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Federal Member for Newcastle

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WORK FOR THE DOLE ENCOURAGES COMPUTER RECYCLING

Charities and non-profit organisations in Newcastle will be receiving newly restored and upgraded computers, thanks to a local Work for the Dole project.

Federal Member for Newcastle, Sharon Grierson, will tomorrow congratulate the Work for the Dole team for their efforts in the Mainframe Assembly activity.

The Mainframe Assembly project saw team members assist in stocktaking, computer assembling and upgrading, and administrative work.

“This activity has allowed participants to gain skills in computer restoration and recycling, while working closely with a major organisation in the local community,” Ms Grierson said.

The project was made possible with the commitment of Wesley Uniting Employment and support from local businesses who donated old computers to be recycled.

“It is marvellous example of a community and government partnership giving young people valuable work skills.”

“With their new skills, experience of working in a team and liaising with the community, these participants are now in a better position to take up future employment opportunities throughout the Newcastle area.”

To date, 11 team members have moved on to employment and 17 have received Australian Government training credits.

“The Newcastle community has also benefited from this Work for the Dole activity, with restored computers being distributed to local beneficiaries, charities and non-profit organisations.”

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