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'Growing for Good' project receives \$71,000

The Deputy Premier and Minister for Climate Change and Environment, Carmel Tebbutt, today announced a \$71,000 grant for a project developed by the Anglicare Diocese of Sydney.

The Growing for Good project aims at reducing the Southern Highlands community's environmental footprint by educating them about sustainable practices – such as simple consumer behaviours and meeting their own needs through a community garden.

The grant is part of the NSW's Government's 2008/09 Environmental Trust program and aims to involve the more marginalised members of the community," Ms Tebbutt said.

"This project encompasses practices that are good for the environment, good for local communities physical health and good for their mental health.

"Participants will be apply their new skills to their home environments and help to shape the attitudes and behaviours of future generations in the region," Ms Tebbutt said.

The local grant is one of 185 totalling over \$36 million provided by the NSW Environmental Trust in 2008/9, and just part of an expected \$90 million it is investing in environmental projects and programs across the state.

"These innovative projects represent some of the amazing research, education and restoration projects funded through the NSW Government's 2008/09 Environmental Trust program.

"Each year this important program highlights the innovative thinking taking place around the environment in NSW and this year has been no exception," Ms Tebbutt said.

The Environmental Trust is an independent statutory body established by the NSW government to support exceptional environmental projects that do not receive funds from the usual government sources.

For information on the Environmental Trust visit: www.environment.nsw.gov.au/grants/envtrust.htm

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