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Goal 1: a strong economic Base

A strong and diversified economic base is essential to economic growth. Our Economic Development team has worked with new and existing businesses to bring investment and jobs growth to the region.

Some of these projects take several years to move from concept to realisation and involve high degrees of confidentiality.

Incentives offered through the South Australian Regional Development Fund and South Australian River Murray Sustainability Program have assisted to encourage investment in our region.

SA Motorsport Park

The region will soon be home to the new \$80m SA Motorsport Park. Owned by the Peregrine Corporation, the Park will provide \$236m in Gross State Product, 1,631 Jobs (FTE), and bring 339,000 new visitors to the region. This project has been more than ten years in the making and is the result of the vision and facilitation provided by the MRDB and later RDAMR, to our local Government partner and the business community.

The RDA has been a large player in the development of the SA Motorsports Project. The former Murraylands Regional Development Board (MRDB) identified the potential for the site almost a decade ago when it was a testing track for Mitsubishi. MRDB approached Mitsubishi and the Coorong District Council to discuss council acquiring the underused facility. This transaction proceeded and in 2013 the council asked for expressions of interest on the land. The Peregrine Corporation were successful in their bid and the property settled in June this year.



Almond Centre of Excellence

This year RDAMR welcomed the State Governments engagement and negotiations with the Almond Board of Australia (ABA) and subsequent announcement of a \$4m State Government contribution to establish the Almond Centre of excellence in the Riverland, a project that will result in over \$10m of investment in the region.

The Almond Centre of Excellence will be based at Loxton in the redeveloped Loxton Research Centre. With a low Australian dollar and increasing production volumes the Australian Almond industry is poised for significant growth.

Dairy Processing

In early 2015, it was announced that United Dairy Products (UDP) was being placed into administration placing 130 jobs at risk. RDAMR worked behind the scenes to ensure there was support for the UDP staff and contractors, and also to engage with potential new investors for the Murray Bridge and Jervois sites.

While RDAMR was unable to secure a buyer for the site to maintain the previous UDP workforce, we were able to work with several of the investors bidding on the sites including the successful Beston Pacific who hope to employ 12 FTE at the sites by September 2015.

Other Projects

- o Expansion of Australian Portable Camps
- o Expansion of Thomas Foods International's beef processing facilities
- o Murray Bridge Waterfront Masterplan
- o Chicken production expansion
- o Expansion of the Bridgeport Hotel
- o Fertiliser opportunities
- o Logistics expansion
- o Bickfords investment in the Riverland
- o Almond industry expansion
- o The Riverland Complex

Photo courtesy of SA Motorsport Park

Goal 2: Regional infrastructure that facilitates growth

Our regions need adequate infrastructure if we are to attract new and renewed investment in the region. Transport Infrastructure (road, rail, air, water), Utilities (gas, power, water), appropriate land use planning are all vital to businesses looking to move to/expand in our region.

Infrastructure planning requires collaboration with a range of stakeholders within local and state government and community consultation to ensure that we are positioned for future growth.

Murray Bridge Convention Centre

The Gifford Hill Racing Complex project recently received advice of \$5m from the Federal Community Development Grants Program to develop the \$36m facility. The Racing Complex will provide the region with international standard thoroughbred racing facilities including an equine village, vet and rehab facilities, a state of the art turf track, a tunnel under the track to enable safe access for horses and their jockeys; a stewards building; and a \$16m convention centre.

Currently the Murraylands is devoid of quality convention facilities. The Racing Complex Convention Centre will function as an entertainment centre on racedays as well as play host to receptions, recitals, expos and a range of other events throughout the year. The facility will have the capacity to host up to 700 people and provide 45 direct jobs.

The full development will consist of the Racing Complex, a 3,600 allotment housing development, town centre with shopping and school services. RDAMR has worked with the Murray Bridge Racing Club (MBRC) throughout the planning process for the project since inception.



Loxton Research Centre Redevelopment

RDAMR has been heavily involved in the planning around the redevelopment of the Loxton Research Centre. Once a centre of excellence for water use efficiency in irrigated crops, the centre was been given an injection of life from the SARMS Program.

RDAMR is currently chairing the Management Reference Group. The Group is tasked with facilitating the establishment of a strategic industry led Board that will drive, facilitate and coordinate: innovation, diversification and collaboration between primary industry sectors to enhance the future sustainability and viability of primary industries in our region.

