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Christmas comes early for Dungog community groups receiving Love Water grants

Christmas has arrived early for six community groups which will receive a share in more than \$20,000 as part of the Love Water Dungog Community Grants program.

In partnership with Dungog Shire Council, the funding will be used to support local projects and initiatives that encourage water conservation and raise awareness of water as a valuable resource.

The successful applicants include Dungog Shire Community Centre, Clarence Town Rugby League Football Club, Dungog Shire Youth Service, Glen William Public School, Dungog Community Preschool and Dungog Public School.

Hunter Water Managing Director Jim Bentley said the grants support the Love Water campaign, which encourages the community to value water and take action to use it sustainably.

“We’re pleased to partner with the Council to deliver these grants and help raise awareness of the Love Water message in the Dungog community.

“It’s great to see a diverse range of organisations and groups apply for funding, and help us promote the importance of conserving our precious resource and protecting the environment. By working together, we can make a big difference,” said Mr Bentley.

The funding will be used to purchase rainwater tanks for sports field irrigation, install a community and school garden, and for education programs based on sustainability and the need to value water.

Dungog Mayor Tracy Norman welcomed the collaboration with Hunter Water.

“This partnership between Dungog Shire Council and Hunter Water allows many of our community groups to access grants not usually available to them.

“It is a wonderful opportunity for our small but active community. We are grateful to Hunter Water for its commitment to our grants program,” said Cr Norman.

Minister for Energy and Utilities Don Harwin thanked the Dungog community for its interest in the Love Water grants and congratulated the successful applicants.

“This is a great example of Hunter Water supporting community initiatives which promote water conservation and education. By learning and working together, local communities can make water conscious decisions and create a more sustainable water future.”

For more information about Hunter Water’s grants and sponsorship initiatives, visit www.hunterwater.com.au