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Ipswich community groups share in \$6,000

Four local community groups will share in \$6,000 of funding through the inaugural Swanbank Community Grants Program, Natural Resources and Mines and Energy Minister Stephen Robertson announced today.

Member for Bundamba Jo-Ann Miller welcomed the funding which will support charitable projects in the south west Brisbane and Ipswich area.

"This program makes a big difference to these community groups working to make our region a better place to live.

"Funds will support the groups' work to improve community facilities and services, school amenities and programs and our natural environment," Mrs Miller said.

"Kruger State School P&C, Lions Club of Ipswich, Ripley Valley Rural Fire Brigade and Vision Christian Family will share the \$6,000 in funding allocated for this round of the grants program.

"The successful projects include mobility tables for community education and craft activities, seating, and building extensions."

The Swanbank Community Grants Program is an initiative of CS Energy's Swanbank Power Station.

Station Manager, Alistair Brown said CS Energy is committed to the Ipswich region and improving the community and environment where we operate.

"The Community Grants Program is a way for the Swanbank Power Station to give back to our local community," Mr Brown said.

"We will be running the Community Grants Program twice this year, with a second round of funding for community groups on offer towards the end of the year." The successful recipients of this first round of funding were:

Organisation	Grant	Purpose
Vision Christian Family	\$1,000	Purchase of mobile folding
		pacer tables for community
		education and craft activities
Ripley Valley Rural Fire	\$2,000	Extension of fire brigade station
Brigade		shed
Lions Club of Ipswich	\$1,000	All weather seating and garden
		boxes at Nowlanville
		Residential Care
Kruger State School P&C	\$2,000	Playground seating at Kruger
		State School

For further information on the Swanbank Community Grants Program, please visit the Community section of the CS Energy website – <u>www.csenergy.com.au</u>.

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