

Supporting our community

Community Bank branches are owned by local people and operated in partnership with Bendigo Bank. They return most of the profit they make to the community through sponsorships and grants to not for profit organisations and community initiatives.

Over \$366 million has been pumped back into Australian communities by this network of Bendigo Bank branches to date. Over **\$1.6 million** of it right here in our Redlands and Wynnum Manly area. Here's just a few of the organisations the Community Bank Victoria Point and Wynnum Manly have supported lately - thanks to our customers



A Night at Diner en Rouge

We were delighted to attend this years Diner en Rouge, hosted by the Redland Foundation in partnership with local organisations. This evening is all about raising awareness and funds to end domestic and family violence in our community.

Guests enjoyed a night of connection, and entertainment, while supporting the cause. We were proud to contribute by donating a raffle prize to help boost fundraising efforts on the night.



Supporting Young Musicians at Wynnum State High School

We were proud to support the talented young musicians at Wynnum State High School by donating a brand new iPad to the Wynnum Instrumental Music Program Supporters for their recent raffle.

This dedicated group works hard to give students more opportunities to shine through music, and we're always happy to play our part.



GO M.A.D. Gala - Party with a Purpose

We proudly sponsored The Cage Youth Foundation's annual GO M.A.D. (Go Make A Difference) Gala at Sirromet Winery. Our team enjoyed an evening of music, food, auctions, and fun, supporting this self-funded charity that provides crucial programs for young people and families in the Redlands Coast.

The gala raises funds essential for continuing these impactful initiatives.



Proud Sponsors of Wynnum Fringe

We were proud to sponsor Wynnum Fringe; a festival that celebrates bold creativity, emerging talent, and the vibrant spirit of our Bayside community.

Supporting the arts means supporting connection, culture, and storytelling. We're honoured to be part of it.

Here's to another exciting year of Wynnum Fringe ahead!



Applications Now Open - Community Grants, Round Two!

Following the success of our inaugural Community Grants program, we are excited to announce that applications are now open for our second round, running from 1 August to 30 September 2025.

In our first round, we proudly awarded \$125,280.79 to 27 local organisations, supporting a diverse range of initiatives across the Redlands and Wynnum Manly areas.

These included upgrading sports facilities, providing equipment essential for community services and enhancing for programs vulnerable community members.

This new round will see over \$100,000 in funding available for local sporting clubs, community groups, educational programs and essential services to bring their ideas to life with the support of their community bank.

Thanks to our customers, we can continue to reinvest in the people and organisations that play a vital role in strengthening our community.

We are looking forward to seeing the positive impact of this round as it unfolds in the months ahead. To apply or to learn more about eligibility and guidelines, scan the QR code on the back page.

Community Raffle Success and Exciting News - Round Two is Live!

Our inaugural Community Raffle has concluded, and the results have been nothing short of amazing for our local groups. Together, participating organisations raised thousands of dollars to support their programs, projects, and daily necessities, with 100% of ticket sales remaining in the community.

Congratulations to Our Top Three Ticket Sellers:

- 1st place Play it Forward with \$7,417 raised
- 2nd place Redland Rhapsody Chorus with \$6,850 raised
- 3rd place Macleay Island Arts Complex with **\$5,957 raised**

Every group, regardless of their total, contributed to making a difference, and every dollar remains right here in our community.

We are thrilled to announce that Round 2 of the Community Raffle is now live! Once again, there are \$30,000 in cash prizes available, entirely funded by your local community bank, ensuring that every cent from ticket sales goes directly back to the participating organisations.

We are still accepting Expressions of Interest from local groups interested in getting involved and selling tickets. If your organisation would like to participate, please scan the QR code on the back page to register your interest.





Tokens of Appreciation - Round Three is Live!

Our Tokens of Appreciation program is back and we are excited to announce the 10 community groups who will share in \$20,000 in funding, with \$10,000 per branch, thanks to the support of our customers.

For those new to the program, every time you visit the branch you will receive a token to place in the box of one of the participating groups. At the end of the voting period, the funds will be divided based on the number of tokens each group receives. The more tokens, the bigger the share of funding.

