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WAR MEMORIALS BENEFIT FROM FUNDING

The NSW Government is spending close to \$200,000 to restore and repair community war memorials, Minister for Citizenship and Communities Victor Dominello announced today.

Mr Dominello, who is responsible for Veterans' Affairs, said 24 memorials will benefit from grants of up to \$19,000 from the Community War Memorials Fund.

"War memorials in towns and suburbs across NSW will be upgraded and maintained, due to more than \$196,000 in NSW Government funding," Mr Dominello said.

"This funding will help to protect and restore community war memorials that stand as reminders of our State's fallen soldiers.

"As communities begin to plan local commemorations for the Centenary of Anzac (2014-18) the significance of these war memorials will increase," Mr Dominello said.

Projects approved for grants include the upgrading of the Commando Memorial, dedicated to those who served in the Afghanistan conflict, at Sydney's Holsworthy Military Base.

Ten stolen plaques containing the names of fallen servicemen will be replaced at the Five Dock and Whitford memorials in Five Dock Park. At Cowra, the Locomotive Depot War Memorial fountain will be restored.

"The next round of applications to the Community War Memorials Fund will close on Friday, 11 October. I encourage any community that needs funds for its memorial to consider this program," Mr Dominello said.

"The NSW Government is ensuring the sacrifices of our servicemen and women are remembered with dignity and respect."

Applications are considered by a State War Memorials Committee, made up of representatives of the NSW RSL, NSW Government Architect's Office and NSW Veterans' Affairs (Office of Communities).

For more information, including application forms, please visit the website at <u>www.veterans.nsw.gov.au</u>.

Details of the 24 grant recipients follow on the next page.

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Grant recipient	Project	Funding	Electorate
Tumbarumba Shire Council	Tumbarumba War Memorial Cnr Bridge and Winton Streets, Tumbarumba	\$10,000	Albury
	Developing specifications for replacing obelisk, concreting behind obelisk to assist drainage, slate pathway to link monuments.		
City of Albury RSL Sub Branch	Albury War Memorial Two new paths connecting Memorial precinct, landscaping.	\$5,455	Albury
Lithgow Public School P& C Association	Lithgow Public School Memorial Gates Cnr Eskbank Street and Mort Street, Lithgow Restoration of Memorial Gates.	\$20,000	Bathurst
Tarana and Fish River Development Group	Tarana Honour Roll WW1 and WW2O'Connell Road, TaranaRestoring gold lettering on both sides of memorial, polishing designated panels on granite stone sides, repointing stone base, realigning concrete support stone.	\$3,500	Bathurst
Cowra Shire Council on behalf of Lachlan Valley Railway	Cowra Locomotive Depot War Memorial Fountain 3 Campbell Street, Cowra Restoration of fountain, marble panels, restoration of garden.	\$13,000	Burrinjuck
Cowra RSL Sub Branch	Two display cases for all conflicts since WWI Cowra RSL Sub Branch Supply and fitting of display cabinets, shelves, brackets.	\$6,148	Burrinjuck
Bondi Junction- Waverley RSL Sub Branch	Waverley Soldier's Memorial Waverley Park, Bondi Rd, Waverley Extensive regilding of lettering on Memorial.	\$19,000	Coogee
Ku-ring-gai Council	Pymble Soldiers' Memorial Park Mona Vale Road, Pymble Memorial restorative stonework program.	\$10,000	Davidson

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Ku-ring-gai Council	West Pymble Community War Memorial Ku-ring-gai Bicentennial Park, Lofberg Road, West Pymble	\$10,000	Davidson
	Relocation and upgrading of two memorials and surrounds at Community War Memorial Hall site.		
Ku-ring-gai Council	RAAF Station Bradfield Park Memorial Queen Elizabeth Reserve, 19 Bradfield Rd, West Lindfield	\$3,000	Davidson
	Provision of interpretive information for the site.		
Ku-ring-gai Council	Army Relief Map, St Ives Showground	\$3,000	Davidson
	Interpretive sign and plaque to explain history of Army Relief Map and use of the site in WWII by 18 th Battalion.		
Canada Bay Council	Five Dock War Memorial and Whitford Memorial, Five Dock Park	\$10,000	Drummoyne
	Reinstating of 10 stolen plaques and repair to damage.		
Gosford City Council	Main Memorial Gosford Park	\$10,000	Gosford
	Conservation works and repointing, scaffolding, cut, remove joints & refill, apply high water pressure cleaner.		
Gosford City Council	Woy Woy War Memorial Memorial Park, Brick Wharf Road, Woy Woy	\$10,000	Gosford
	Indent repair work on sandstone cenotaph.		
Thirroul RSL Sub Branch	Wall of Remembrance Woodward Park, Thirroul	\$2,773	Heathcote
	Replacement of pavers in front of Wall of Remembrance.		
Hornsby Shire Council	Hornsby District War Memorial Cnr Pacific Highway and Station Street, Hornsby	\$10,000	Hornsby
	Cleaning trachyte cenotaph, repointing joints, investigating water ingress in cenotaph.		

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RSL NSW Branch on	Commando Memorial (Afghanistan	\$13,500	Menai
behalf of Holsworthy Military Base	conflict) Holsworthy Barracks		
Military Base			
	Completion of sandstone capping and		
	sandstone wall to hold the names of the		
	fallen.		
Junee Shire Council	Junee Cenotaph	\$3,950	Murrumbidgee
	Broadway, Junee		C C
	Desilding penals on Constants		
	Regilding panels on Cenotaph.		
Forster-Tuncurry Sub	Tuncurry Memorial	\$10,000	Myall Lakes
Branch	Memorial Park Point, Road Tuncurry		-
	Supply and construction of 154 or matro		
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	power & power box, new flag pole.		
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Greater Taree City Council	Taree War Memorial Clock Tower Fotheringham Park, Taree	\$2,700	Myall Lakes
Council			
	Removing stains from sandstone base,		
	cleaning agent to return sandstone to		
	original colour.		
South West Rock RSL	South West Rocks Cenotaph	\$3,500	Oxley
Sub Branch	Cnr Livingstone Avenue and Ocean Drive,		
	South West Rocks		
	Building of path to area accommodating		
	10 bronze plaques.		
Tilligerry RSL Sub	Tilligerry War Memorial	\$2,600	Port Stephens
Branch	Tilligerry RSL Sports Club, 230 Lemon	φ2,000	Full Stephens
Dranon	Tree Passage Road, Tanilba Bay		
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	Two granite plinths to place plaques.		
Woollahra Council	Double Bay War Memorial	\$7,500	Vaucluse
	Steyne Park, William Street, Double Bay		
	Waterblast clean pathway and base of		
	memorial, installation of lighting.		
Woollahra Council	Rose Bay War Memorial	\$7,140	Vaucluse
	Lyne Park, Cnr New South Head Rd, Rose Bay		
	Repair of copper based element, brass		
	gates, spring in gate, and providing concrete kerb to inside of garden bed.		
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