



Issue 3 — 18 May 2016



**URGENT
action required
Closing 31 May 2016**



Applications closing 31 May 2016 Lord Mayors Distress Relief Funding

The Lord Mayor Distress Relief Fund (LMDRF) is a WA emergency fund that is managed by the City of Perth. The fund is used to raise and coordinate donations to support the victims of natural disasters occurring in Western Australia. More than \$8 million has been raised.

Any affected persons within the fire zone are strongly encouraged to apply especially owners of rural properties. The funding categories do recognize losses such as **fencing** and water tanks.

Applications are available from the Shire of Waroona website or the Lord Mayor Distress Relief Fund website:

www.waroona.wa.gov.au

www.appealswa.org.au

To send a written application please post to the Shire of Waroona, PO Box 20, Waroona WA 6215

or

email to warshire@waroona.wa.gov.au no later than **31 May 2016**.

If you require assistance in your application please call the Shire on 9733 7800.

Shout out to BLAZE Aid

It is clear to the shire that the work and assistance that BlazeAid provided during the months has lifted the spirits and assisted the farming community recover and secure their farms much quicker than they would have imagined.

To all the BlazeAid teams and families we thank you.

To all the local community groups that came in every day, 7 days a week and provided logistical and welfare support to the Volunteers, we thank you.

**Cr Noel Dew
Shire President**



Your CRC centre continues to be your connection with the latest information and support services available to you and your family.
Call: 9733 3011

Thank you to REDCROSS Volunteers

The Shire of Waroona would like to express our heartfelt appreciation to all the many volunteers who have worked so hard helping the community effected during our recent outreach program. There are just so many wonderful people that have contributed to peoples safety and wellbeing during this program. Our thanks and gratitude to you all, we are so lucky to live among such an amazing community which of course includes all those from around the WA community who have come to aid.

Farming Community

On behalf of the Fire Affected Farmers of Waroona, we would like to express our thanks, gratitude and appreciation to Stephen Brown of the WA Farmers Federation for providing the food and the Rotary Club of Pinjarra for cooking and attending the Farmers in the Paddock/Shearing Shed Breakfast last Friday at Anthony & Gill Snell's farm.

We have heard that there were over 61 people there and that it was enjoyed by all. The Breakfast was successful people standing around chatting until after 10:00am.

There have been some farm gates donated and those wishing to who would like to register for a free gate, please call on Donna 0427089499 to enable the collation of the data required.





Department of
Agriculture and Food



DAFWA—WANDRA

(Western Australia Natural Disaster Relief and Recovery Arrangements)

Farming Support Information session

When: Thursday 26 May,

Session 1: 9am-10am

Session 2: 1pm-2pm

Where: Department of Agriculture and Food
DAFWA Office, 120 South West Hwy Waroona

On the day we will have Tony from Keystart Country Home Loans who will be in attendance to speak with interested farmers.

Here is a link that includes the information which is currently on the DAFWA website.

https://www.agric.wa.gov.au/search?search_api_views_fulltext=erosion

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Australian Red Cross
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Bushfire Recovery information night for Shire of Waroona community members

**Red Cross invites you to a talk by
Rob Gordon***

Interested to know how you can support friends & family?

Want to know what are normal reactions to events like this?

Can't talk about how the fires have impacted you?

*Rob Gordon is a Recovery Expert who has worked with communities impacted by disasters for more than 30 years. He can help us to understand our reactions to what has happened and provide practical advice on recovery and what to expect in the coming months and years.

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Date: Wednesday 25th May

Time: 2.00pm – 4.00pm

Venue: Waroona Memorial Hall

Tea, Coffee and light refreshments provided

For further information please call 0448 713 604



www.redcross.org.au

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power of
humanity



Prioritise your wellbeing.

You are going through a highly stressful experience. It is normal that you might be having strong emotional reactions such as sadness, anger, anxiety and frustration. You may also be finding it hard to concentrate, think clearly or make decisions, this is also normal after an emergency event. It takes time, but stress reactions will fade if you have the right information and look after your wellbeing. Get more information by visiting:

<http://redcross.org.au/self-care.aspx>

Or if you feel you need more individual support contact the Emergency Service resilience officer on;

0417 457 583



Am I eligible?

There has been talk and confusion about who is eligible when it comes to the DAFWA/WANDRA in regards to what is a major road? Do farmers need to have debt to be eligible?

The main thing to remember is to **not** "Self-assess" eligibility for funding.

The simple answer is to lodge your claim and the department will assess your situation on a case by case basis.

Get in Touch, Stay in Touch

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