This round's participating groups are:

Victoria Point branch:

- Fun Farm Limited
- Koala Rescue Redlands & Surrounds
- Redlands Coast Dementia Community
- Redlands Kids Clothes Swap Inc.
- South Bay Dolphins Basketball Club

Wynnum Manly branch:

- Bayside Shelter Inc.
- Brisbane Bayside Steam Railway
- The Brain Injury Community
- Wynnum Manly Little Athletics
- Wynnum West State School P&C

Voting is open now and runs until the end of October. We cannot wait to see the impact this round will have and encourage you to get involved by placing your token next time you visit. Every token counts and every dollar stays in our community.



2024-25 - A Year of Backing our Community

While some scaled back, we stepped forward. Again and again. Because when people back their local Community Bank, it turns into something real and lasting.

In the 2024–25 financial year, that commitment looked like:

- Over **\$400,000** reinvested into local organisations
- **93 community groups** supported across the Redlands and Bayside
- **1,440 hours** spent by our staff showing up, helping out and making a difference

These numbers only tell part of the story. Behind them are the sporting clubs that upgraded their facilities, the volunteers who received new equipment to continue their work, the community groups that could extend their programs, and the people who felt seen, supported and valued.

Our branches are more than just a place to do your banking. They are part of the neighbourhood. We know the faces that walk through our doors, we celebrate your wins, and we stand alongside you in the tough times. We are here because this community matters to us, and every decision we make is guided by the impact it will have locally.

The year ahead is already shaping up to be another big one, with more community grants, sponsorships, events and programs in the works. We are ready to keep backing the people, groups and causes that make our region such a special place to live.

Thank you for choosing to bank locally. Your support allows us to continue investing in our community, not just for today, but for the future we are building together.



Get to know our team!



Meet Karisa, Your Local Customer Service Officer.

If you have visited our branch, you may have already been greeted by Karisa's warm smile and friendly hello.

Karisa is one of our much-loved team members and brings energy, enthusiasm and genuine care to every interaction with our customers.

Karisa's journey with us is a special one. She first joined through our very first Indigenous traineeship program, embracing the opportunity to learn and grow in the banking industry. After some time away to explore other avenues (and welcome a beautiful new addition to her family), Karisa returned to the team she calls home.

Her experience, resilience and connection to the community make her an incredible asset to our branch. Whether she is helping customers, supporting her colleagues or sharing a laugh in the staffroom, Karisa is someone who lifts others up.

Alongside her role in branch, Karisa is also an active member of the Bank's Indigenous Inclusion and Diversity work group, contributing her voice and insights to help create a more inclusive workplace and community.

We are so proud to have Karisa as part of our Community Bank family. Next time you are in the branch, be sure to say hello, she is always happy to chat and help.

Celebrating Culture Through Art

Our team has partnered with Ayla Costello, owner of Jandakil Designs and an emerging Quandamooka artist based right here on Country in Meanjin. Ayla has created a powerful new artwork, Gunbing Gunbing (Two Wobbegongs), which will be proudly displayed in our branches and featured on custom-designed community shirts worn by our staff.

Gunbing Gunbing is a depiction of the connection between land, sea and people. Where the land parts at the top and base of the work, a warm stream carries Gunbing together. The sharks represent community, blending into their environment, interacting with other animals, and filtering to clean the waterways, which is a perfect example of how to care for and sustain a community. At the top of the work, a community circle represents the Ngugi, Noonuccal and Goenpul groups of the Quandamooka people, connecting to the land. In the centre is Wynnum, with its history leading into the present and path to the future.

Ayla's work continues a family legacy of artistic storytelling. Her Aunty Belinda Close and Aunty Alisha Thomson are the incredible women behind the existing artworks in our Victoria Point and Wynnum Manly branches, making this next-generation piece even more meaningful to us.

We are honoured to walk alongside these talented artists as part of our reconciliation journey, and we look forward to sharing this story with you in our branches and beyond.

You can see more of Ayla's work by visiting Jandakil Designs on Instagram.



Stay in the Loop

Community Grants Program

For information on how to apply for upcoming Grants and Sponsorship programs scan the QR code below.



Community Raffle

Register your interest to participate in our Community Raffle by scanning the QR code below.



Tokens of Appreciation

If you are a Community Organisation who would like to be considered for future Tokens of Appreciation programs, scan the QR code below to register your interest.



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