



Thank a Volunteer Day 2020

Celebrating Community

A decorative banner at the bottom of the page features a rainbow with three bands of green and yellow. Below the rainbow is a dark blue background with the text 'Bassendean volunteers' in a white, hand-drawn font. The banner is adorned with various colorful floral and heart-shaped patterns in red, yellow, blue, and green.

Bassendean
volunteers

This booklet was put together using information provided to the Bassendean Volunteer Centre. The Town of Bassendean acknowledges that there are many groups doing amazing work in our community.

The groups featured in this booklet are those that have registered their information with the Bassendean Volunteer Centre and sent us information about their achievements in time for inclusion in this publication.

Please see page 27 if you want to register and be included in the next publication.

Thank you

Every year we mark our community volunteers' contribution to our daily lives at Thank a Volunteer Day and we do this as a small gesture to acknowledge the huge difference you make to so many lives in our community.

On the behalf of the Town of Bassendean, we would like to thank you.

This booklet celebrates the achievements of volunteers & community groups around the Town of Bassendean.

Particularly during this difficult year, we celebrate our community groups that have brought a sense of belonging and connection to people when they might otherwise be isolated and disconnected.

We look forward to continuing to work with you.



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Celebrating Our Volunteers

Our volunteers, supporting community groups, sporting clubs, schools and other not for profit organisations, are at the heart of the Town of Bassendean.

On the following pages you will find a selection of Community Groups and their achievements.



Bassendean 55Plus Association



The Bassendean 55Plus Association is a social group promoting activities and information to the over 55 age group in the Bassendean community.

Key Achievements

- We continued to run our weekly activities, including our Sewing and Craft group, Tuesday Drop In Day, Seniors Singing Group, and Carpet Bowls, among other things
- We hosted a fun lunch for Melbourne Cup Day
- We welcomed in some new volunteers and all our volunteers worked hard to support the association

bassendeanplus@optusnet.com.au

<https://www.facebook.com/Bassendean-55-Plus-Association-104358047579795>



The Bassonovas

The Bassonovas Inc are a fun filled Community Samba Percussion group! Currently they assist the Town of Bassendean with their new RELax Program and offer Samba percussion classes to the community.



Key Achievements

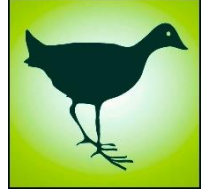
- We drummed free for the HBF Run for a Reason representing Diabetes WA
- We offered free online ZOOM classes during the COVID Pandemic
- We did a free gig for the Bassendean Markets 10th Birthday Celebrations

sites.google.com/site/bassonovas/



Friends of Bindaring Wetland

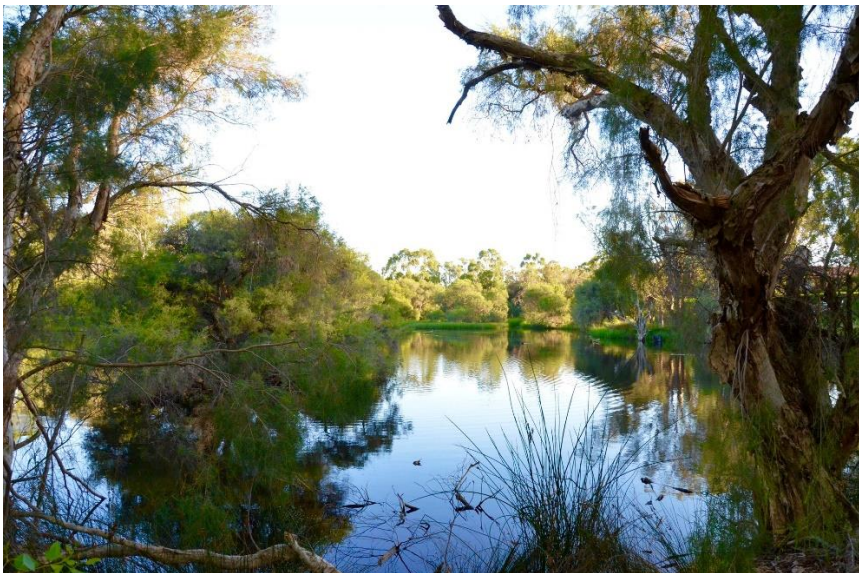
Friends of Bindaring Park have formed to liaise with Local government and our community in the pursuit of long term rehabilitation of our local wetland, Bindaring Park, which is connected to the Swan River.



