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Newsletter

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Chair's update

Welcome to our 2021 newsletter. The past year has seen COVID continue to be a presence. As an essential service, the branch has remained open, even during lockdowns, so that our customers can have full access to funds and services throughout these trying times.

Our staff have embraced a new way of banking and this has resulted in the ability to deliver a more diversified method of dealing with clients. Electronic and face-to-face banking is now the norm.

This financial year saw Mount Gambier achieve the strongest growth of any Community Bank in SA/NT. As a Board, our focus has been to strategically position our business in a way that will continue this growth and enable us to move ahead of the competitors in the years to come.

Our story needs to be shared so that profits can also be shared. Please continue to support the branch and become its biggest advocate.

Helen Strickland
Chair



We're turning 20!

This November we look forward to celebrating 20 years of community banking in Mt Gambier. In that time over \$1,070,000 has been distributed to our local communities. A huge thank you to our shareholders and customers for your continued support.

2021 AGM

Our Annual General Meeting will be held on **Wednesday 17 November**, at the RSL (Sturt Street, Mt Gambier) commencing at 7.00pm. Please RSVP to info.mgdfs@gmail.com if you are able to join us.

Scholarship for local student

We recognise that regional students face an additional cost burden as they often must move away from the family home to study. Our scholarships help relieve some of that cost burden for students whose circumstances might otherwise prevent them from accepting their university course offer.

We are pleased to announce the 2021 recipient of the Community Bank Mt Gambier & District Scholarship is Faith Monger. This scholarship will help cover some of the costs of living and studying in Adelaide this year, with Faith undertaking a Bachelor of Music (Sonic Arts) at the University of Adelaide. Congratulations Faith, we wish you every success for the future!



Talk to us today

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9.30am - 5.00pm Monday to Friday

9.00am - 12 noon Saturday

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Helen Strickland (Chair), Anne Eitzen (Secretary),
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Giving back to the community

Thanks to those who have supported the branch by bringing their banking to us, Community Bank Mt Gambier & District has now returned over \$1.1 million to the community in grants, donations and sponsorships since it opened 20 years ago!

If you're a not for profit club or group who would like to apply for funding, there are two application rounds each year. This year's next round of applications for events during January-June 2022 closes on 1 November 2021, with the next round closing on 1 May 2022.

Some recipients of our 2021 community investment grants are:

Foodbank SA - \$10,000 towards local School Breakfast Program.

Mil LeL Cricket Club - \$2,000 sponsorship for 2021 season.

Mount Gambier Private Hospital - \$4,000 sponsorship of Tertiary Health Education Grant Program.

Western Border Football League - \$12,000 sponsorship for 2021 season.

Mount Gambier Mens Shed - \$2,500 funding for welding equipment.

Limestone Coast Football Association - \$5,000 sponsorship for 2021 season.

SA Rostrum - \$2,500 sponsorship for annual schools public speaking competition.

Mount Gambier Cancer Support Group - \$300 funding for raffle books printing.