Make a Difference PMQ **INC**



Rebuilding Futures Grant Recipient 2021



"We strongly encourage other charities and community groups impacted by natural disasters to apply for a Rebuilding Futures Grant. The process was straightforward and extremely well supported by the staff at FRRR. We have a great relationship with the teams at both FRRR and the Suncorp Group, and are incredibly grateful that they supported our charity."

- Erin Denham, Co-founder Make a Difference **PMQ INC**

Make a Difference PMQ is a local charity established to

support locals doing it tough in the Port Macquarie, Wauchope, Camden Haven region.

In the immediate aftermath of the March 2021 floods, Make a Difference PMQ worked collaboratively with Resilience Services NSW, Port Macquarie Hastings Council and other community groups to assist impacted and displaced locals.

Make a Difference PMQ provided:

- Free food services to people who were without power.
- Donated \$70,000 in whitegoods, bedding, clothing and furniture to people that were displaced and impacted by the floods.

It was during their work supporting their local community after the floods, that Make a Difference PMQ realised the best way to be able to respond to future disasters and provide more comprehensive meal and support services to locals in need, would

be to have a food trailer and dedicated shed to house and protect the vehicle.



Make a Difference applied for a one-off grant during the first round of the Rebuilding Futures Grants Program and was awarded \$25,000. The grant has been used to help secure contractors and materials to build a shed which will house, and better protect the charity's fleet vehicles and food trailer.

> "To receive this level of funding is such a relief, and takes a massive burden off our charity's shoulders. We will now be able to continue to support locals in need and help the community rebuild after last year's floods."