Key Achievements

- Since the last 'Thank a Volunteer Day', 22 individuals have put in over 160 hours of hand weeding in the mid-section of the wetland between Anstey Road and Hyland St.
- We partnered with the Bassendean Preservation Group to plant the weeded area and also an area where the wetland drains into the river at Pickering Park.
- We are pleased to be working with the new environment team at the Town to make a plan to restore the natural values of the wetland between Hyland St & Anstey Road.

<https://www.facebook.com/BindaringParkFriendsBassendean/>



Bassendean Bowling Club

Established in 1934, Bassendean Bowling Club is a friendly local member-based sporting club that caters for lawn bowls, darts, pool, and functions and events.



Key Achievements

- The club was announced as the Metropolitan Bowling Club of the Year for 2019/20. There are 65 metropolitan clubs in Perth making that a significant achievement.
- We stripped, repainted and renewed the Bowling Club building during the COVID period using volunteer labour at no cost to Council.
- We have a fantastic community bowls competition that will feature on BowlsWA with former Australian cricketer and WA Bowls ambassador Brad Hogg attending the club to conduct interview and film some of the action.

<https://www.facebook.com/bassendeanbowlingclub/>

www.bassendeanbc.com.au



Ashfield Community Action Network

Dedicated to the people and places of Ashfield WA, the Ashfield Community Action Network is a group of stakeholder and community members who have an interest or stake in Ashfield and are committed to making Ashfield a better place to live.



Key Achievements

- Secured funding and gained approval to progress the construction of a Community Lookout Park along Hardy Road to provide a dedicated space to appreciate the flora and fauna endemic to the Ashfield Flats.
- Addressed residents' concerns around community safety by hosting Senior Sergeant Matthew McCaughey - the Officer in Charge of Kiara Police Station - and Jenny O'Brien - Manager of the WA Police Neighbourhood Watch - at Community Meetings of Ashfield CAN.
- Within the confines of Covid, Ashfield CAN has run Community Events such as the annual Christmas Party in 2019 and the 2020 Dogs Breakfast. Both were well attended and generated positive community feedback.

<https://www.facebook.com/ashfieldcan/>



Eden Hill CAN



Over the last year we've engaged in a range of activities and projects to work toward our objectives. In an effort to keep the Eden Hill community informed of our own activities and other happenings in the area we have:

- actively encouraged residents to get to know their neighbours.
- distributed material from Neighbourhood Watch WA, and
- included Neighbourhood Watch tips and information on our Facebook page and in our newsletters.
- In June 2020 we held a Community Food Drive, collecting food and household items. The items were donated to Altone Youth Service, who help local youth and families in need. The event was a huge success with our wonderful community donating generously. Altone Youth Service was incredibly appreciative and given the success of the event, we're committing to holding similar events in the future.

www.edenhillcan.org.au



Fibrant Community Arts

FIBRANT is a collective of fibre, textile and visual artists whose backgrounds include art graduates, art teachers, community artists and art enthusiasts. FIBRANT is a group of like minded artists who have a strong ethos of recycling, skill sharing, inclusivity and creating collaborative community artworks. FIBRANT is the community arts section of the Bassendean Arts Council Inc.



We have been sharing our artistic, creative passion with likeminded people:

- Continued to do workshops for all ages and abilities
- Lots of exciting plans for 2021 so look out for us at a market near you.

www.fibrantcommunityarts.blogspot.com



ArtsHouse Community Garden

Your local community garden in the heart of Bassendean. Join us for fun and informative workshops, garden busy bees and more!



From its humble beginnings back in 2014, the ArtsHouse Community Garden project has grown from strength to strength, engaging a variety of people, businesses and organisations while working to enhance the local environment and providing exciting educational opportunities.

ArtsHouse Community Garden had a hiatus for some of 2020 and like many organisations we discovered ways to be involved in the community while safely distancing.

- We distributed seasonal seed packs to local families, and shared plants, produce & cuttings with some “Share Our Spare” days.
- As the year draws to a close our agreement with Cyril Jackson Campus has expired and we may be looking to relocate to a new space.
- Whatever 2021 holds for us we can be sure there will be Community Gardening in the mix, for all of the social, environmental, educational and health benefits it brings.

www.facebook.com/pg/artshousecommunitygarden



Bassendean Preservation Group

BPG seeks to improve Bassendean by engaging the local community through river and park enhancement projects.