The vision is to create a world-class centre of excellence for primary production.

Rail Freight Study

In late 2014 RDAMR commissioned a report to be undertaken on our regional freight, following the announcement that Viterra would not renew their lease of the Genesee Wyoming rail lines in the South Australian Mallee. With many of our Mallee roads already in a poor state, RDAMR wanted to be prepared for the impact for our region of moving this grain freight from rail to road.

The "SA Mallee Freight Study and Rail Operations Investigation" provided a snapshot of current and potential future loads on our roads. There is still further work to be done on forecasting the impact of the increased traffic on the roads and advocating for road upgrades to reduce any increased freight costs to producers.

Other Projects

- o Monarto Masterplan & Monarto Intermodal
- o Ferry upgrade advocation
- o Development of strategic industry zones at Tailem Bend, Flagstaff, Monarto and Tepko
- o Management and maintenance of the Riverland Asset Register

Celebrating the \$5m announcement are RDAMR CEO Brenton Lewis, Federal Assistant Regional Development Minister Jamie Briggs, Murray Bridge Racing Club chairman Reg Nolan, Member for Barker Tony Pasin and Member for Hammond Adrian Pederick. Photo courtesy of the Murray Valley Standard.

Goal 3: a regional that capitalises on digital opportunities

The rollout of the National Broadband Network across our region signifies a great opportunity for our businesses to capitalise on digital opportunities. From increasing efficiencies to connecting with international markets, there is a broad range of ways that increased access to the internet can build a business's revenue.

To work on this RDAMR developed the Smarter Digital Region project to investigate opportunities for the broader region. This has been supplemented by training programs for business.

Smarter Digital Region

2014/15 was the second and final year of the 'Smarter Digital Region' project. The 'Smarter Digital Region' project provided a platform for RDAMR to identify regional needs and opportunities in relation to the digital economy.

The Smarter Digital Region (SDR) – Reference Group included representation from Local Government, the University Sector, NBN Co and Industry, to oversee the project. The SDR Reference Group worked together to determine the Digital Infrastructure needs of the region and negotiated with relevant stakeholders to assist in the achievement of these objectives.

Regional Stakeholder Groups were also developed for the Murraylands and Riverland regions. These groups consist of regional stakeholders from the education, health, small business, not-for-profit, family, community and local government sectors to provide an opportunity for the sectors to provide an opportunity to discuss their common issues and prospects of working together where suitable.

The SHIFT

RDAMR hosted 'The SHIFT' in Murray Bridge during early 2014/15. The SHIFT was a one day forum providing regional businesses with practical, real-world advice and case studies to establish an effective online presence.

E Business & Social Media Training

Developing the digital awareness of regional businesses has been a key to RDAMR's Smarter Digital Region project that has run over the last two years. RDAMR's Riverland team secured funding through DMITRE to run several digital workshops. This funding was then leveraged by contributions from Local Government partners and businesses in the Riverland.

To gauge the interest and gain the buy in of the local business community, RDAMR worked with the local Chambers of Commerce to undertake a survey on the digital training needs of local businesses. Feedback from the survey was used to develop a successful program. The resulting \$43,000 program included 13 workshops and 73 one-to-one mentoring sessions.

Smarter Digital Region Awards

The Smarter Digital Region Awards aimed to unearth, celebrate, reward and showcase the smart use of digital technology in the Riverland and Murraylands.

Organisations or individuals who have implemented the smart use of digital technology to significantly enhance or improve process, profitability, sustainability or liveability were encouraged to apply.

A pleasing number of high quality applications showcasing the smart use of digital technology were received. Finalists will be advised and presentations held early in the coming financial year.

- o Promotion of NBN Rollout
- o Involvement with the Chaffey Learning Exchange
- o IPad training for seniors
- o Mobile Blackspot Mapping



Goal 4: strong stakeholder relationships

The foundation of regional development is collaboration and facilitation with your local communities. Over the years RDAMR has prided itself on our high level of community involvement and strong stakeholder relations.

RDAMR staff members are part of more than 68 community reference groups which provides us with a wide understanding of our regional needs.

RDAMR's relationships with our Local, State and Federal Funding Partners, local businesses and potential new investors are also critical to our success.

RDAMR has an important role in bringing all these stakeholders together to help grow our region.

