



Community News

Community Bank · Mt Eliza

Welcome to this Winter edition where we highlight some of the ways Community Bank Mt Eliza is helping our customers and community to thrive.

School Support Program

Local primary and secondary school students will benefit from a major injection of funding to support their mental health, wellbeing and resilience.

We are allocating \$250,000 over three years to our Student Support Program, increasing the delivery of extra-curricular mental health programs to primary and secondary schools in the wider Mt Eliza area.

As part of the initiative, we have given a funding boost to Speak and Share. They are helping young people manage their mental health and wellbeing by encouraging open, honest conversations and challenging the stigma surrounding mental health.

In FY2025 we funded Speak & Share to deliver their school program to Year 9 students at Mt Eliza Secondary College, Mornington Secondary College and Frankston High School—420 students benefited.



We've now expanded our support to help Speak & Share reach many more local students in FY2026.

We look forward to working with our local schools to help build a stronger and more resilient community.

A new scoreboard for Overport Park

The clubs based at Overport Park now have a new electronic scoreboard on their main oval. It's saving their volunteers time and stress during matches, and improves visibility for players and spectators. We were delighted to provide the funding for it.

\$1 million milestone

We are proud to have reached a milestone of over \$1 million in local contributions.

Since 2010, Community Bank Mt Eliza has been using its profit to support local not-for-profit community groups, clubs, schools and initiatives.

In FY2025, we funded over 70 local community groups, including clubs, schools and initiatives, distributing around \$300,000.

Our contributions touch the lives of most people living in the area, through a sporting club, a community service organisation, school or local event—whether they realise it or not.

Bendigo Bank delivers the products, services and security you'd expect from a big bank, plus the personal service you wouldn't. So, if you're looking for better banking with a big local impact, there's a million reasons to choose Community Bank Mt Eliza.

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Support for local footy and netball: Winter 2025

We are excited to be sponsoring a number of local football and netball clubs this season. These clubs and their wonderful volunteers, not only provide great sport and competition. They also support community mental health, wellbeing and connection.



Project Fresh Start

Project Fresh Start provides free, healthy, plant-based food to the community. They are on a mission to educate people about healthy eating and living. We're proud to be their first sponsor.

We caught up with them at Orwil Street Community House in Frankston—a pick up point for their pre-prepared meals. There we met one of their clients, who has seen significant health improvements by incorporating more plants in his diet.

projectfreshstart.org.au

Connecting our community leaders



Are you involved in a not-for-profit community group, school or club committee? Join us.

Community Catch Up
Wednesday 30 July 2025
Canadian Bay Hotel
6:30pm–8:30pm

RSVP is essential →



Over \$1 million reinvested.



Supporting soccer

This season we're right behind:

- Peninsula Strikers Junior FC
- Mt Eliza Soccer Club
- Baxter Soccer Club, and
- Mornington Soccer Club.



Miscarriage Information Support Service

This year it has been our pleasure to extend our support to the Miscarriage Information Support Service. Our team member, Brooke, nominated them for a grant.

One in four pregnancies ends in miscarriage, yet the grief is often experienced in silence.

This local service provides valuable information, resources and support for people dealing with the loss. We encourage you to reach out if you need help or information.

miss.org.au

Our team's latest community contributions

Every year, our Community Bank Mt Eliza staff choose a local not-for-profit organisation they'd like to support with a grant. Recent contributions include Thomas' grant to Mornington Obedience Dog Club, and Ebony's to C2A-Disability Without Limits.



Recent funding recipients

Emergency and community support

Mornington Peninsula Foundation
Mt Eliza CFA-Fire Brigade
Mt Eliza Lions Club
Mt Eliza Neighbourhood House
Peninsula Home Hospice
Peninsula Transport Assist
Rotary Mt Eliza

Sport and recreation

Baden Powell Cricket Club
Baxter Cricket Club
Baxter Soccer Club
Bruce Park Netball Club
Daveys Bay Yacht Club
Delacombe Park Cricket Club
Frankston Athletics Club
Frankston Districts Tigersharks AFL
Masters Football Club
Frankston Little Athletics Club
Frankston Bombers Football Netball Club
Frankston Dolphins Junior Football Club
Frankston Dolphins Football Netball Club
Frankston Football Club
Mornington Life Saving Club
Mornington Soccer Club
Mt Eliza Bowling Club
Mt Eliza Cricket Club
Mt Eliza Soccer Club
Mt Eliza Football Netball Club
Mt Eliza Netball Club
Mt Eliza Tennis Club
Mt Eliza Girl Guides
Mt Eliza Racing Team
Old Peninsula Football Club
Peninsula Flyers Swim Club
Peninsula Strikers Junior FC
1st Ranelagh Scout Group
Ranelagh Club
Somerville Junior Football Club
The Village Baxter Bowls Club

Arts, culture and heritage

Chamber of Commerce community events
Derinya Art and Craft Exhibition
Frankston Business Collective
Mt Eliza Art and Design Show
Peninsula Art Society
PLOS Musical Productions
RPP FM

Education

Frankston High School
Kunyang Pre School
Kunyang Primary School
Mt Eliza Secondary College
Mt Eliza North Primary School
Mornington Secondary College
Mornington Peninsula Toastmasters
Walker's Road Pre School

Health and wellbeing

Mornington Peninsula Legacy
Mt Eliza Farmers' Market
Probus Central Mt Eliza
Project Fresh Start
Peninsula Home Hospice
Speak and Share

Animal welfare and environment

Mornington Obedience Dog Club
Peninsula Cat Rescue



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Bush Fire Info Line: 1800 240 667

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Peninsula Transport Assist
9708 8241 | peninsulatransportassist.org

Rotary Club of Mt Eliza rotarymteliza.org.au

Speak & Share speakandshare.com

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Whether you're an existing customer or new to Bendigo Bank, we're here to help you get the most out of your home loan. Contact us to book your appointment.

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Community Banks return most of their profit directly to their communities through grants and sponsorships which facilitate community health, wellbeing and cohesion.

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