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Support for Boomerang Bags Project

The St Neighbourhood House has been undertaking a new project to provide reusable bags to local shops, limiting the consumption of single-use plastic bags.

The 'Boomerang Bags' project is based on the idea that if someone goes to the local shop and forgets their own bags, they can use one of the boomerang bags located at the local store to carry their shopping. People can then return the bag to the store or pass it on for someone else to use.

On behalf of the Hodgman Liberal Government, I am pleased to provide the St Helens Neighbourhood House with \$10,000 to support this project.

Funding will be used to purchase storage cupboards and additional sewing machines, ironing boards and irons, threads and other consumables required to make more Boomerang Bags.

All materials used to create the bags are donated, and put together by Neighbourhood House volunteers and community members.

Similar projects are now beginning in Hobart and other centres around Tasmania.



Photo: Laura Kiloh (St Helens Neighbourhood House).