Key Achievements

- Nearly 2,000 native seedlings that we grew ourselves have been planted out around the river and Bassendean's natural areas, with more on the benches that will be planted when they are bigger.
- We have regular weekday work sessions at our GroCentre nursery in Ascot which is now less like a campsite as we have a proper tea room as well as a luxurious, brand new portaloos onsite - which was funded by a Federal Government Grant.
- We recently hosted a networking session with other kindred groups who are passionate about revegetation of natural areas - hoping to find ways to work together to grow stronger results.

www.bpginc.info



Bassendean Walking Group

The Bassendean Walking Group meet frequently to go on 45-60 minute walks in various locations around Bassendean.



Key Achievements

- Despite COVID-19, they have managed to keep the walking group running through the pandemic and keep everyone fit and healthy
- Brought a sense of community and connection to people during the year

power.family3@bigpond.com

<https://www.yourmove.org.au/things-to-do/bassendean-walking-group/>



The space required to fit a full bus, compared to the same number of people on bikes and in cars.

5000Meals (Prepare Produce Provide)

5000meals is a WA initiative that engages professional chefs, schools and volunteers to take surplus food, that might otherwise end up in landfill, and turn it into nutritious meals for people in need.



Key Achievements

- Provided COVID-19 Meals for Town of Bassendean residents. Over 45,000 meals have been cooked, packaged and labelled.
- A growing number of volunteers have joined 5000Meals to continue to support the community during and after lockdown, including drivers who support deliveries and volunteers who peel vegetables, cook meals, and package and label meals.
- Provided safe space for many who displaced through being stood down, or wanting to support the community.
- Secured a Lotterywest grant to assist with meals.
- Helped organise and catered for Thank a Volunteer Day 2020!



<https://www.facebook.com/5000meals>

<https://www.facebook.com/PrepareProduceProvide>



Old Perth Road Collective

The Old Perth Road Collective is a proactive group of local community and business members focused on revitalising our town centre in Bassendean for everyone to enjoy.

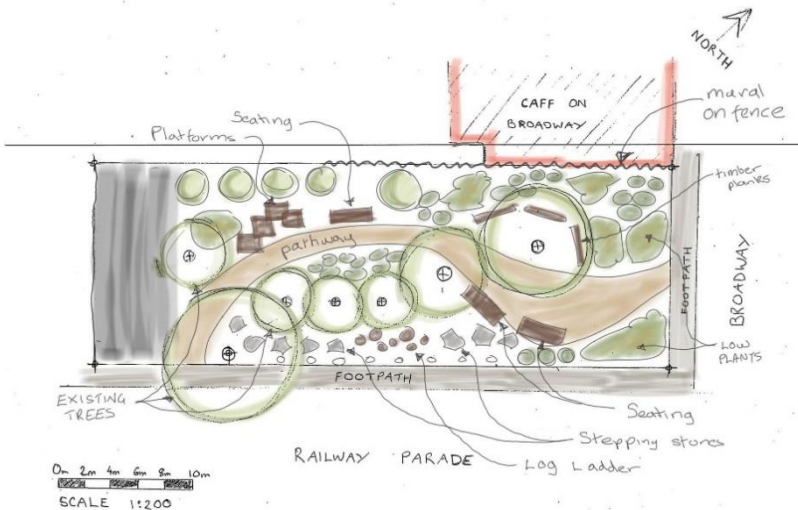


Key Achievements:

- 2 million poppy seeds were planted along Old Perth Road to flower every Remembrance Day
- A block of unused land at #1 Broadway has been acquired and will be turned into a nature play space as shown in the plan below
- Spookfest #2 was held at Halloween. This is a family festival with games, competitions and activities.

oprc.chair@gmail.com

<https://www.facebook.com/oldperthrdcollective>



Bassendean Community Transport

The Town of Bassendean offers a community transport service for residents who have limited or no access to private transport and have difficulty accessing conventional public transport.

The service is operated by a team of dedicated volunteer drivers and reception staff.