It it often overlooked the importance of having strong regional networks to achieve the best outcomes. RDAMR is regularly called upon to help State and Federal Government identify and pull together businesses and individuals for regional consultations, participation in events and other purposes. It is our strong regional networks and respectful relationship with business that ensure that we can bring a room of strategic individuals together in the region.

Live Work Play Invest Riverland

RDAMR has worked over the last 12 months with stakeholders across the Riverland on the 'Live, Work, Play, Invest Riverland' (LWPI) Project. The result of the project is a high quality magazine style publication, also available as an e-magazine and PDF launched in Dec 2014.

LWPI was developed by RDAMR in response to business and industries challenge to attract skilled professionals, employees, investors and potential new residents to the Riverland.

The document gives a big picture overview of the region and aims to enable people from outside of the region to understand the unique way in which the 35,000 people of the Riverland live, work, play and interact together as one community.

It also aims to leave the reader with a sense of what we as locals know about the region, and why we choose to live in this special place.

LWPI is being well utilised by business and industry to assist in the attraction of investors, and professionals such as Doctors, Nurses, Teachers, Ministers and a variety of other occupations to the region.

Energy Group

This year RDAMR facilitated the development of the Riverland Energy Association (REA). The REA with the support of RDAMR encouraged local businesses to make submissions to the Energy regulator in response to proposed price increases. These submissions have resulted in a 10% reduction in power pricing for all South Australian's. This reduction resulted in a nett saving to the REA members of approx \$2m.

The REA also instigated discussions on infrastructure issues like the loss factor charged to Riverland consumers. This loss factor has increased from 6% to 12% when the rest of the state pays approx 1% - this loss factor is now back to 6%. REA have also successfully addressed the lack of natural gas to the region for expansion projects which are now underway.

Other Projects

- o Monthly newsletters
- o Social Media
- o Speaking Engagements
- o Presentations to Local Government
- o Promotion of grant opportunities
- o Involvement in strategic forums
- o Relationship development with industry
- o Support 'Made in the Riverland'

Presentations to

- o The Australian Property Institute
- o The Cluster Observatory
- o Regional Marketing Forums
- o Construction Industry Training Board
- o Renewal SA
- o UniSA Planning Students
- o Council Partners
- o Telstra Countrywide Board



Goal 5: a technology smart region

To maximise our economic opportunity in the region RDAMR encourages business to embrace technology and innovation.

From the development of strategic industry clusters working together on joint industry opportunities, to the development of linkages with Research and Development institutions to bring research into practice.

In the last year we have had two big wins among numerous other projects.

Murraylands Food Alliance

Two years ago RDAMR brought together 10 of the Murraylands largest food producers to meet one another and discuss common issues and opportunities. These businesses decided to continue to meet on a regular basis facilitated by RDAMR resulting in the development of the Murraylands Food Alliance (MFA).

During 2014/15 the MFA was successful in securing \$70K of State Government funding from the Food and Wine Coinnovation Cluster project. The MFA has been successful in receiving \$50k in funding for 2015/16 to continue on the current progress of the group. Collectively the MFA employs more than 3,300 staff and has a direct regional output of \$910.5 million with a projected growth rate of 22%.

Mapping Connections

As part of RDAMR's Thinking Linking, Leveraging and Maximising cluster project, RDAMR's Riverland team worked with AusIndustry to develop the report 'Mapping Capability and Connections'. As part of the report the team interviewed 36 businesses and 3 peak industry groups. Together they employ more than 2,200 people and export \$500m of product.

The report identifies that the Riverland region is projecting serious growth over the next 3 years (more that 60% of participants projected growth between 10%–200% over the next three years). This growth potential has been magnified by a 25% drop in the A\$ since the interviews were conducted.

This report has 7 major recommendations which RDAMR are now working on to implement.

Rivapak is one of eleven members of the Murraylands Food Alliance who aim to grow the reputation of the Murraylands as a premium producer of food product

High School Business Innovation

Realising the need to encourage a greater level of innovation in our regional community, RDAMR's Riverland team has been working with local high schools to develop programs that encourage innovation and entrepreneurialism.

Following a successful pilot program in the second semester of 2014, the Renmark High Business Academy commenced in 2015 with 23 students in this SACE accredited course.

Also in collaboration with RDAMR, Renmark High School worked with Adelaide Universities' Entrepreneurship, Commercialisation and Innovation Centre (ECIC) in securing funding from the PIRSA SARMs \$265m project. They are the lead school in the e-challenge program currently being trialled that will be rolled out to all Riverland high schools 2016 -2017.

