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Media Release Road safety funding boost for community groups across NSW

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Grassroots groups across NSW are set to share in more than \$400,000 worth of new funding thanks to Community Road Safety Grants delivered by the Minns Labor Government.

Supported through the Community Road Safety Grants program, 19 groups will each receive up to \$30,000 to roll out projects that will increase road safety awareness and support safer road use.

Projects approved in round nine of the grants program include:

- free or subsidised driver education for disadvantaged and indigenous youths
- a courtesy bus to reduce drink driving in Regional NSW
- a program to help newly arrived refugees navigate NSW road rules
- training to improve road safety for children with disabilities as passengers in motor vehicles
- an eight-episode bilingual radio series on youth road safety

The new projects funded by the Community Road Safety Grants program are among more than 200, worth a total of more than \$3 million, that have now been delivered by Transport for NSW since the program was established in 2015.

For more information about the Community Road Safety Grants and the full list of projects visit: https://www.transport.nsw.gov.au/roadsafety/community/community-grants

Minister for Roads John Graham said:

"These grants will empower community groups to tackle a range of road safety issues head on, with a laser focus and at a local level.

"Projects to be delivered will be spread across metropolitan and regional areas, with key at-risk groups a major focus, as we look to promote further awareness of Towards Zero and getting everyone home safely.

"Community groups like the Clontarf Foundation, PCYC and all those receiving funding do such important work and the Minns Labor Government is proud to be backing in their efforts on road safety."

Minister for Regional Transport and Roads Jenny Aitchison said:

"We know that while around one-third of the population lives in regional areas, this group makes up nearly two-thirds of deaths that occur on regional roads.

"The statistics sadly reinforce the need to deliver critical road safety investments in the regions and these Community Road Safety Grants are part of the Minns Labor Government's commitment to reducing the road toll across every corner of NSW.

"From Gulgong to Collarenebri and Singleton to the Central Coast, these projects and the community groups delivering them will save lives and make our roads safer for everyone."

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