Key Achievements

- Provided support to Town of Bassendean seniors by delivering meals to them during the COVID-19 lockdown.
- Have continued with their regular services, including assisting people to get to medical appointments on time.

Tel: 9377 2190

Email: mail@bassendean.wa.gov.au



Men's Shed Bassendean

The Bassendean Community Men's Shed is for members to meet, share or learn skills, converse, work on projects or just come and have a cuppa.



Key Achievements

- Wind in the Willows and seniors' furniture restoration
- Hosted a community garage sale for Garage Sale Trail
- Held community sausage sizzles

bcmenshed@gmail.com

<https://www.facebook.com/bassendeanshed/>



Hanwell Way Men's Shed

We are a small shed in membership numbers, though we are eager to increase our numbers. We specialise in accepting men with challenges be they physical or mental, and this also includes their "carers" if they have one with them.



Key Achievements

- We have received positive feedback from carers and guests about how the men who come along feel secure being in a shed that welcomes them and genuinely cares for their wellbeing.
- We have made efforts to assign our individual members to projects that are more appropriate for their abilities, which will then boost their sense of achievement.
- We have involved the shed's members and their carers in fabricating shed structures.

sjmb51@yahoo.com.au



Bassendean Historical Society Inc.

The Bassendean Historical Society (Inc.) aims to foster and encourage an understanding of the history and heritage of the Bassendean district.



Key Achievements

- Supported Rail Heritage WA by providing volunteers for the historical display at the 60th Railfest.
- Held stalls at the Eden Hill CAN and Ashfield CAN community days focusing on the local history of each suburb.
- Completed transcription of the meeting minutes for the West Guildford Road Board from 1901-1904. Through the Bassendean Memorial Library having a digital version of these documents, easy searching for information will now be possible. The project will continue for the years 1905-1910.

basshistsoc@gmail.com

<https://www.facebook.com/BassendeanHistoricalSociety>



Repair Café Bassendean

Repair Café Bassendean is an initiative based in Bassendean that aims to minimise waste and strengthen our community. All are welcome.



They revolve around repairing goods, sharing skills & knowledge, reducing landfill & household spend, while celebrating community.

Key Achievements

- Despite a COVID break in the middle of the year we still managed to run 5 Repair sessions where we saved over 150 items from landfill and saved \$100s of dollars.
- Since starting we have saved over 850 items from landfill and saved thousands of \$\$.
- We couldn't have done it without our amazing regular volunteers and we welcomed 6 new volunteers
- We introduced new branding through the year and we are now a great presence in the community with new signage and logos.
- We would love to welcome more volunteers, both repairers and non-repairers.

repaircafebassendean@gmail.com

<https://www.facebook.com/RepairCafeBassendean>

<https://repaircafebassendean.org.au/>



Basso Church

We are a group of Christians who meet together regularly to praise God and grow in our relationship with Him, encourage each other in following the Lord Jesus, and encourage others in our community to also experience this same relationship with God through faith in Jesus Christ.

Key Achievements

- Successfully held Sunday morning church services online so those that could not attend in person could still enjoy church.
- Our Community Craft and Carpenter's Workshop groups (both on Tuesdays) have grown in numbers over this year as community members felt a need for connecting with others
- We're looking forward to holding a Carols by Candlelight for the people of Bassendean soon!

www.bassochurch.org.au



Bassendean Galaxy Basketball Club

We are a junior basketball club, based and training in Bassendean, playing in the East Perth District Association



Key Achievements

- Bassendean Galaxy has doubled the number of players to 176 across 22 teams.
- Galaxy is supported by 23 dedicated coaches and committee members
- The generosity of the Bassendean business community, has enabled us to keep our fees affordable and provide resources and development opportunities to our coaches.

<https://www.facebook.com/bassendeanbasketball>



Bassendean RSL Eastern Regional

The Eastern Regional RSL is a place run by the service person for the service person. A great place to have chat, coffee in the morning or beer in the evening.



Key Achievements

- Coordinated and run ANZAC day and Remembrance Day services on behalf of the RSL and the Town of Bassendean
- Opened the hall to community groups for use

<https://www.facebook.com/Bassendean-RSL-Eastern-Regional-1578714082392389/>



Bassendean Caledonians SC

Bassendean Caledonian Soccer Football Club is an association football team based in Bassendean, Western Australia.



