

MEDIA RELEASE

SharkPitch 2024 to be held virtually this coming Tuesday evening at 7.00pm

DATE

Wednesday 28 August 2024

JOIN US FOR SHARKPITCH 2024!

Don't miss out on this year's exciting SharkPitch event, where three local community organisations will compete for crucial funding to drive impactful projects within our community. Your support can make a real difference!

Date: Tuesday 3 September 2024

Time: 7:00 pm

Location: Online - Click the link below to join:

<https://www.crowdcast.io/c/2024sharkpitch>

United Way Glenelg is proud to present the sixth annual SharkPitch event, a unique platform for grassroots organisations to virtually showcase their projects.

Over the years, this event has attracted more than \$270,000 in donations from our generous supporters, driving forward community initiatives and strengthening our collective impact.

"SharkPitch is a testament to the power of community support and collaboration. Each year, we see innovative ideas that can make a lasting difference, and this event helps bring those ideas to life," said Nicole Carr, Executive Officer of United Way Glenelg.

"We're incredibly grateful to everyone who participates, whether by pitching, donating, or simply watching."

Everyone's involvement directly contributes to a brighter, stronger future for our community."

Thanks to the ongoing support of AWA Alliance Bank, every donation made will be matched by the bank, doubling the impact of the contribution. With their partnership, we can amplify the positive outcomes of this event, making each dollar go further.

SharkPitch does more than just fund projects; it empowers community groups by helping them refine their presentation and outreach skills. By participating, these organisations enhance their ability to communicate their mission effectively and engage with potential supporters. This not only increases their chances of securing funding but also raises awareness of their vital work.

This year's presenters include:

Warren Finck from Heywood Mens Shed is looking to extend the meeting/multi-purpose room, adding safe storage and maximizing the room's potential. This will allow the group to enhance the focus on mental health, providing a welcoming environment for face-to-face support and community connection.

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Shirley Menz from The Merino Digby Lions Club's is looking to conduct vision screenings for all primary school children in our area. With nearly 20% of kids facing vision issues, early detection is key to boosting their educational success and social acceptance.

Peter Stamp from The Salvation Army Portland is putting forward the Captain Sal project, a lifeline on wheels offering warmth, hot drinks, and a safe space at the Portland Courthouse, providing vital services, heartfelt comfort, and space for therapy dogs for those in need.

Be part of this transformative event and help shape a brighter future for our community.

SAVE YOUR SPOT at <https://www.crowdcast.io/c/2024sharkpitch> and make your contribution count!

Photo: Peter Stamp, Salvation Army Portland, prepares for his pitch.

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