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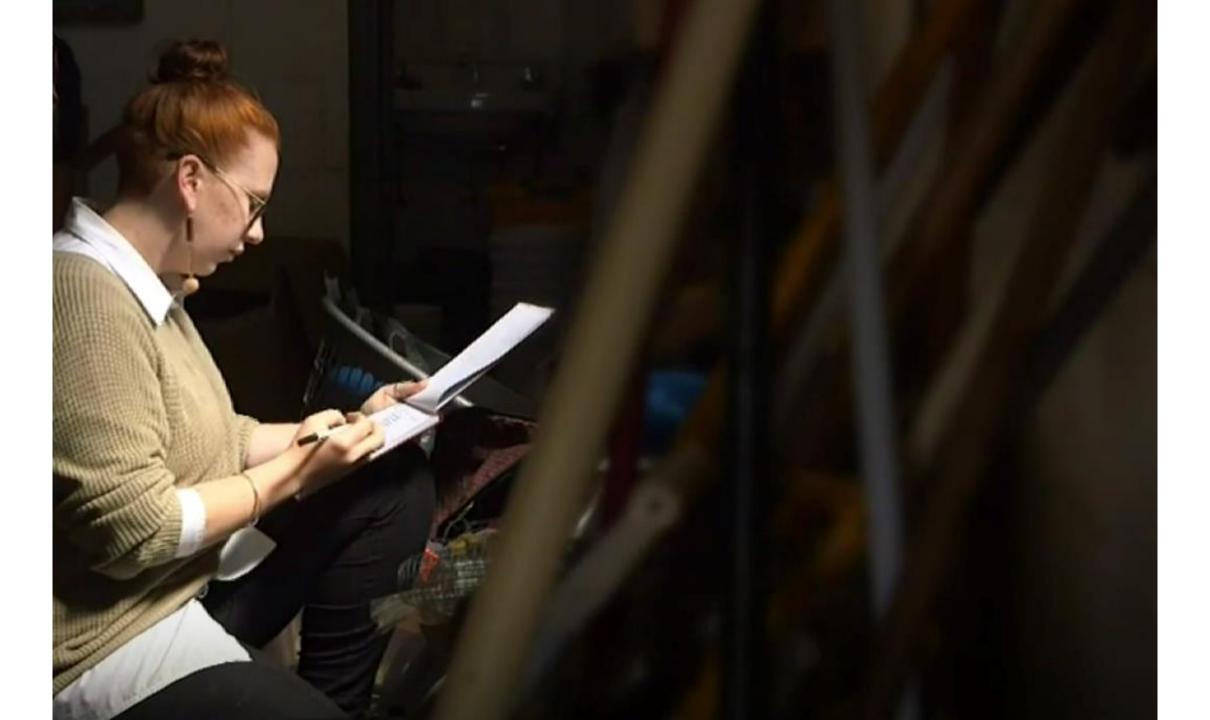
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The Bushfire Community Legal Program



SA Community Legal Sector & Emergency Management

By BCLP's Legal Officer, Holly McCoy



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## Acknowledgement of Country

We acknowledge the Kaurna people as the custodians of the land upon which we are presenting on today.

We pay our respects to their Elders - past, present and to their emerging leaders.

We also recognise and acknowledge that the BCLP operates across a number of First Nations Communities. We pay our respects to all of their Elders too – past, present and to all of their emerging leaders.





### WHAT is the BCLP?

- - Community resilience;
  - »Bushfire preparedness; and
  - > Bushfire recovery.
- ♠ An expansion of the pilot project, provided by Community Legal Centres South Australia (CLCSA) in 2020-2021;
- ☐ The pilot project was a joint venture which saw CLCSA and LSCSA provide free legal services to assist the following communities with their relief/recovery following the 2019/2020 Black Summer:
  - »Adelaide Hills;
  - Kangaroo Island;
  - >Yorketown.

Awards 2021 for best Community Project and was runner up for the National Award.

BCLP won the State Resilient Australia



# WHAT Does the BCLP Do?





### Lessons Learned

- ♣ BCLP Pilot Project (2020/2021) was evaluated by the Climate and Sustainability Policy Research Group (CASPR).
- ➡ Whilst, overall, the community-led, boots on ground services we provided were highly commended, a number of the recommended areas of improvement related to:

  - ☐ Integration of such a service in the Local Recovery Committee;
  - □ Increased duration and ongoing frequency of service delivery; and
  - ₱ Delivery of such services across all of the PPRR phase.
- ♣ A number of these themes were echoed in the Royal Commission into National Natural Disaster Arrangements.

## BCLP Impact

In our first 2 years (August 2020 to July 2022), we recorded the following statistics...





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#### Thank You

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