

# KEY ACHIEVEMENTS OF THE BATHURST COMMUNITY SAFETY PLAN 2019 – 2023

A number of strategies and actions were successfully implemented in partnership with the Bathurst Regional Community Safety Committee. Key achievements of the Bathurst Community Safety Plan 2019 – 2023 include;



Installation of six Red Benches as part of the Red Bench Campaign, an initiative of the Red Rose Foundation to create a permanent reminder that domestic violence occurs in all communities. Red Benches have been installed in Kings Parade, Machattie Park, Haymarket Reserve, Kelso Community Hub, Bathurst Adventure Playground and the corner of Bentinck and Keppel Streets.



The Avoid Being Scammed – Tips for Seniors campaign included development and distribution of tip sheets and notepads throughout the community.



Council partnered with ScamWatch to mark Scams Awareness Week in 2021 and 2022 to raise awareness of different types of scams.



To address steal from motor vehicle offences, the Don't Be Next campaign was developed to remind residents to Lock It, Secure It, Hide It and Report It. The project included a comprehensive social media campaign and advertising in shopping centres.



Council received a NSW Crime Prevention Grant valued at \$39,544 to address residential break and enter. The campaign included TV, cinema and radio advertising, development of printed material, home security workshops and a social media campaign.



To mark Neighbourhood Day, a tri-fold brochure was distributed to all households in the Bathurst region encouraging neighbours to connect with each other to increase the safety of their neighbourhood. The Bathurst Regional Youth Council also attended Bathurst Regional Council Children's Services to create artwork for the children to gift to their neighbours.



A fraud presentation was hosted as part of Seniors Festival 2022 and 2023 in conjunction with the NSW Police Fraud Squad.



Facilitation of a Scooters and Skateboards in the CBD Stakeholder Group to address the rise in incidents involving scooters and skateboards, particularly around shopping centres.



Development and distribution of a tip sheet featuring safety tips for users of mobility scooters following concerns raised by the Bathurst Regional Access Committee.



A flyer was distributed to all households within the LGA raising awareness of elder abuse.

