

# NSW Climate Change Fund

2021-22 highlights



## **Here are some highlights achieved with support from the CCF**

### **We've supported our environment and biodiversity by:**



expanding NSW national parks system to 7.59 million hectares or 9.48% of NSW



working with local landholders and signing over 368 agreements with the Biodiversity Conservation Trust to protect more than 195,000 hectares of privately owned land to enhance and conserve biodiversity and protect our unique and diverse plants and animals



contributing to cultural burning research and setting the future direction of fire management by commissioning the innovative NSW Bushfire Risk Management Research Hub, winner of the prestigious 2021 Australian Museum Eureka prize for Applied Environmental Research



increasing tree canopy in our neighbourhoods and promoting healthier communities by planting and registering 922,814 trees across Greater Sydney, achieving over 90% of the Premier's Priority target of one million trees



investing in priority research relating to the impacts of climate change, natural disasters and extreme weather events on our koala population, addressing any gaps in knowledge and protecting koala habitat.

### **We've supported our community to:**



save over \$24.1 million on annual energy bills and nearly 107,590 megawatt hours (MWh) in energy savings in 94,806 households across NSW through energy efficient upgrades and energy efficient appliances



plant over 60,000 trees on properties in Greater Sydney through the Free Tree Giveaway



install 1,380 solar systems in low-income households since 2019, saving on average \$600 per household per year



help identify more than 400 small NSW schools that could benefit from installing solar panels (photovoltaic) with potential savings of \$640,000 annually and a 15% reduction in energy consumption



build resilience to floods, with the Community Resilience Program 'Floods. What's your Plan?' campaign being awarded the national Emergency Media and Public Affairs award for Excellence in Readiness and Resilience.





## We've supported businesses to:



save an average of \$1,534 through energy efficient lighting and appliance upgrades through the 3,195 projects delivered as part of the small business upgrades program



identify clean technology and innovation opportunities through 3 grant streams, representing \$162.5 million in potential investment



undertake metering and equipment upgrades in manufacturing facilities across NSW, saving 4,404 tonnes of (tCO<sub>2</sub>e), equivalent to electricity use for 1,250 homes



transition their fleets to electric vehicles by providing funding support to car hire and fleet operators, reducing emissions and improving the affordability and availability of electric vehicles in NSW



understand climate mitigation options for cropping systems at 650 sites across regional NSW, to help farmers prepare for various climate change scenarios.



## We've supported NSW local government and government agencies to:



deliver 1,255 efficiency projects across government agencies, saving an estimated \$115 million and 661 million kilowatt hours (kWh) in energy



analyse 165,000 government land assets for renewable energy opportunities using the Renewable Energy Infrastructure mapping portal to identify land assets for renewable energy opportunities including, wind, solar and pumped hydro



protect coastal and estuarine environments with \$47.88 million in local government funding



deliver the first large scale battery storage project at an Australian hospital with the battery manufactured right here in Australia.

### Did you know?

The NSW Government has launched the Climate and Energy Action website. The website provides easy-to-access information about sustainable choices for your household, businesses, or community.

[NSW Climate and Energy Action](#)