

There's a buzz in the community

Taking part in KESAB *Sustainable Communities 2010 (tidy towns)*
is great for your community, great for you.



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Sustainable Communities... that's a funny name!

Well, it's a longer name than the long lasting and much loved Tidy Towns program, but it's so much more. The name - Sustainable Communities (tidy towns) - truly sums up the breadth and importance of the program. Wherever we may live in South Australia, we are faced with challenges from environmental, technological and economic change. It's ongoing and in some respects, it's accelerating. Nowhere are these challenges more real than in regional towns, cities and communities.

The Sustainable Communities (tidy towns) program is all about members of a community getting together to help their community to be a better place to live and a community that is geared up to survive and prosper, whatever changes the future brings.

Who can enter.

Anyone! And what's more, there are no entry fees! You may be an individual, a community group, a school, a business or a local government. The Sustainable Communities (tidy towns) program asks entrants to provide some initial information on the form as part of their entry.

You and your community may be doing something that addresses a problem faced by many communities. We want to know about it, we want to recognise and celebrate the great work you are doing, and we want to share it so that everyone benefits from your success.

Written or electronic entries are required.

You can download an entry form and entry guidelines from the KESAB *environmental solutions* website or if you prefer, call us on 08 8234 7255

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The closing date for the
2010 Sustainable Communities (tidy towns)
program is Monday 10 May 2010.

Regions.

Sustainable Communities (tidy towns) operates regionally. The regions we use are based on Local Government Association of South Australia areas;

Mallee

North Eyre Peninsula

Southern and Hills

South Eyre Peninsula

Kangaroo Island

Yorke Peninsula

Mid North

South East.

Murraylands



What previous participants have said.

Win lose or draw, we've found that all communities get a lot out of working together to support their community. So everyone wins, really!

Here's what a few of the entrants from the 2009 Sustainable Communities (tidy towns) program told us during the year.

".....yes our school always benefits. The kids learn skills and develop pride and a sense of belongingalways a positive." *Miltaburra Area School.*

"...gave interest to our community and involved our council more." *Balaklava Tidy Towns.*

".....it provides a constant opportunity to review and improve....we have been pleased with the program since our involvement began (10 years)." *Banrock Station.*

"...good publicity in keeping our area neat and tidy and a tourism draw card." *DC Yorke Peninsula.*

"....support from this organisation (KESAB) has been most helpful and encouraging." *Crystal Brook Primary.*

"...keeps us on our toes and thinking about the look of our town and issues relating to the environment." *Blyth Progress Association.*

"....enabled a more thorough look at what we were doing. Our school has thoroughly enjoyed being a part of Sustainable Communities (tidy towns). The students have responded well." *Barmera Primary.*

Categories

Water Conservation: We all need water to survive and grow. South Australians, particularly rural and regional people, are very good at using it efficiently. We want to recognise what you do well, and share your ideas so we can all make the most of this precious resource.

Waste: We don't want to throw away something of value. South Australians are very good at recycling and reusing what we can so that we don't waste our resources. It's often cheaper to make good use of a material than to bury it, and we have seen fantastic examples of reuse and recycling in the past.

Energy: We can't do anything without energy, but we don't want to be wasteful. Energy efficiency is about being smart in how we use it and reduce our impact on the environment.

Community Engagement: The ways in which we work together are always most important for a community. This is at the heart of Sustainable Communities (tidy towns) and always will be.

Biodiversity: The native plants and animals are important to any environment. Protecting and nurturing them helps keep our environment in balance and can also be important for tourism.

Education and Innovation: Education and innovation are great ways to develop new ideas and make them work in practice.

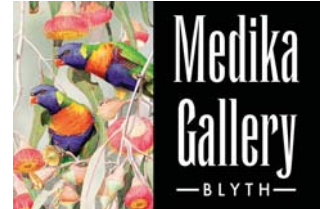
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