Energy Audits

RDAMR successfully secured State Government and industry funding this year to assist local businesses conduct Energy Audits across the Murraylands & Riverland. These energy audits led to recommendations being made on how these businesses can make simple changes to result in significant savings.

- o RDAMR leading by example with digital newsletters, SMS reminders and Skype conferences
- Relationship development with AusIndustry, Adelaide Research Institute, Adelaide Uni's Entrepreneurship, Commercialisation and Innovation Centre (ECIC), University of Technology Sydney,
- o Thinking Linking Leveraging Cluster Project
- o Promotion of Government Innovation Programs
- o 3D printing in food industries



Goal 6: strong and prosperous Regional industries

Economic Development relies on having strong regional industries. For the Murraylands & Riverland region this includes the Primary Industries, Manufacturing, Tourism and small business sectors.

It is a priority for RDAMR to work with these industries to support their growth aspirations for the future. This is achieved through provision of support to our regional industry bodies and provision of business advisory services.

Murraylands Tourism Partnership

The peak tourism body in the Murraylands is the Murraylands Tourism Partnership (MTP). MTP is auspiced under RDAMR, managed by the Tourism Development Manager and has its own Tourism Strategy and Action plan.

In the first half of 2015, MTP was successful in gaining funding to develop the 'Murray River Lakes and Coorong' website. This project will be undertaken during the 2015/16 financial year.

Destination Riverland

Destination Riverland is the peak tourism body in the Riverland and works with its stakeholders (Council, RDAMR & Local Business) to grow the value of tourism in the Riverland and establish regional pride in its unique regional assets.

RDAMR is involved with Destination Riverland through provision of office space within the RDAMR Riverland office and through close collaboration on regional development initiatives.

What Future Primary Industries

The What Future Primary Industries (WFPI) aims to forecast the future of our Primary Industries sector and determine actions to ensure the sector thrives into the future. This year was the final year of the project.

Under this project RDAMR worked with existing and prospective businesses in the region to encourage investment in the Primary Industries sector. The project also included the development of food clusters and undertaking a scoping study to determine what actions can be taken to strengthen our regional food economy.

Three reports were produced as part of this project: a desktop review of our current regional production, an industry perspectives survey, and a 'Future Directions' report.

Business Advisory Services

RDAMR's Business Development Team provide a diverse range of information, advice, mentoring and support services to micro, small and medium business clients. Advice from the Business Development Manager is designed to improve business management systems, processes, skills and decisions of businesses within the region.

Our Business Development Managers work with small coaching groups, individual businesses and industry groups to facilitate the development of dynamic and sustainable businesses. These services involve assistance to existing and start up small and medium enterprises (SME's).

Customer Led Innovation

RDAMR successfully gained \$5K in funding to take 36 reps from 20 Riverland businesses on a tour to Kelly Engineering @ Booleroo Centre. Kelly Engineering are a great example of innovation as they turned a farm workshop into a \$25m business exporting to the USA, Canada & Europe. They explained the journey and showed off the lean and customer led innovation with a workshop tour that exceeded the visitor's expectations.

- o Brand Riverland project
- o Riverland Thought Leaders group
- o Assistance with 'Made in Riverland' events
- o Support for Murray Bridge Farmers Market, Murray Bridge Traders,
- o Lean Manufacturing program
- o Karoonda Traders Group
- o What Future Primary Industries Future Directions report
- o Murraylands Business Dinner
- o Murraylands Manufactures Alliance
- o Murray Bridge Business Traders Group



Goal 7: efficient & innovative water & environmental management systems

To be sustainable economic development needs to consider the social and environmental outcomes of potential projects. As our region is a low rainfall area with the Murray River running throughout RDAMR is always mindful of protecting our natural resources for future generations.

Regional environmental projects involve partnering with other government departments to ensure that outcomes are maximised. These departments include the Murray Darling Basin Natural Resource Management Board (MDBNRM), the Department of Primary Industries and Regions SA (PIRSA), the Environmental Protection Authority (EPA) and Local Government.

Involvement in Murray Darling Basin Committees

RDAMR has continued to be involved in Committees involved in policy and industry issues for the Murray Darling Basin. Our Murraylands Business Development Manager represents RDAMR on the River Murray Advisory Committee (RMAC) and the Board is involved in various committees relating to the South Australian River Murray Sustainability Program (SARMS).

