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Newman's Own Foundation's grants \$1million for nutrition

Newman's Own Foundation has awarded grants to 22 nutrition projects as part of its USD \$1million commitment to support nutrition in Australia.

Nutrition is one of the Foundation's four global funding focus areas, with emphasis on providing fresh food access and nutrition education.

Newman's Own Foundation Australian advisor Dimity Pinto said the Foundation received a huge number of applications this year and the selection process for the organisations to share in the \$1million of grants was extremely challenging.

"The charities that were finally selected demonstrated effective and innovative approaches to the broad and often complex issues surrounding nutrition," said Mrs Pinto. "It became clear that better nutrition is an extremely important in Australia and that charities see education at the core of the issue."

The charitable projects include the provision of nutritious food for indigenous, refugee and other marginalised populations, understanding how nutrition can play a vital role in disease management and the need for nutrition education in the schoolyard and beyond.

"There are many nutritional challenges across the country, and we're pleased with the response from charitable organisations around Australia," said Robert Forrester, President and CEO of Newman's Own Foundation.

"We were very impressed with the innovative approaches being employed to improve nutritional outcomes, especially in the areas of providing nutrition education and access to nutritious foods in disadvantaged communities."

Including this year's funding, Newman's Own Foundation has given over \$20 million to Australian charities since 1983.

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About Newman's Own Foundation

Paul Newman was committed to helping make the world a better place. To carry on his philanthropic legacy, Newman's Own Foundation turns all net profits and royalties from the sale of Newman's Own products into charitable donations. To date, Paul Newman and Newman's Own Foundation have given over \$400 million to thousands of charities around the world. For more information, visit <u>www.newmansownfoundation.org</u> or <u>www.paulnewmansown.com.au</u>.

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2014 Grant Recipients

Australian Nutrition Foundation (QLD DIV) Australian Kookaburra Kids Foundation **Bridgewater Police and Citizens Youth Club Brite Services Communities@Work** Cystic Fibrosis Western Australia. **Diabetes ACT** Fair Game FareShare **Foodbank Northern Territory** Foundation for Rural and Regional Renewal Gunawirra **Multiple Sclerosis Limited Ohana For Youth** Port Kembla Community Project Save the Children Australia SecondBite St Vincent de Paul Society in South Australia **The Good Foundation** The Social Studio **Very Special Kids Victorian YMCA**