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CITY OF RYDE ESTABLISHES MAYOR'S BUSHFIRE APPEAL WITH \$5,000 DONATION

The City of Ryde has established a Mayor's Bushfire Appeal with a \$5,000 donation.

Mayor, CIr Roy Maggio said that this was a time for the community to come together and support those affected by this tragic event.

"Given the magnitude of the disaster and the long term effects the bushfires will have on many communities, this appeal is a chance for the City of Ryde community and the Council to work together to raise much needed funds for those affected.

"The health, social and economic impact on those affected will demand our financial and psychological support over the coming weeks, months and possibly years.

"I ask residents to donate generously to the Mayor's NSW Bushfire Appeal so that we can help these people rebuild their lives and their communities."

The Mayor paid tribute to the dedication and hard work of the men and women in all emergency services whose tireless effort in times of disaster is testimony to the Australian Spirit and way of life.

Council volunteer Bushfire Appeal collectors will be attending Saturday's Giant Car Boot Sale at North Ryde Common (9.00am – 3.00pm) and the dozens of individual garage sales being held across the City of Ryde as part of the Garage Sale Trail. Please give generously.

Collection points will also be located at the Ryde Civic Centre, Ryde Planning and Business Centre, the Ryde Aquatic Leisure Centre and all Library branches.

All funds raised through the City of Ryde Mayor's Bushfire Appeal will be donated to the Salvation Army Bushfire Appeal for the specific use of victims of the NSW bushfires.

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