



# **Greg Piper MP**

## **Member for Lake Macquarie**



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#### **\$418,000 GRANTS FOR COMMUNITY BUILDING**

Greg Piper, Member for Lake Macquarie, today announced the successful Lake Macquarie applicants under the Government's Community Building Partnerships.

Mr Piper provided comments and recommendations on the suitability and priority of eligible applications, with the final decision being made by the Premier.

Successful applications came from a range of community interests, including Lake Macquarie City Council. The full list is below.

According to Mr Piper, the Community Building Partnership program will support local jobs, stimulate growth and improve community facilities.

"Typical funding is \$300,000 per electorate, but Lake Macquarie received an extra \$100,000 because of our high unemployment," Mr Piper said. "This was topped up to \$418,852.50 so that the most deserving projects could be funded."

"This will provide local employment and provide much-needed community facilities, such as improved sports facilities and venues for community groups," Mr Piper said.

The successful applicants showed that their projects will deliver positive results for the community," Mr Piper added. "There were a lot of applications and it's unfortunate that some projects missed out on funding."

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<b>Lake Macquarie</b>	<b>Fund allocation - \$400,000</b>	
<b>Applicant</b>	<b>Project Description</b>	<b>Funding</b>
Filipino Australian SCR of the Hunter Valley Inc.	the members kitchen and dining area building program, Boolaroo	\$30,000.00
Lake Macquarie City Council	the construction of disability access amenities at Speers Point Library	\$20,865.50
Lake Macquarie Football Club	constructing additional storage space and toilets to amenities building, at Speers points	\$45,000.00
Lake Macquarie Landcare Network	the purchase and installation of voltaic cells for the Lake Macquarie Landcare Network resource centre, Teralba	\$25,000.00
Newcastle Christian Outreach Centre TA Goodlife Global Care	the expansion of facilities to conduct a foodcare development project, Toronto	\$20,000.00
Our Community Place Inc	the dividing wall for Boolaroo Family Playhouse, Boolaroo	\$10,987.00
Rotary Club of Morisset	the extensions, Wyee Community Hall , Wyee	\$80,000.00
Toronto Amateur Sailing Club Inc	the extension to Toronto Amateur Sailing Club building, Toronto	\$95,000.00
Toronto Croquet Club Inc	the extension of existing shed, Toronto	\$12,000.00
Westlakes Districts Netball Association Inc	upgrade of court surface of Westlakes District Netball Association complex, Wangi Wangi	\$80,000.00
		\$418,852.50
<b>The table reflects the recommended projects following combined grading of the Member of Parliament and Independent Review Panels</b>		