COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS

CASE STUDY

COMMUNITY GRANTS PROGRAM - MAJOR

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Sunshine Coast Reconciliation Group Incorporated

Project: 'Our Shared History' Seminars



"Sunshine Coast Reconciliation Group Incorporated greatly appreciates the Sunshine Coast Council's support that has been given to us.

The seminars are a means of leading Sunshine Coast residents and people from other areas, to a better understanding of life for First Nations people and their descendants since colonisation.

They also give people who do not have First Nations heritage an opportunity to be invited into exploring the oldest surviving culture in the world"

MARGRET ROSS
Acting Secretary/Treasurer
Sunshine Coast Reconciliation Group

Funding: \$7,500 Date: July 2018 Beneficiaries: 300 No. of Volunteers: 6

What happened: The Sunshine Coast Reconciliation Group hosted the second series of the

successful 'Our Shared History' seminars. The seminars were a continuation of shared stories, knowledge and history from Australia's First Nations people, historians and the wider community. Each seminar was well attended with people

from all over the Sunshine Coast participating.

What changed: The seminar series has contributed to achieving greater cultural awareness and

understanding of First Nations history and culture amongst the Sunshine Coast community. The community has benefited from the opportunity to learn about its shared history and build and enhance respectful relationships between First Nations and non-First Nations people. Participants reported appreciating various aspects of the seminars such as; learning about Indigenous languages, culture, hearing

personal stories and reflections on reconciliation.

Strategic Alignment: Sunshine Coast Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP) 2017-2019

Sunshine Coast Social Strategy 2015