night and will be used to support twenty community driven initiatives and projects.

Broome Shire President, Graeme Campbell said the sponsorship program allowed community groups to deliver over \$1 million in projects.

“The Shire of Broome is committed to assisting community groups in identifying and delivering projects for our community which would otherwise be overlooked by commercial or government bodies. In many cases, the Shire funding is used to finalise projects that may be years in planning and development,” he said.

The Community Sponsorship Program also recognises the work of volunteers in our community and the time and effort it takes to raise funds and plan projects.

“Hundreds of volunteers work year round identifying, planning and fundraising for the benefit of the entire Broome community,” Cr Campbell said.

Major sponsorships for 2010/11 include \$15,000 for new playgrounds at Broome Primary School and Cable Beach Primary School, \$10,000 to support 2011 NAIDOC week activities, \$7,000 for security systems and display cabinets for the Broome Historical Society, \$6,450 for a new rescue boat and trailer for the Broome Sailing Club and \$6,000 for state of the art training equipment for St Johns Ambulance.

Other recipients include; Broome Aboriginal Media Association, Broome Barracudas Swim Club, Broome Hockey Association, Broome Over 50's Senior Citizens Club, Broome Senior High School Year 9 Fundraising Committee, Broome Sports Association, Broome Squash Club, Broome Tri Sports Association, Cable Beach Primary School, Kyle Andrew's Foundation, Marrugeku Dance Company, Theatre Kimberley, Broome Rotary Club and WA Police Legacy.

This year over 50 individual organisations applied for funding under the community Sponsorship Program.

“Unfortunately, as with all funding, the demand for Shire support was high, and we were unable to fund all applicants. The interest shown in the Shire of Broome Community Sponsorship Program demonstrates how vibrant our community organisations are in Broome,” said Cr Campbell.

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