Key Achievements

- Despite Covid, we have grown our juniors registrations on last year and continue will grow them for the next season.
- Senior registration is up this season. Our men's amateur reserves won their league this year and numbers are looking strong for next season with new expressions of interest coming through.
- We started renovating the club by painting the change rooms, doors and new signage.

<https://www.facebook.com/bassendeancaledonians/>



Bassendean SES

When a natural disaster strikes or an emergency situation arises, DFES's State Emergency Service (SES) volunteers can be found providing a wide range of volunteer services to help the community cope from the impact a disaster.



- Bassendean SES is a community minded unit and has helped out with many community events within in Bassendean and Greater Perth area including Skyworks and the Avon Descent.
- Over the last 18 months we have been involved with helping the police and ADF man the regional borders in response to Covid 19.

<https://www.facebook.com/BassendeanSES>





We would love to keep in touch. Please update any contact information in the Community Directory, to receive updates from the Town:

<https://www.bassendean.wa.gov.au/listings/community>

Bassendean Community Directory

Community Activities

Bassendean Book Club	www.bassendean.wa.gov.au/listings/community/book-clubs
Bassendean Bowling Club	www.facebook.com/bassendeanbowlingclub
Bassendean Chess Club	www.cawa.org.au/seniorclubs.html
Bassendean Melody Club	www.facebook.com/groups/1725834957645789
Bassendean Scrabble Club	www.freewebs.com/scrabblewa/clubs.htm
Bassendean Walking Group	yourmove.org.au/things-to-do/bassendean-walking-group/
Bassendean Writers Group	bassendeanwriters.wordpress.com/
Community Cinemas	www.facebook.com/telethoncommunitycinemas
Eden Hill Dog Fellowship	www.freewebs.com/edenhilldogfellowship
Hanwell Way Community Men's Shed	www.mensshedswa.org.au/sheds-near-you
Hotham Valley Tourist Railway	www.hothamvalleyrailway.com.au/
Mainly Music Bassendean	www.facebook.com/mainlymusicbassendean
Northern Districts Orchid Society Inc.	https://www.ndos.org.au
Railway Museum	www.railheritagewa.org.au
St Vincent De Paul	www.vinnies.org.au/shops/view/340
Swan Friendship Group	www.facebook.com/SwanFriendshipClub
Wider Vision	www.bassendean.wa.gov.au/listings/community/44/wider-vision

Community Groups

Artshouse Community Garden	www.facebook.com/pg/artshousecommunitygarden
AshfieldCAN	www.facebook.com/ashfieldcan
Bassendean 55 Plus Association Inc.	www.bassendean.wa.gov.au/listings/community/9/bassendean-55-plus-association-inc
Bassendean Eastern Regional RSL	www.rslwa.org.au/branch/eastern-regional
Bassendean Historical Society Inc.	library.bassendean.wa.gov.au/services/local-studies/bassendean-historical-society.aspx
Bassendean Lions Club	www.facebook.com/bassendeanlions
Bassendean Men's Shed	bassendean.mensshedswa.org.au
Bassendean Preservation Group	www.facebook.com/bassendeanpreservationgroup

Bassonovas	sites.google.com/site/bassonovas
Eden Hill Community Action Network	www.edenhillcan.org.au
Fibrant Community Arts	fibrantcommunityarts.blogspot.com
Friends Of Bindaring Wetland	www.facebook.com/pg/bindaringparkfriendsbassendean/about
Hanwell Way Community Men's Shed	www.mensshedswa.org.au/sheds-near-you
Maltese Association of WA	www.malteseassociationwa.org.au
Old Perth Road Collective	www.oldperthrd.com
Repair Cafe Bassendean	www.facebook.com/repaircafebassendean
Success Hill Action Group	www.facebook.com/successhillactiongroup
Swan Rotary Club	swanrotary.org.au
Community Services	
Bassendean Community Transport	www.bassendean.wa.gov.au/community/community-services/community-transport.aspx
Bassendean Library	library.bassendean.wa.gov.au/
Bassendean Little Free Library	www.facebook.com/bassendeanlittlefreelibrary/
Bassendean Seniors & Disability Services	www.bassendean.wa.gov.au/community/community-services/seniors-disability-services.aspx
Bassendean Volunteer Centre	www.bassendean.wa.gov.au/community/community-services/bassendean-volunteers.aspx
Bassendean Youth Services	bys.net.au/
Narcotics Anonymous	www.na.org.au/multi/meetings/
Ranger Services	www.bassendean.wa.gov.au/services/rangers-community-safety/ranger-services-cats-dogs.aspx
RYDE Program	www.ryde.org.au
Street Doctor - Ashfield	waconnect.org.au/street-doctor-at-ashfield/
Technology for Ageing and Disability WA	tadwa.org.au/
Therapy Focus Bassendean	therapyfocus.org.au/locations/
Westcare	westcare.com.au/
Sporting Clubs	
Ashfield Sports Club	www.facebook.com/ashfieldsportsclub/
Bassendean Amateur Football Club	bassendeanafc.com.au/

