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Mine Safety body grant sees resuscitation equipment at local school

Mudgee High School has bought three training defibrillators thanks to a \$500 grant from the Mine Safety Advisory Council Community Health & Safety Grant Program.

A training defibrillator is a machine which helps provide individuals with the skills to use an Automated External Defibrillator as part of the resuscitation process where a victim has suffered a cardiac arrest.

Local member, Andrew Gee said the MSAC Council was working to raise community awareness that health and safety issues don't stop at the mine gate.

"The defibrillators have been used by Mudgee High School staff as part of their training for a Senior First Aid certificate, and have been used by students in Personal Development, Health and Physical Education classes," Mr Gee said.

"Before being able to buy their own defibrillators, the school had to hire a training device from Royal Lifesaving Society in Orange, a slower and more expensive option.

"Mudgee High will now be able to loan the defibrillators to other community groups to use as part of their training and development."

The MSAC Community Health & Safety Grant Program aims to get residents of mining communities to consider the health and safety of everyone - not just the people they work with, but also their family and others living in their local community.

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