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**Viterra Community Fund awards more than \$225,000 to support rural communities**

Sixty-seven rural communities in Australia will receive funding for their projects from the 2011 Viterra Community Fund after allocations were announced this week.

Viterra has allocated more than \$225,000 worth of funding during this round of the Viterra Community Fund. This takes the total amount of funding provided to rural communities since the Community Fund was established in 2006 to more than \$725,000.

Rob Gordon, Viterra President South East Asia, said the company was very proud of its Community Fund and particularly this year, with extra funding for flood recovery projects.

“The support of rural and regional communities is of great importance to Viterra and this fund is part of Viterra’s commitment to invest in the future of those communities,” he said.

At the closure of this latest round of applications on 16 May, Viterra had received more than 200 submissions from communities across Australia.

Each application was measured against the fund’s key selection criteria. Viterra does not provide cash, but rather pays for goods or services.

“This way, we can ensure the funding goes directly where it is needed the most – and to the projects which will provide the greatest community benefit,” Mr Gordon said.

“Where possible, goods and services are purchased from local businesses, ensuring the money stays in the community.

“We have awarded grants for many worthwhile projects that will have a positive impact in local communities.”

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The projects to receive funding are:

<b>Community organisation</b>	<b>Project name</b>
<b>SOUTH AUSTRALIA</b>	
Blyth Progress Association	Padnaindi Redevelopment
Booborowie District Soldiers Memorial Hall Inc.	Hall Tables
Breast Cancer Support (Kimba)	Girls in Pink
Brinkworth Progress Association	Stockyard reserve playground
Central Areas Sports Complex Inc (Poochera)	Kitchen Work Bench
Clare Combined Cricket Club	Practice Nets
Cleve Netball Club	New Fridge for Catering Shed
Coomandook Amalgamated Pastime Club (Hall Cttee)	Hall renovations - painting
Darke Peak Sporting Complex Inc.	Swimming Pool Fence Replacement
Eagles Sports & Community Centre (Port Wakefield)	Community Centre Verandah Lighting
Elliston Community Information Centre Inc	Community Hall Renovation Stage 2 - Kitchen upgrade
Gladstone Community Development & Tourism Association Inc	Gladstone GrainTrail
Jamestown Gymnasium & Hydrotherapy Pool	Jamestown Gymnasium

Kapinnie Hall & Recreation Association Inc.	Kapinnie Playground Upgrade
Laura Preschool Centre	Touch IT Interactive Learning Centre
Lock Health Centre Advisory Committee	Towing/Reversing Road Safety Course
Lower Eyre Health Service	Road Defence
Lucindale Community Fitness Centre	Resistance Chairs for Functional Fitness
Minlaton Bowling Club	School Bowling
Minlaton Country Fire Service	2011 Training Systems Upgrade
MU Australia Inc - Auburn/Riverton branch	Riverton & District High School Breakfast Club
Orroroo Community Home Social Committee	Community Home Refurbishment Project
Penong Progress Association	Community Hall Frontage Upgrade
Stockport Community Association Inc	Stockport Playground Shade Structure Project
Streaky Bay Children's Centre	Safe outdoor play
Port Lincoln Lions Club Inc.	Portable PA System
Two Wells Community Children's Centre	Upgrade of Children's Furniture and Equipment Storage
Wudinna Area School	Primary SRC Playground Project
Yahl Primary School Parent Club	Keeping our kids healthy
<b>VICTORIA</b>	
BlazeAid*	Eastern Seaboard Flood & Cyclone recovery project to repair fences on farms
Bridgewater Bowling Club*	Flood Recovery
Rainbow Civic Centre Management Committee	Mecca Dressing Room Restoration Project
Clunes and District Preschool *	Refurbishment of Equipment
Elmore Field Days Catering Committee	Portable Coffee Shop
Green Lake Recreation reserve	Come for a BBQ
Harrow & District Recreation Reserve*	Replace Interior Furnishing: Deep Freeze, damaged by Flooding
High Street Dimboola Residents	High Street (east) Beautification
Hopetoun Patchwork Group	Carpet for RSL Hall.
Horsham Yacht Club*	Club Rebuilding
Kaniva District Historical Society	RAM (Replace Archaic Methods)
Laharum Hall Committee*	Portable Chairs for Community Use
Nandaly Progress Association	Split system for public hall
Natimuk Primary School Parents Association	Can you hear what I hear
Natimuk Lake Foreshore Committee*	Improvement of Natimuk Lake Picnic Amenities
Natimuk Preschool Centre*	Supplies for replacement of Natimuk Preschool Floor
Nullawil Recreation Reserve	Football, Netball, Tennis, Playgroup, Cricket Clubs and Playground fence
<b>NEW SOUTH WALES</b>	
Ardlethan Memorial Hall	Memorial Hall Kitchen Upgrade
Collingullie Primary School	Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Program
Fusion Australia	Fusion Australia Coleambally
Grong Grong Sports Club	Grongy Sports Club Playground
Grong Grong Public School	School Vegie Patch



Jerilderie Netball Club Inc.	Strong Bodies for a Strong Future
Middleton Public School P&C Association	Kindergarten Early Intervention Literacy Program
Mungindi Community Preschool	New Front Fence
The Rotary Club of Merriwa Inc	Merriwa Rotary Skate Park Complex
<b>QUEENSLAND</b>	
Dalby Broadcasting Association Incorporated*	Restore and Improve Effective Community Broadcasting after floods
Dulacca State School Parents & Citizens Association	Instant Marquees or Portable Shade
Injune State School Parents and Citizens Association	Reading! Reading! Reading!
Nobby State School Parents and Citizens Association*	Nobby Kids Need New Chairs
Queensland Police-Citizens Youth Welfare Association South Burnett PCYC	Tiny Tot and Kindergym Program
Theodore Show Society*	Announcers Office
<b>WESTERN AUSTRALIA</b>	
Bugs & Biology Grower Group	Purchase of key equipment to run more effective learning events
Shire of Tammin	After School Care Program
Southern Dirt	Equipping Dirt
Stirling to Coast Farmers	Exploring Local Crop Yield Potential
West Midlands Group, t/as West Midlands Natural Resource Group Inc.	WMG PA Equipment
Wundowie & Districts Men's Shed Inc.	Administration Computer

\*denotes Flood Recovery allocation

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