

Building on lessons from New South Wales

The Disaster Resilient: Future Ready model has been piloted in three communities in NSW - Ocean Shores, Wee Waa and North Richmond.

Each community is either at-risk of or has already experienced the impact of a natural disaster. Most importantly, they have the capacity and interest to participate in this growing approach to developing community-led preparedness.

For the last two years, local leaders have been using the model to identify priority community initiatives, which FRRR is currently supporting with grants and other resources.

The projects in the three communities are being monitored and evaluated to help determine best practice approaches that can be adopted and adapted on a national scale for other communities, so they too can improve their preparedness and resilience.

Learn more about what the three communities are doing on FRRR's website.



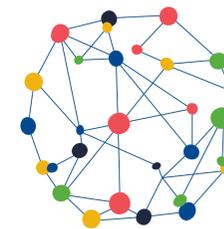
About FRRR

FRRR was established in 2000 by the Australian Government and the Sidney Myer Fund as a partnership between philanthropy, governments and business to stimulate rural and regional renewal in Australia.

FRRR is the only national Australian organisation focused solely on rural, regional and remote communities and offering small, discretionary grants. We can fund almost any kind of charitable project, including economic development.

Since our inception, FRRR has distributed more than \$100 million in grants to over 10,000 community projects and provided substantial capacity building support to community organisations across the nation to achieve positive social, cultural and economic change.

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Helping communities
better prepare for
natural disasters



Disaster Resilient: Future Ready

FRRR and our partners know that communities that are supported to build their capacity are better able to respond to the impacts of natural disasters. That's why we have developed the Disaster Resilient: Future Ready program (DR:FR).

Based on leading research and practice in community-led natural disaster preparedness in a rural context, the DR:FR model gets people actively involved in determining what it will take for their community to be well prepared before, and bounce back stronger and better, after a disaster.

This multi-stage program takes a practical, inclusive approach, working with communities to understand the skills and resources needed, and any barriers that may hinder communities from being better prepared for the next natural disaster. The program focuses on local people identifying the things they believe will better prepare them in times of natural disaster.

Once this has been done, FRRR provides resources to implement the project(s) that they have identified to improve their resilience in the face of disaster.



Coming to Victoria

We are currently in the process of identifying suitable communities in Victoria who may be willing to participate in the DR:FR program. Learnings from the NSW pilot (which you can read about overleaf) have informed the Victorian rollout.

Once we have narrowed down the potential communities, we will visit them to learn about the challenges and opportunities, past experiences with disasters, and generally establish the community's readiness to participate in the program.

Communities will be able to express interest in becoming one of three participating communities. We expect to announce the chosen communities by June 2020.

From there, as the roadmap below outlines, champions in the communities selected will participate in the community capacity and resilience-building program in June, including mentoring over four months. We'll then work with each community to identify what projects will make the biggest difference. FRRR will play a facilitating role, connecting communities with the resources and experts they need, and with each other to share lessons along the way.

The program will run during 2020/2021, and culminate in a report that other communities can learn from.

If you'd like to know more, get in touch with the DR:FR program team on 1800 170 020 or email info@frrr.org.au.

Victoria Roadmap

