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## Community Volunteers join KABC to open Community Litter Grants

KABC staff travelled to the Kimberley in April to engage with community volunteers and stakeholders for clean-up activities and to open the **2024 Community Litter Grants**.

Ms Divina D'Anna MLA, Member for Kimberley, <u>Containers for Change</u> and <u>Eco Surf</u> <u>Australia</u> attended the opening of the Community Litter Grants in Djarindjin, assisting volunteers with the 'three minute clean-up challenge' and other litter prevention activities.

Volunteers from the community took part in the #3minute challenge, collecting as many pieces of litter in a three-minute period. The volunteers collected a total of 625 items with 230 eligible containers being returned.

The event was followed by a barbeque that was provided by **Djarindjin Aboriginal Corporation** 

Applications for KABC's Community Litter Grants are open until 20 May. Make your litter prevention idea become a reality. Find out more <u>here.</u>



## Kimberley Care Group expands Adopted Spot

This year, with increased numbers of volunteers, **<u>Kimberley Care Group</u>** expanded their "Adopted Spot", removing 65kgs of litter and 15kgs of eligible containers from around Forrest and Louis Street in Broome. The Shire of Broome, who partnered with the Adopta-Spot program this year, organised a skip bin to dispose of all the rubbish.

Containers for Change Regional Manager, Rob Pike, discussed the benefits of becoming a scheme participant with Kimberley Care Group, providing information on how to join the program.

This is the second time the Kimberley Care Group have organised this event, and it was great to see more volunteers actively involved.



The following day staff joined the Broome Surf Life Saving Club and Eco Surf Australia for their clean-up event.

Broome Surf Life Saving Club had heard of the success of Eco Surf Australia's #3minutebeachcleanup Litter Station at North Cottesloe Beach and were keen to implement the same activity at their club.

KABC's Community Litter Grants funded the #3minutebeachcleanup Litter Station which was launched at the clean-up event on Cable Beach. Over 35 volunteers (and two camels) walked

the beach and surrounding areas, removing 20kgs of litter and 6kgs of eligible containers.

Sixteen volunteers went one step further, tallying items they collected along Cable Beach. A total of 407 items were recorded with the top finds being hard bits of plastic, broken glass and foam insulation. This information has been recorded into the Tangaroa Blue Australian Marine Debris database.

Broome Surf Life Saving Club now have their own ##3minutebeachcleanup Litter Station for beach goers to use and we look forward to hearing how it goes.

<u>The Shire of Broome</u> has now partnered with KABC's <u>Adopt-a-Spot program</u> enabling residents who want to get involved and clean up litter to collect clean-up resources from the Shire's office.

If you are a local government and want to know how you can partner with the Adopt-a-Spot program contact <u>adoptaspot@kabc.wa.gov.au</u>

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