Having a strong understanding on the policy and current industry issues' relating to the Murray Darling Basin remains a priority of RDAMR. It was involvement in these groups that first led to RDAMR developing and gaining funding for the Lower Murray Flood Plain Project.

Coorong Connector

Last year RDAMR was invited by the Meningie Narrung Lakes Irrigators Association (MNLIA) to join discussions as part of the Lake Albert Scoping Study (LASS).

The LASS project, was initiated to determine the best long term solution for the high salinity levels of Lake Albert that rendered the water unusable for irrigation and consumption. The study showed two possible outcomes, one was a natural rising and lowering of water levels in the lake, and the second was the Coorong Connector, a pipe connecting Lake Albert to the Coorong.

RDAMR together with the Coorong District Council are now advocating for the Environmental Impact Assessment to be undertaken on the Coorong Connector.

SA River Murray Sustainability Program (SARMS)

The last two years has seen the rollout of the SARMS program. Funding for SARMS was awarded to South Australia following the signing of the Murray Darling Basin (MDB) Plan, SA was awarded \$265 million from the Federal Government to be used to obtain 40GL of environmental water.

The SARMS Program consists of two key components the \$240m Irrigation Industry Improvement Program (3IP) and the \$25m Regional Economic Development (RED) program.

The \$25m RED Program will consist of three components: \$12.5 for the Regional Development and Innovation Fund (RDIF); \$5m for the Industry-led Research Sub-Program (IRSP); and \$7.5m towards the redevelopment of the Loxton Research Centre (LRC), into a centre of excellence for irrigation research and technology.

RDAMR has taken a role working with consultants, regional businesses and PIRSA to ensure that the outcomes from this 'once in a lifetime' funding opportunity are maximised for the benefit of the whole community.

- o SA MDB Regional Adaption Plan
- o Mt Barker to Murray Bridge Water Project
- o Activation of recommendations from the Lower Murray Flood Plain Report
- o Water Allocation Plan reviews



Goal 8: a skilled and sustainable workforce that matches industry needs

Strong regional industries need a dedicated and skilled workforce. RDAMR considers it a priority to work with industry to identify opportunities and challenges that need to be overcome at a regional level to support our regional workforce needs into the future.

Riverland Primary Producers & Irrigators Project

RDAMR identified that there was to be a skills shortage across the region as a result of the high demand for irrigation infrastructure funded under the South Australian River Murray Sustainability (SARMS) program.

RDAMR successfully applied for and secured \$60k in funding to upskill these staff to meet the increased demand and in turn increasing the efficiencies of the SARMS rollout in the region.

Skills for Jobs in Regions

This year RDAMR continued to build on our networks and achievements of the Skills for Jobs in Regions Program. The tailoring of programs to suit local community needs has been a key success of this program.

Skills for Jobs in Regions Projects funded through the Regional Employment Fund for 2014/15 include:

- o Ticket to Training
- o Skills Passport
- o Career Development Services

Ticket to Training provides qualifications such as forklift licences or first aid certificates for individuals who have lined up a job opportunity but to be employed require certain qualifications.

Skills Passport was developed in response to an identified opportunity to share a seasonal workforce across several commodities. These seasonal roles required similar qualifications, which when achieved could be utilised in the citrus, wine and almond industries to name a few.

Industry Leaders Groups (ILG)

Industry Leaders Groups were created this year for both the Murraylands & Riverland region. The purpose of the Industry Leaders Groups is to provide strategic industry input into the projects and initiatives funded under the Skills for Jobs in Regions Program, to ensure that they meet the needs of Industry. Chair of the Murraylands ILG is Brian Devey from Australian Portable Camps and chairing the Riverland ILG is Steve Burdette from Costa Group - AgriExchange.

Career Services

In the Riverland, career services are delivered through our in house Career Development Centre (CDC). The CDC has developed a strong reputation for delivering quality assistance for job seekers who need help with resumes, career planning, interview preparation and a whole range of career related information.

The CDC is also working with the local high schools to provide Career workshops & information sessions to students, and with the Cadell Training Centre.

Middle Management Training

As part of the Riverland team's AusIndustry Mapping project, the team realised that the lack of middle management or leadership training was an inhibitor to the growth of the region's businesses. They successfully applied for \$55k to run training to address this issue.

