



# MEDIA RELEASE

**Dan van Holst Pellekaan**

Member for Stuart



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## Grants for Volunteers is Now Open

Member for Stuart Dan van Holst Pellekaan is pleased to announce that the Volunteer Support Fund opened on Monday, 11<sup>th</sup> July 2011. Community organisations can apply for funding to help them foster and support volunteer workers.

“Volunteers play an integral role in society and the benefits from their hard work and time should not go underestimated”, Mr van Holst Pellekaan said.

This program enables volunteer organisations to apply for funding that supports community volunteer programmes. Grants of up to \$3,000 are available for initiatives that assist ongoing volunteer programmes that benefit local communities.

“I encourage all eligible volunteer groups to apply for funding through the Volunteer Support Fund. This is a great opportunity for volunteer organisations to receive funding that benefits and supports volunteers and improves participation levels.” said Mr van Holst Pellekaan.

Further information is available by contacting the Office for Volunteers on (08) 84634490 or access an application form and guidelines on [www.ofv.sa.gov.au/grants.htm](http://www.ofv.sa.gov.au/grants.htm).

The closing date for applications is Monday, **22<sup>nd</sup> August 2011**. Application forms can be obtained from the Stuart Electorate offices in Port Augusta on 86423633 and in Kapunda on 8566-2099.