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WAR MEMORIALS GET REMEMBRANCE DAY BOOST

Eighteen war memorials across the State will be conserved for future generations with the NSW Government funding \$125,000 of repairs ahead of Remembrance Day.

Acting Minister for Veterans Geoff Lee announced the successful projects for the Community War Memorials Fund to conserve, repair and protect.

“These sites are often decades or more than a century old and should be maintained to the highest standard to recognise veterans’ service and sacrifice,” Mr Lee said.

“From the middle of Sydney to the back of Bourke, we will continue to support projects which honour all our defence personnel and their families.”

“We have a proud history of service with NSW communities wanting to recognise the sacrifice of locals. Conservation projects can be large scale and costly so that’s where this fund can really help.”

Grants for the Community War Memorials Fund projects range from \$500 to \$10,000 and the successful projects will conserve memorials from between 1919 to 1949.

Conservation of Boomi War Memorial Hall, a significant First World War memorial from 1921, is among those projects now able to get underway thanks to a \$10,000 grant.

The O’Connell Valley Community Group is using their \$10,000 grant to contract a local arborist for a living memorial of 160 trees.

Applications for the second round open on Remembrance Day – the 11th of November 2020 and close at 5pm on 11 February 2021.

More info at: www.veterans.nsw.gov.au/heritage/community-war-memorials-fund

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