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Community Ice Action Group Grants

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"Sunraysia Community Health Services is pleased to see the State Government has announced the new Community ICE Action Group Grants", said Mr Craig Stanbridge, CEO Sunraysia Community Health Services. "It's great to see the Government has been able to respond so quickly to this issue, by consulting with key stakeholders and developing solutions that build on previous work."

A Victorian Inquiry last year into the supply and use of methamphetamines, particularly ICE, identified Mildura's Project Ice as a model for community partnerships to work together at a local level to address and 'own' the methamphetamine problem. Earlier this year during a visit to Mildura, Premier Daniel Andrews was able to meet with key members of the Northern Mallee Community Partners (NMCP) Project ICE Committee to discuss this partnership.

"This funding will allow other pro-active communities like Mildura to work together to develop locally-driven solutions to suit their own communities needs in relation to ICE", Mr Stanbridge said. "Most importantly for Mildura though, this funding still allows Mildura to apply for funding that will be able to build on the work already undertaken in the community by Project Ice".

Now the funding has been announced, the NMCP Project ICE Committee will need to consider the guidelines and see if there is a suitable project for \$10,000 that is eligible for the funding.

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