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GCCN with the assistance of Bank Australia is making it easier to go green!

The Energise Gippsland Renewable Fund continues to provide solar installations for not for profit organisations. This fund pays entirely for the solar and the community group or not for profit returns the money with a 3 or 5 year simple lease agreement.

The fund has over 180kW of Solar on 5 properties with the Sale Neighbourhood House and the Briagolong Pony Club coming online this year. We are also assisting the Sale Badminton Club in making their stadium more energy efficient by installing LED lighting.

Our thanks to our corporate sponsors, Bank Australia, who have generously donated to the Fund through their impact funding. This gives a donation to eligible businesses and community groups to make putting solar on their roof even more cost effective and of course progressing us towards a renewable energy future.

The Energise Gippsland Renewable Fund has supported the installation of \$196,000 in solar panels and renewable energy equipment at five community facilities across Gippsland. As payments on the existing long-term leases are made, GCCN will reinvest money in the fund into other organisations' renewable energy assets. As at 30 June 2022, the renewable fund had \$70,880 for potential reinvestment.



Baw Baw Food Hub

\$2,000 Bank Australia Impact Fund

Baw Baw Food Hub in Warragul participated in the program and now have a 19kW solar system to lower their energy costs. The Hub have reduced their energy costs by 60% significantly reducing their CO₂ emissions which contributes to the sustainability of the organisation.

Earthworker Energy Manufacturing Cooperative

\$5,000 Bank Australia Impact Fund

Earthworker Energy Manufacturing Cooperative manufactures solar hot water products from their factory in Morwell. As part of a worker cooperative, those who work at Earthworker have an equal say and share in how the business is run. And now they are also able to share in the savings from the 18kW solar system installed at the factory.



ENERGISE GIPPSLAND: RENEWABLE FUND



381+
tonnes
of **CO₂**
emissions
reduced
per year



Total of
188+ kW
solar
systems
installed



Potential of
\$75,000 p.a
total savings for
the **Gippsland**
community

Neerim Health \$7,500 Bank Australia Impact Fund

Neerim Health, one of Victoria's last bush health centres run by a volunteer board, had 126kW Rockys Electrical solar installation completed. Electricity generated from the hospital's solar will cost around \$35,000 less per year than using traditional electricity, and the hospital board has already seen promising benefits in a service sector known for its need to operate at top standard.



Briagolong Pony Club \$3,000 Bank Australia Impact Fund

The Briagolong Pony Club have invested in an off grid solar and battery system for their new clubrooms. Using recycled materials provided by Elecsome Pty. Ltd. and the skills of Daniel from Gilded Electrical the system is up and running. The club was able to get the complete system for a simple repayment of \$300 per quarter for the next three years.

Sale Neighbourhood House \$3,500 Bank Australia Impact Fund

The Sale Neighbourhood House was able to transition to clean solar power and save money on their power bills. Rockys Solar installed 8.55kW reducing an estimated 5.1 tonnes of CO₂ and a lifetime savings of \$84,000 with no deposit and an easy repayment lease.

