## Resilient Hills & Coasts Community Energy Program



#### **ENERGY THAT IS:**

- ✓ Affordable
- ✓ Reliable
- ✓ Good for the local economy
- ✓ Good for our environment







#### WHY

Our communities deserve access to energy that is affordable, reliable, good for the local economy and good for our environment.

Collectively the Southern and Hills region spends around \$300m in electricity costs each year with much of this revenue leaving our communities.

#### **WHAT**

The Resilient Hills & Coast Community Energy Program involves local government and the community working together to:

- reduce cost of living pressures for local residents and businesses
- localise the benefits of energy supply by keeping money in the region
- help transition our community toward a clean energy future
- identify us as a region of choice for climate-ready development and investment

#### HOW

#### PHASE 1

#### **AGGREGATE**

Use the region's collective buying power to access competitive retail energy pricing through a community energy retailer. Capture a portion of the savings for reinvestment in the region during Phase 2.

#### PHASE 2

#### **DEMAND**

Deliver programs that assist the local community to use energy more efficiently.

#### **SUPPLY**

Facilitate investment in new sources of renewable energy, including via a solar and battery bulk-buy program.

#### PROGRAM DESIGN PRINCIPLES

**INCLUSIVE** 

We will empower all members of our community, including our most vulnerable, to participate and take action.

**STAGED** 

We will start small and aim big, building local government and community capacity and expertise over time.

**SUSTAINABLE** 

We will work towards a model that is self-funded and supports local economic development.

**CLIMATE-READY** 

We will help our communities become more resilient by promoting climate-ready development, focusing on where we build and what we build.



# **PARTICIPANTS**

# **OUTCOMES / OUTPUTS**

## COMMUNITY

Households

Businesses, Schools, NGOs

**Local Government** 

Power Supply

**CONSUMER SAVINGS** 

**PROFIT/SAVINGS FUND** 

### **COMMUNITY ENERGY** RETAILER

**AGGREGATE** 

**PHASE 1** 

(collective buying power)

#### **COMMUNITY ENERGY HILLS & COASTS** BOARD

(not for profit)

(efficient use of energy)

SUPPLY

DEMAND

PHASE 2



(including solar/battery bulk buy)

RENEWABLE ENERGY

**PROJECTS** 

ENERGY EFFICIENCY PROGRAMS

GRANT

## NITIAL SEED FUNDING

(local energy generation)

Local Government)

(State / Federal)

#### **Tasks & Timelines\***

Seek a quotation from Moreland Energy Foundation in association with Tandem Energy to prepare the Community Energy Program business case.	By 20 April	2018
Present draft concept to Southern and Hills Local Government Association (S&H LGA). Seek feedback and in-principle support to proceed to the business case phase.	On 27 April	2018
Subject to quotation, engage the services of the Moreland Energy Foundation in association with Tandem Energy to prepare the business case. Co-contributions provided by each participating Council within existing operating budgets.	After 27 April	2018
Work with the Moreland Energy Foundation and Tandem Energy to develop the business case and governance structure.	During May / June	2018
Present a progress report on the business case to S&H LGA seeking a resolution that CEOs/Mayors present the project to their Councils for in-principle support.	On 22 June	2018
The draft business case to be presented to each participating Council, seeking in-principle support.	During August	2018
Await advice on a funding application to the SA Local Government Research & Development Scheme.	During September / October	2018
Engage with the new Elected Members of each participating Council on the Community Energy Program, before seeking a commitment to proceed.	During 2019	2019

<sup>\*</sup>Timelines displayed are indicative

