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RACQ Foundation: \$2.1 million to help flood-affected groups

RACQ Foundation has pledged \$2.1 million to assist community groups and sporting clubs affected by floods in south east Queensland.

RACQ CEO David Carter said 73 organisations impacted by one of Australia's worst flooding events earlier this year have been approved for funding under the Foundation's two grant rounds.

"As a mutual organisation, it's in our DNA to help our members and their communities, particularly in their time of need," Mr Carter said.

"RACQ's support of community groups and sporting clubs is in direct recognition that they represent the social fabric of our communities. From rowing to cricket, football, bowls and pony clubs – it's where community members come together and that's where RACQ makes a difference.

"These grants will enable groups, many of them not-for-profit organisations run by volunteers, to pay for rebuilding costs and the replacement of much-needed equipment and amenities.

"Queenslanders have shown extraordinary camaraderie and resilience in the face of heartbreaking challenges not only this year, but in the past several years, as drought, cyclones, storms, and floods have ravaged the State.

"We're committed to being there our members, their families and communities now and through the long recovery and rebuilding process."

These grants are in addition to a \$50,000 donation RACQ made to Lifeline Queensland in March to help flood-affected community members.

Ipswich Knights Soccer Club president Troy Beahan said they're grateful for RACQ Foundation's financial support to help rebuild the fences around playing fields.

"Our fields and clubhouse were inundated by the recent floods just as the season was getting underway," Mr Beahan said.

"Without the support of organisations like RACQ we'd struggle to get back on our feet but with this generous contribution our players will be able to return to the fields earlier than expected.

"We're excited to see these works completed and get back to focusing on growing our program and welcoming more kids to the 'world game."

Round 2 of RACQ Foundation's Community Grant Program is open until 7 October.

If you are a Queensland sporting club, community group or an organisation with a charitable purpose and have been impacted by severe weather events this year, you can <u>apply for an RACQ Foundation Community Grant</u>.

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Please see list of recipients in alphabetical order:

- 1. Albany Creek Excelsior Netball Club Inc
- 2. Ashgrove Cricket Club Incorporated
- Australian Skateboarding Federation
- 4. Beenleigh BMX Club
- 5. Beerwah Sportsground Management Committee
- **Bribie District Branch** 6. Little Athletics Centre Inc
- Bribie Island Rd Saddle Club Inc
- Brisbane Basketball Incorporated
- 9. Brisbane City Football Club, Newmarket
- 10. Brisbane Dog Training Club Inc, Oxley
- 11. Brisbane Typhoon
- 12. Burpengary Equestrian Centre
- 13. Caboolture Branch Little Athletics Centre Inc
- 14. Canungra Area Golf Club
- 15. Centenary Rowing Club
- 16. Congo-Konexion Inc
- 17. Cooloola BMX Club Inc
- 18. Cooloola Coast Kart Club Incorporated
- 19. Coominya Public Hall Inc.
- 20. Cystic Fibrosis Queensland, Ashgrove
- 21. Downey Park Netball **Association Incorporated**
- 22. Gatton Campdraft Association Incorporated
- 23. Glasshouse Hinterland Lions AFC
- 24. Gold Coast Knights Football Club Inc

- 25. Goodna Rugby Union Club
- 26. Goodna Street Life Inc
- 27. Greenbank Junior Cricket Club Inc
- 28. Gympie Junior Rugby League Club Inc
- 29. Gympie United FC Inc
- 30. Hendra Pony Club
- 31. Ipswich Knights Soccer Club Inc
- 32. Jimboomba Branch Little Athletics Centre Inc
- 33. Jindalee Bowls Club Inc
- 34. Kandanga Country Club Inc
- 35. Karalee Twin Rivers Junior Rugby League Club
- 36. Kia Ora & Districts Pony Club Inc
- 37. Kilcoy Campdraft Committee Inc.
- 38. Kilcoy Motorcycle Club
- 39. Kin Dragon Boat Club Inc
- 40. Lockyer Cricket Association
- 41. Lockyer Valley Riding for the Disabled Inc
- 42. Logan Village Riding Club
- 43. Loganholme Aeromodellers Radio Inc.
- 44. Maleny Bowls Club
- 45. Maleny Golf Club Inc
- 46. Maroochydore SES Support Association Inc
- 47. Metropolitan Pistol Club Inc, Belmont
- 48. Miaomiao Chinese School, Sunnybank
- 49. Nambour Rugby League Club Inc

- 50. Northern Suburbs Bowls Club Inc. Wavell Heights
- 51. Oxley Bowls Club Inc
- 52. Oxley Sailing Club Inc
- 53. Palmwoods Cricket Club Inc
- 54. Permaculture Noosa Incorporated
- 55. Pine Rivers Pony Club
- 56. Pine Rivers Swans Australian Football Club
- 57. Queensland Jewish Kindergarten Assoc Inc, Fig Tree Pocket (Gan Gani)
- 58. Redcliffe Horse and Pony Club
- 59. Redlands Horse & Pony Club
- 60. RM Equestrian Centre Inc
- 61. Sailability Graceville
- 62. Samford Bowls Club Inc
- 63. Samford Golden Valley Pony Club
- 64. Sandgate Golf Club Inc
- 65. South Brisbane District Cricket Club
- 66. Southern Downs Steam Railway
- 67. Te Waka Taniwha Dragon Boat Club Inc
- 68. The Albert Bowls Club Inc
- 69. The Lakes District Dragon **Boat Association Inc**
- 70. Toorbul Pony Club Inc
- 71. Western Districts Netball Association, Graceville
- 72. Windsor Croquet Club Inc
- 73. Wynnum Manly District Cricket Club

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