Bassendean Caledonian Soccer Club	www.facebook.com/bassendeancaledonians/
Bassendean Galaxy Basketball Club	www.facebook.com/bassendeangalaxy/
Bassendean Junior Cricket Club	www.facebook.com/bassendeanjuniorcricketclub/
Bassendean Junior Football Club	www.facebook.com/bassendeanjfc/
Eden Hill Little Athletics	www.facebook.com/edenhilllittleathleticsclub/
North Bassendean Little Athletics Club	sites.google.com/site/northbassendeanlac
Bassendean Tennis Club	www.bassendeantennisclub.com.au/
Strikers Christian Football Club	perthstrikerscfc.com.au/
Swan Districts Football Club	www.swandistrictsfc.com.au/
Swan Districts Softball Club	www.facebook.com/pg/swan-districts-softball-club
WA Christian Football Association	www.wacfa.com.au/

Spiritual/ Religious

Bassendean Church of Christ	www.bassochurch.org.au/
Bassendean Presbyterian Church	bpca.org.au/
Church on the Rise - St Mark the Evangelist	www.stmarksbassendean.church/
Eckankar Society of WA	www.eckankar-wa.websyte.com.au
Karla-Bidjar SDA Fellowship	karlabidjar.adventist.org.au/
Morley Baptist Church	www.morleybaptist.org.au/contact
St Joseph's Parish	www.perthcatholic.org.au/Parish.htm?parish_id=-50499994

Education

Anzac Terrace Primary School	anzacterrace.wa.edu.au
Ashfield Primary School	www.ashfieldps.wa.edu.au
Bassendean Primary School	bassendeanps.wa.edu.au
Casa Mia	casamiamontessori.wa.edu.au
Cyril Jackson Senior Campus	www.cyriljackson.wa.edu.au
Ed Connect Australia	www.edconnectaustralia.org.au
Eden Hill Primary School	www.edenhillps.wa.edu.au
St Michael's Primary School	www.stmichaelsbass.wa.edu.au

Bassendean Volunteer Centre

Bassendean Volunteer Centre is an initiative of the Town of Bassendean :

- Offering training, information and resources relating to volunteering
- Advice on “Best Practice” volunteer management
- Referral of potential volunteers and promotion of
- Volunteering positions in the community.
- Matching the skills, interests and availability of potential volunteers to the volunteer duties of their choice
- Offering ongoing information, resources and training

Bassendean Volunteer Centre

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50 Old Perth Road
Bassendean WA 6054

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E: volunteer@bassendean.wa.gov.au



Volunteering WA Statistics

THE ECONOMIC, SOCIAL AND CULTURAL VALUE OF VOLUNTEERING TO WA IS GREATER THAN



39.0

BILLION



HOW DO WE VOLUNTEER?

WESTERN AUSTRALIANS

DONATED



WHICH IS MORE THAN

315,000,000

HOURS

4 OUT OF 5 WA RESIDENTS

VOLUNTEER EITHER FORMALLY OR
INFORMALLY IN THE COMMUNITY



TREATED AS A SECTOR IN ITS OWN RIGHT,

VOLUNTEERING IS WA'S LARGEST INDUSTRY BY EMPLOYMENT

\$ 6,381b



MANUFACTURING

\$ 8,815b



PROFESSIONAL,
SCIENTIFIC &
TECHNICAL SERVICES

\$ 12,458b



CONSTRUCTION

\$ 12,489b



MINING

\$ 24,360b



VOLUNTEERING

(Volunteering WA, 2015)



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