- o Murraylands Migration Multicultural and settlement committee
- o Murraylands Food Alliance Workforce Development Project
- o Hidden Jobs Project



Goal 9: increased choices in regional education

Resilient regional communities need access to facilities and services that can advance personal and professional development.

It is a priority for RDAMR to ensure that our primary and secondary educational facilities meet regional needs and that tertiary educational opportunities are available locally within the region.

Murraylands Education Precinct

The Murraylands Education Precinct is a top priority for the region. The project was ranked as the 6th priority for regional infrastructure in SA in the RDSA Regional Infrastructure Priorities Report.

Over the last year RDAMR has worked with the Rural City of Murray Bridge (RCMB) led Education Precinct working group in commissioning a report into the broad educational needs of the region. This report is the latest in a range of needs investigations undertaken that again supports the need for a regional education precinct.

Flinders Rural Clinical School (FURCS)

RDAMR is thrilled that after several years the successful Rural Clinical School run through Flinders University has been expanded to include more students and more regional locations.

RDAMR is still working with the FURCS to further develop their Facilities in the Riverland to enable a greater range of training to be provided.



The proposed Murraylands Education Precinct continues to receive support from the local community.

Chaffey Learning Exchange (CLX)

During the last 12 months, the Chaffey Learning Exchange was successful in receiving funding from the SARMS RDIF to run a pilot educational program in the region.

Built on the foundations of the Chaffey Learning Exchange in the Riverland, and supported by industry evidence received through RDAMR's What Future Primary Industries projects, CLX received funding to support industry incubators and develop co-learning working groups.

RDAMR is working closely with CLX on this project to engage business in this 3 year pilot project.

BiZifyd Program

The region was successful this year in securing the first regional Bizifyd program through our partnering organisation in Adelaide, HYPA.

HYPA has established a 'real world' Social Enterprise which connects micro and small business owners who have limited time and knowledge of Social Media and IT, with young people who may have both the time and interest in technology.

Bizifyd engages with young people to build on business and enterprise skills, as well as, employability skills that gives participants the opportunity to set up their own business and/ or enter the workforce.

The program will be run across both the Murraylands and Riverland over the next two years.

- o Discussions with Renewal SA re need for Murray Bridge High School Expansion.
- o Murraylands Careers Expo
- o Riverland Field Day's 'Speakers Corner'

Goal 10: Resilient communities that embrace and support change

Strong regional communities not only need a strong economy and environment, they also need a strong social fabric.

RDAMR supports programs that build community capacity, improve the liveability of the region and improve community infrastructure.

Brand SA Regional Awards

RDAMR continues to be a key player in the nomination and judging of the Murraylands & Riverland Regional Awards. The Brand SA Regional Awards, are a great opportunity to showcase and develop pride in the successes of our local communities.

Diversification Fund Loss

The loss of the \$25m Murray Darling Basin Diversification Fund from our region was a great blow for the community and the projects that had been announced to receive funding.

All other states within the Murray Darling Basin were allocated their \$25m in funding for distribution, but South Australia and in particular the Murraylands & Riverland missed out on this vital funding which got caught in a political dispute between the State and Federal Government.

Community infrastructure projects that had been announced for funding included the Gifford Hill Convention Facility, Murray Darling Basin Interpretive Centre, Murray Bridge Town Centre Revitalisation, Great River Walks, Lower Murray Flood Plain Project Stage 2, and a Pork Industry Marketing project.

Some of these projects such as the Gifford Hill Convention Centre has now been funded under other funding streams and RDAMR is actively working with the remaining projects to seek alternative funding sources.

Regional Committees

To gain a thorough understanding of regional issues and to enable provision of assistance to key regional infrastructure projects, RDAMR staff are involved in almost 100 regional committees and working groups. For more detail on these groups see Appendix (page 26).

Aged Care Expansion

RDAMR has also assisted the expansion of Aged Care infrastructure in the Riverland. Riverview Lutheran Rest Home secured funding, as part of a long term strategy to significantly increase the availability of aged care services in the Riverland.

The building of 12 supported accommodation units, combined with the construction of an additional 20 bed dementia unit will result in a \$10m expansion to their current facilities and address the increasing regional demand for safe, accessible and affordable retirement living, for those unable to remain in their own home.

- o Working with Murray Bridge Rowing Club on expansion plans
- o Domestic Violence week
- o Murray Bridge Safe Strategy
- o Loxton Recreation Centre redevelopment
- o Murray Bridge Homeless project
- o Lameroo Sports Club Expansion



