

Inglewood and Districts **Community Bank**® Branch launches grant program

Inglewood, July 2013: Inglewood and Districts **Community Bank**® Branch will launch its latest Community Grants Program on Wednesday 24 July.

Inglewood and Districts **Community Bank**[®] Chairman Max Higgs encouraged anyone from the Inglewood region who was interested in applying for a community grant to come along to the launch.

"Under the **Community Bank**® model, our branch supports the local community by allocating funding to groups and organisations from its profits," Dr Higgs said.

"Thanks to our customers, our local **Community Bank**® branch has now reached profit levels that allow us to make these community contributions."

The launch will provide local community groups and organisations with information about the **Community Bank**® model and how to apply for funding.

The Community Grants Program is administered by Community Enterprise Foundation, the philanthropic arm of Bendigo and Adelaide Bank.

"Projects may be large or small and carried out in collaboration with other groups or organisations at any level," Dr Higgs said.

"We encourage everyone to bring their ideas to the table, so we can really find out what our community needs."

There are currently almost 300 **Community Bank**® branches across Australia that have returned more than \$100 million to support local communities.

This is the fifth Community Grants Program for Inglewood and Districts **Community Bank**® Branch.

Since 2006 more than \$500,000 has been granted to groups and organisations across the Inglewood region.

The launch will start at 7pm at the Inglewood Senior Citizens Hall, 75 Grant Street, Inglewood and supper/refreshments will be available.

For more information or to RSVP, please call into the branch or phone Stewart Luckman on 03 54383500.

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