

## Limestone Coast Fund My Idea winners announced

A program to pay tribute to the bravery of South Australian firefighters and an initiative to raise awareness of the harm caused by the drug Ice have secured funding through the State Government's innovative *Fund My Idea* grants program.

Fund My Idea gives regional communities access to up to \$50,000 for local projects with the community able to vote on which projects secure funding. A round of the program is held to coincide with each Country Cabinet meeting.

Regional Development Minister Geoff Brock said 39 ideas were put forward during the Limestone Coast round of the program with two winners chosen for funding.

“\$30,000 will go to Gener8 Theatre to finalise a program working with young people and community groups to use theatre as a way of raising awareness of the harm caused by the drug Ice.

“Funding for Gener8 will also help support programs targeted at migrant groups, people living with a disability and members of the region's Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Intersex and Queer community.

“\$20,000 will go towards the establishment of a memorial wall in Naracoorte paying tribute to those volunteer fire fighters who lost their lives while fighting wild fires around South Australia.”

“The great thing about *Fund My Idea* is that we see the creativity and passion of people living in regional South Australia come to the fore,” Mr Brock said.

“These are programs put forward by the community to be run locally and, ultimately, voted on by the community.

Mr Brock congratulated each of the winning entries in this round of Fund My Idea and thanked those Limestone Coast residents who voted for their favourite projects.

“Ultimately, these projects are about getting the community more involved in Government decision making, and I thank everyone involved in this round of Fund My Idea – both those who submitted projects, and those who voted.”

Find out more about Fund My Idea at <http://yoursay.sa.gov.au/decisions/fund-my-idea-limestone-coast>

The Government's response to issues raised during the Limestone Coast Country Cabinet is now available at <http://yoursay.sa.gov.au/decisions/country-cabinet-limestone-coast/outcome>