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GRANTS TO STRENGTHEN COMMUNITY RESILIENCE

Local councils and organisations committed to working together to strengthening their communities have been supported with funding thanks to the NSW Government.

Six councils have been awarded a share in more than \$400,000 through the inaugural round of the NSW Government's Social Cohesion Grants, which supports projects aimed at rebuilding, reconnecting and strengthening their communities.

Minister for Local Government Wendy Tuckerman said councils were best placed to deliver the social cohesion projects as the level of government most involved in grassroots community issues.

"These grant recipients have targeted programs that are designed to support people, to connect with each other, and to build resilience so that closer-knit communities can endure any future challenges they may encounter," Mrs Tuckerman said.

"Through these new grants, NSW Government is supporting local groups and their wider community to emerge from recent challenges, by delivering direct support to build a brighter, more connected future."

Minister for Multiculturalism and Minister for Seniors Mark Coure said when governments work collaboratively with grassroots organisations, they can achieve greater community outcomes.

"These six councils will deliver programs with organisations that strengthen bonds between people, reduce social isolation, tackle racism and build community resilience," Mr Coure said.

"Each community is unique and made up of people from all walks of life, and local organisations and councils understand the needs of these people best."

This is the first year of the Local Government Social Cohesion Grants program, full details of grant recipients can be found [here](#).

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