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Sponsorship to help groups get back on track.

05 March 2021 Applications are now open for the latest round of Community Bank Elmore, Lockington and Rochester's Community Sponsorship Program that will again provide support for community initiatives in the Elmore, Lockington and Rochester districts.

Brad Drust, Chair of Lockmore Financial Services Ltd. said that the program, first established in July 2016, is open to community orientated organisations and groups getting back on their feet after the COVID-19 disruptions of 2020.

"The last year has been tough for us all but we know our communities are keen to get back on track. To help with this we are offering an opportunity to access locally generated capital that will support community programs, projects and events." said Mr Drust.

Alex Rosaia, Branch Manager, Community Bank Elmore, Lockington and Rochester, is encouraging local groups and organisations to consider applying for sponsorship assistance through the program.

"This is a fantastic opportunity for organisations across the district to seek support for ideas they are keen to get off the ground. Our last round of the Community Sponsorship Program awarded nine local groups with financial support to help upgrade sporting facilities, establish a wellbeing garden for kindergarten students and develop all-abilities sporting programs" said Alex.

Since 2004, the Community Bank Elmore, Lockington and Rochester has returned more than \$1.7 million in funding to its local communities and it is the support of the community and customers that makes this possible.

"Simply put, the more our customers bank with us, the more our Community Banks can invest back into our local communities. Come and talk to our staff today and learn more about how banking with your local Community Bank branches can help your community thrive," Alex concluded.

Information on how to apply for round nine of the Community Sponsorship Program can be sourced by sending an email to swade@lockmore.com.au or by visiting one of our Community Bank branches today.

Applications close on Friday 9 April 2021.

More information please contact Sandra Wade - 0413 417 055.