

Upper Murray Community Recovery

Bushfire Recovery - where is it up to and where to from here?

Establishing Community Recovery Committees

Community Recovery Committees (CRC's) provide an avenue for community members to have a voice throughout the Recovery phase by sharing views and aspirations. While an interim recovery committee was established to guide immediate recovery needs, an ongoing Upper Murray Community Recovery Committee will now be established.

The Committee will act as a collective, helping to guide local priorities and shape future direction, supported by a number of local action groups. The CRC will provide direction on community needs and priorities to the Municipal Recovery Committee which is co-chaired by Council and Bushfire Recovery Victoria. To get involved in either your local action group or the Upper Murray Community Recovery Committee, please contact the Recovery team at email recovery@towong.vic.gov.au or call 1800 518 222.

Community Recovery Meetings

Towong Shire Council is hosting a series of community meetings to provide the latest updates on where Recovery is up to and where to from here.

The sessions will provide background and updates on

- Recovery priorities
- Community Recovery Committees and Local Action Groups
- Grocon clean-up
- Property secondary impact assessments
- Introduction to Local Area Recovery Officer

Council staff and representatives from supporting agencies will be present to hear your concerns and answer any queries.

In light of COVID19 Council will be making the sessions available via video. Information will also be provided direct to households - call the Recovery Helpline on 1800 518 222 for further detail.

Support for Agricultural Producers and Small Business

Financial Counsellors are available from AgBiz Assist to provide assistance and advice on available grants, accessing concessional loans and financial matters.

Appointments are available at the Upper Murray Recovery Hub in Corryong, at the Walwa Bush Nursing Centre or by arranging an on-site visit. Call 1300 834 775 to arrange. Services are free, independent and confidential.

Location	Date	Time
Thowgla Hall	Wednesday 18th March	6.30 – 7.30pm
Tintaldra Hotel	Thursday 19th March	6 - 7pm
Biggara Hall	Monday 23rd March	11 - 12pm
Lucyvale Hall	Monday 23rd March	5:30 – 6:30pm
Walwa Hall	Wednesday 25th March	11 -12pm
Cudgewa Hotel	Wednesday 25th March	5 - 6pm
Nariel Fire Station	Thursday 26th March	11 – 12pm
Corryong Memorial Hall	Thursday 26th March	5 - 6pm
Towong Hall	Friday 27th March	6 - 7pm

Registrations for Tank Water Refills Close March 30th

If the tank water that you rely on as your sole household drinking water has been fire-affected, contact and register for a tank rinse and 5,000L refill with South East Water on 13 18 51 by 30th March 2020.

If you have already received a refill and are in need of a second, please also register your interest - South East Water will review applications.

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Recovery Contacts

- **Upper Murray Community Recovery Hub:** Cnr Donaldson St & Towong Rd Corryong, Open 9am-4.30pm Monday-Friday
- **Towong Shire Council Recovery Helpline:** 1800 518 222 or email recovery@towong.vic.gov.au
- **Bushfire Recovery Victoria - Case Support Coordinators:** 1800 560 760 or email connect@brv.vic.gov.au
- **Register for the Bushfire Clean-Up Program:** 1800 560 760 or visit vic.gov.au/bushfire-clean-up-program
- **Resources and Updates:** Visit towong.vic.gov.au or vic.gov.au/bushfire-recovery-victoria