

Fire Recovery Newsletter

We're here to help YOU

If you have any questions, or need more information please call 1300 656 564 or email recovery@moyne.vic.gov.au

For the most up-to-date information, please visit www.moyne.vic.gov.au/recovery

How Moyne Shire Can Help- Waste - you dispose, we pay

We're covering the costs of waste disposal to those in the fire affected area.

If you need skips or bins please organise and then **send the bill to Moyne Shire**. You can also get contractor to dispose of waste and provide an itemised account - **we will pay the bill**. Alternatively, you can transport waste to the Naroghid Landfill or Badhams Lane where costs will be waived. If you go to another landfill site in the area please **send us the bill**.

If you need to dispose of asbestos **please call**: Brant at Murrhys's 0438 584 346, to organise disposal. Again, **we'll pay the bill**.

Drinking Water

We can help assess the water quality for tanks and storage units. **Please call Moyne Shire**: 1300 656 564. Wannon Water will fill water tanks, **please call**: Wayne Murdoch 0428 461 020.

Financial Assistance

Emergency Relief and Re-establishment Assistance is now being made available to eligible fire-affected community members. Individuals in Moyne can now access emergency assistance to relieve personal hardship and distress:

- Personal Hardship Assistance Payments, which provide payments of up to \$540 per adult and \$270 per child (up to a maximum of \$1,890 per household) are available to help meet immediate needs, including emergency food, shelter, clothing, and personal items.
- Emergency Re-establishment Assistance provides up to \$40,700 per eligible household that has been affected by fire at their primary place of residence. The grants are available for eligible clean-up, emergency accommodation, repairs, rebuilding (a principal place of residence), and replacing some damaged contents.

Please call: VicEmergency on 1800 226 226 for more information.

Financial Counselling

Free and independent financial information, options, decision support and referral services are available. The Rural Financial Counselling Service provides free rural financial counselling to farmers, fishing enterprises, forestry growers and harvesters, and small, related businesses suffering financial hardship.

This service can help farmers make informed decisions and work through the implications.

Please call: RCFS: 1800 686 175 or Western RFCS 1300 735 578 or www.rfcs.gov.au

CBA Assistance

Commonwealth Bank is providing its emergency assistance package for customers and businesses affected by bushfires in south-western Victoria. Services include expediting claims to Commlnsure for customers seeking help through their home, contents and motor vehicle insurance.

Affected customers are invited to discuss their individual circumstances, **please call:** 1300 720 814 or visiting their nearest Commonwealth Bank branch.

More information can be found at www.commbank.com.au/emergencyassistance

If you want to help

Cash Donations

South West Victorian Bushfire Appeal

Funds raised will be distributed to charitable organisations working with communities that are directly impacted by recent fires or subsequent aftermath of the disaster.

Donate at your nearest Bendigo Bank branch or online at bendigobank.com.au/southwestvicbushfire

Blaze Aid

Online at www.blazeaid.com.au

Feed and Fodder

Contact the Victorian Farmers Federation on 1300 882 833 or visit www.vff.org.au/support

Donate your Labour

Blaze Aid

For anyone wishing to donate time and skills with fencing please contact Barry on 0437 397 665 (Macarthur) Chris on 0418 745 994 (Cobden) or Vicki on 0437 817 330 (Terang).

Personal Support

Lifeline: 1300 11 14. Men's Line: 1300 78 9978. Kid's Help Line: 1800 55 1800.
Nurse on Call: 1300 60 6024