#### 2018 GRANTS by Northern Rivers Community Foundation (NRCF) www.nrcf.org.au

#### BYRON BAY COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

**Connect Coffee Thinking Outside the Box** – a hospitality training program empowering local women to move out of disadvantage via pathways to employment and community inclusion.

### DISABLED SURFERS ASSOCIATION FAR NORTH COAST - YAMBA, auspiced by Disabled Surfers Association Aust.

**Surf n Turf Beach Wheelchair** – replacing tired old beach wheel chairs with the latest equipment. This equipment is imperative to transport Disabled and Challenged Participants in and out of the water safely and with dignity. These chairs also take a massive load off the many volunteers.

## FUTURE DREAMERS GIRLS CLUB INC, auspiced by THE UNCLE PROJECT Inc

**Future Dreamers TV** – a youth driven intitative that empowers girls and young women from the Northern Rivers with the knowledge and skills to create short films for the digital environment. These short films will become 'pilot' episodes for a new initiative "Future Dreamers TV."

#### **HEARTFELT HOUSE**

The refurbishment of Heartfelt House facility to support the 'Taking the First Steps' Group Therapy Program – for survivors of childhood sexual abuse.

## LISMORE SUICIDE PREVENTION STERRING COMMITTEE, auspiced by LIFELINE DIRECT LTD

**Suicide Prevention Story Circle** - Creating a group where local people who have been suicidal can share their experiences through stories and art works.

## **LOWER CLARENCE COMMUNITY RADIO**

**Healthy Air Project** – to refurbish the local community radio station with air conditioning, in particular the broadcast equipment room and the presenter's studio to protect against high summer temperatures. This is the only radio station in the Lower Clarence area.

#### MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT GROUP

People who suffer mental illness are stigmatised, lonely and often abandoned by family and friends. This program provides emergency packs of toiletries and clothing for the welfare of patients in Lismore Adult Mental Health Unit and Byron Central Hospital Mental Health Unit.

## **MURWILLUMBAH COMMUNITY CENTRE INC**

MAJOR GRANT - To re-establish their community food pantry and food security program which was wiped out from the Cyclone Debbie floods of March 2017.

## POTTSVILLE AND DISTRICT MEN'S SHED, auspiced by the Australian Men's Shed Association

"Cool it" – to purchase and install a split system air conditioning unit in the meeting/activity room of the Pottsville and District Men's Shed. The primary objective of the men's shed is to support the mental health of predominantly male retirees.

#### RIDING FOR THE DISABLED - BALLINA & DISTRICT

Horse Riding Coach First Aid Certificate – the project will pay for the horse riding coaches to do first aid courses. All coaches are volunteers.

# RIDING FOR THE DISABLED TWEED, auspiced by Riding for the Disabled Association NSW

**Electrical fit-out of toilet and shower facility** – to supply and install power and lighting to a new septic toilet and shower facility, for disabled riders and able-bodied carers and volunteers.

#### **SHAPING OUTCOMES TWEED**

The Parent Project – 7 week course focusing on improving the wellbeing and knowledge of parents who are carers of a child with developmental delay or disability.

## STORY DOGS LTD

Helping over 200 disadvantaged children learn to read, to become confident lifelong readers. The project supports leaders to recruit, train and place new dog teams into needy schools in the Lismore region.

### THE SHIFT PROJECT BYRON

**The SHIFT Angels** – a social enterprise business for women who are homeless or at risk of homelessness. The Shift Angels will provide a commercial laundry service for 5 star accommodation in Byron Bay.

## TWEED PALLIATIVE SUPPORT INC

Medical Equipment for Community Palliative Care in the Northern Rivers - The urgently needed medical equipment includes Portable Oxygen Concentrators and Pressure Mattresses that will provide comfort and support during end-for-life care.

## **UNITINGCARE CASINO TRANSPORT TEAM**

Transport Assistance for low socio-economic elderly residents to receive medical treatment, in the Richmond Valley.

## **WOMEN UP NORTH HOUSING**

**LOVE BITES** - a violence prevention program for young people designed to educate them about domestic violence & sexual assault, delivered in three schools across the Northern Rivers: Casino, Kyogle and Bonalbo Central School.

## YAEGL LOCAL ABORIGINAL LAND COUNCIL

**Targeting Healthy Eating Program** –aimed at disadvantaged Aboriginal families within the Lower Clarence (Maclean) communities who are not receiving the daily nutritional requirements. Primarily aimed at children, the program will subsidise costs of fruit and vegetables, supported by the Aboriginal Medical Service and local school.