

WACF Roadshow hits Kalgoorlie and Esperance

Western Australian Community Foundation (WACF) embarked on a series of regional presentations to all nine regional development commission areas last month with the first two being held at Kalgoorlie followed by Esperance. The aim is to introduce the WACF model of sustainable investment for all communities and to facilitate communication between local organisations for the greater good of their community.

Kalgoorlie have already benefited from WACF's 'Back to School' vouchers from the FRRR Sidney Myer Back to School Program for families in need when WACF teamed with local Anglicare regional offices to assist in distributing the vouchers to families in rural and remote areas of Western Australia.

WACF CEO, Kathryn Sydney-Smith teamed up with Community Development Coordinator, Trevor Chapman to stage the first presentation for WALGA Esperance Eastern Goldfields Zone at the City of Kalgoorlie council offices this was followed by a second presentation as a Community forum at the Paddy Hannah's Club where local business people and organisation attended. Then on the following Tuesday another presentation was held in Esperance

The 'Roadshow' coincides with WACF's one year anniversary and compliments the Information Summit the WACF is hosting in June. The regional visits both aim to inform and advise communities around the State about the work of the WACF.

WACF are grateful to Goldfields Esperance Development Commission who have been very helpful and have coordinated all the arrangements for these visits.

Launched in 2004, WACF provides a vehicle through which communities, corporates and individuals can donate, gift or bequest to the community in which they live. Established as an umbrella organisation this shared model approach to building philanthropy in WA reduces the cost and administrative burden on communities having to manage donations themselves. Funds are pooled and invested with the interest being distributed as grants for now and in the future.

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