

## Karara commits to a healthy Mid-West community

### *Health infrastructure to benefit from new community initiatives underpinned by innovative funding plan*

Karara Mining Limited, the developer of the Mid West region's largest new resource project, is throwing its weight behind a new long-term community health initiative designed to assist nearby communities.

KML has launched the Karara Community Health Fund, which is underpinned by an initial \$300,000 investment, which will be available to provide a co-funding source for the surrounding communities to secure Government funding for local health related infrastructure projects.

The initial investment has come from a range of sources such as employee fundraising initiatives and key KML contractors. But valuable funds have also been raised through innovative ideas such as revenues generated from the sale of scrap materials and sandalwood collected from farming properties owned by KML, the operating company for the joint venture between Gindalbie Metals and China's Ansteel.

These funding streams will contribute directly and indirectly to the development of infrastructure for local health services.

Part of KML's community health contribution already involves making flights available for the doctor in Morawa to travel on the regular Karara charter between site and Perth. This incentive has made Morawa a more attractive posting for medical professionals and ensures that the Shire is able to deliver quality healthcare for future generations.

Chief Executive Officer of KML, Mr Stephen Murdoch, said the funding was one of many community engagement projects being implemented by Karara to support long-term education, training and community health initiatives in the Mid West region.

"Our community strategy is heavily skewed towards education, training and health and we are delighted to announce these new initiatives which are designed to encourage people to live and work in the Mid West region, providing benefits to all communities in the region," Mr Murdoch said.

"We've launched this initiative because we are serious about contributing to the ongoing health of the community and ensuring that the Mid West is serviced by top health professionals. We will be operating in these communities for many decades to come and we feel it is our responsibility as a local employer to support and enhance local community services where we can. Karara will continue to invest in community projects which prioritise health and well-being, education and development, assist local businesses and support indigenous communities," he said.

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