

The **Local Buying Program (LBP)** was launched at **BHP Mt Arthur Coal (MAC)** in March 2016 to provide opportunities for small business in the Muswellbrook, Singleton and Upper Hunter Shires to competitively supply goods and services to MAC.

The LBP is delivered in partnership between BHP and C-Res. **C-Res** is a cost neutral entity that proudly delivers the LBP for all BHP Minerals Australia core assets.

Approved Spend **\$2,693,715**

(Work Instructions with Purchase Orders)

To small business in:



Average Payment Days **12.2**

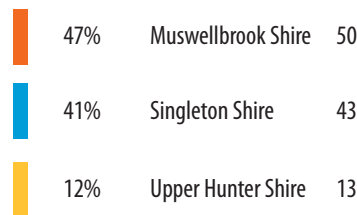
(From receipt of invoice)



Local Business Participation **106**

(Approved Suppliers)

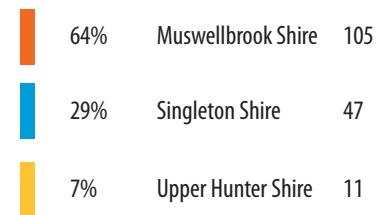
To small business in:



Approved Work Opportunities **163**

(Approved Work Instructions)

To small business in:



Since Inception (2012): Approved Spend **\$6,198,931** | Average Payment Days **12.2** | Approved Work Opportunities **399**



Since the launch in May 2017 the LBF has:

- Established a LBF Advisory Committee of local stakeholders
- Launched NSW LBF website
- Released First Funding round

LOCAL BUYING FOUNDATION

AN INITIATIVE OF THE LOCAL BUYING PROGRAM

Local Buying Foundation Advisory Committee members reviewed the first round funding applications from Muswellbrook, Singleton and Upper Hunter business support organisations on 30 November 2017.

There are four funding rounds in 2018 for projects that support business development activities for Muswellbrook, Singleton and Upper Hunter Shires. Visit www.localbuyingfoundation.com.au for funding guidelines, application forms and closing dates.