

Drive to put jobs on Christmas list



MAX Employment Australia wide has started their campaign to find 10,000 jobseekers work by Christmas.

MAX Employment offers free recruitment services and has over 70,000 job ready workers in a range of industries including retail, construction, transportation and hospitality.

MAX has people with an assortment of skills and experience ready to start work today.

MAX offer a no-cost recruitment service, a substantial wage subsidy for eligible jobseekers, provide work clothing and equipment and provide work placement modification for any jobseeker with a disability where necessary.

For every jobseeker placed into sustainable employment this Christmas, MAX Employment will make a donation to The Smith Family's Christmas Appeal.

MAX needs the support of Australian employers to make this happen.

MAX employment invite business organisations to come on board with their campaign in helping fellow Australians with a gift of giving this Christmas, the gift of employment.

For more information call 9653 1133 or visit the office in Dandargagan Street, Moora.

Campaign: Max Employment staff Julie Greatbatch, Michelle McCooke and Claire Armstrong visited business owners last Thursday offering them a purple cupcake and a chance to become part of the great Australian Christmas jobs drive.

By Merrel Pond

Grylls seen as cash cow

and that collaboration across all layers of government and the community would play a vital role.

"With the state's population predicted to double over the next 30-40 years, these towns need to be prepared to capitalise on this growth and plan for a prosperous future," Mr Grylls said.

"Each town will be expected to provide a comprehensive growth plan, identifying the economic drivers, services, amenities and infrastructure needed to reach and support the town's growth potential," Mr Grylls said he had been impressed by the strong community leadership demonstrated in each of the towns.

"Many towns have established their project teams and community reference groups, and they are also involving their surrounding communities, which is such an important element of the SuperTowns program," he said.

"This is all very well Mr Grylls, but there are loud rumblings in the regions - "What about us"."

Many towns throughout country WA are in desperate need of infrastructure funding to grow their towns and there is very strong feeling that they too are entitled to extra funding from Royalties for Regions.

Towns are feeling neglected and disappointed that have been forgotten about.

Many have been strenuously lobbying for more funding for years, especially when it comes to housing and industrial development, land release, health and aged care.

THE word is out. When is this never-ending flow of money going to stop? Towns are feeling neglected and are angry when they heard last week's announcement by Minister for Regional Development, Lands, Brendan Grylls that an additional \$5.5million will be allocated to local governments and Regional Development Commissions (RDCs) to support the nine selected towns with the planning phase of the program involving collaboration across local governments and state agencies.

A total of \$85.5million has already been allocated to the project which includes the towns of Boddington, Collee, Esperance, Jurien Bay, Katanning, Manjinnup, Margaret River, Morawa and Northam.

Mr Grylls said the SuperTowns initiative represented an excellent opportunity to stimulate sustainable economic and community growth in towns in the southern half of Western Australia.

"The SuperTowns vision is to create well-connected communities with access to services, affordable housing, and a diverse range of lifestyle and employment opportunities," he said.

"This will offer more choices for people living in regional WA and provide an alternative to living in metropolitan areas."

The minister said each of the SuperTowns were about to embark on an intensive planning process to map their vision for growth to 2050.