

# FINANCIAL YEAR TO DATE SUMMARY

NEW SOUTH WALES | JULY 01, 2021 TO SEPTEMBER 30, 2021

**The Local Buying Program (LBP) in New South Wales provides opportunities for small, local and Indigenous businesses in Muswellbrook, Singleton and Upper Hunter Shires to competitively supply goods and services to BHP Mt Arthur Coal and BHP Operations Services. The LBP commenced in NSW in 2016 and is delivered in partnership between BHP and C-Res.**

The commitment of BHP Buyers to source from small, local and Indigenous businesses via the Local Buying Program results in funding provided to the Local Buying Foundations (LBF).

The Foundation is a critical element of the LBP. Each state has its own Foundation and is governed by an LBF Advisory Committee, made up of local industry, government and community representatives.

Funding is awarded to programs and initiatives which contribute to building stronger and more resilient local businesses, and support sustainable and vibrant regional economies.

The Local Buying Program and Local Buying Foundations are delivered in partnership between BHP and C-Res across all BHP Minerals Australia Assets and BHP Western Australian Petroleum.

Actual Spend

**\$2,917,314**

Work Opportunities approved

**181**

Payments to local businesses

**556**

BHP Buyers creating Work Opportunities

**29**

Approved Suppliers

**115**

Average Payment Days (from receipt of invoice)

**5.8**



# LBP NSW Financial Year To Date results



## MUSWELLBROOK SHIRE

Actual Spend

**\$1,061,479**

Approved Suppliers

**53**

Approved Work Opportunities

**119**

## SINGLETON SHIRE

Actual Spend

**\$1,662,851**

Approved Suppliers

**40**

Approved Work Opportunities

**48**

## UPPER HUNTER SHIRE

Actual Spend

**\$96,161**

Approved Suppliers

**15**

Approved Work Opportunities

**9**

## OTHER

Actual Spend

**\$96,823**

Approved Suppliers

**7**

Approved Work Opportunities

**5**

\* OTHER - Exemption includes Out of Region, Indigenous Business, Specialised Supplier, Traditional Owner, Not Eligible

## Local business supports Mt Arthur to keep the community safe

BHP reacted quickly as the COVID-19 pandemic escalated in NSW. Mt Arthur Coal was one of the first mines in the state to implement site based Rapid Antigen Testing (RAT).

A medical partner was urgently needed to set up a world class testing facility in the region, resulting in accommodation services required for the medical team.

Site engaged LBP accommodation supplier, John Hunter Motel, as they have a proven track record in providing suitable accommodation for large groups. This engagement proved imperative to the health and safety of the BHP workforce, local contractors, local economies and communities.

The commercial engagement with a local supplier, who is under COVID-19 trading restraints, has contributed to the sustainability of the business during uncertain times, whilst also contributing to the local economy.



Learn more about Local Buying Program Since Inception stats and how the Program is positively impacting our regions.

# LBF Financial Year To Date results



## NSW Local Buying Foundation Highlights

July 01, 2021 to September 30, 2021

Funds received into Foundation

**\$41,792**

Project Value Approved

**\$0**

Projects Approved

**0**



## Business development support during COVID-19 lockdown provided by local chambers

**The Local Buying Foundation and BHP are working with the Chambers in the Upper Hunter, Muswellbrook and Singleton shires to offer support for projects and programs that align with the Foundation guidelines and build business and business communities.**

During the current times and impacts of COVID-19, the funding of key people for each of the Muswellbrook, Singleton and Scone Chambers has been essential to ensure small businesses have access to support and up to date information during such turbulent times.

During lockdown these Chambers have provided members and other community stakeholders the opportunity to connect, support, collaborate and network through a number of important and

innovative initiatives. These include the Business Support Forums, Care Packs for businesses doing it tough and up to date newsletters and information. The chambers have also offered an ear to anyone seeking business updates or an understanding on important government rules and regulations.

**Learn more about LBF funded projects and initiatives which have contributed to the sustainability and vitality of our regional communities.**



# Looking Ahead

## Small, local, and Indigenous Business Engagement takes off at Mt Arthur Mine

**C-Res and BHP actively engage with Indigenous suppliers to perform the work requirements for Mt Arthur Mine.**

The works are varied, and include slashing, fencing, outbuilding demolition, feral animal control and scrub/weed eradication. The engagements have unlocked a new pool of suppliers/vendors for BHP to source on an ongoing basis and therefore encouraging local Indigenous suppliers to collaborate on works at BHP Mt Arthur Mine.



As the number of Indigenous businesses being engaged continues to increase significantly, the number of work opportunities being approved are also increasing. The Local Buying Program continues to prioritise the delivery of essential support measures which ensure growth opportunities for Indigenous supply partners in the Upper Hunter.

### Traditional Owner and Indigenous Business Highlights

July 01, 2021 to September 30, 2021

Actual Spend

**\$112,596**

Work Opportunities Approved

**16**

Approved Indigenous Businesses

**7**

Payments to local Indigenous Businesses

**11**



**LOCAL BUYING PROGRAM**  
BUILDING OUR FUTURE TOGETHER

**BHP** **C-RES**  
COMMUNITY RESOURCING  
FOR THE FUTURE  
PROUDLY DELIVERING THE LOCAL BUYING PROGRAM IN PARTNERSHIP

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