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SITA HELPS BRIGHTON COMMUNITY GARDEN GROW

SITA Australia has demonstrated its commitment to sustainability by awarding a grant to the Brighton Community Garden for a solar power system.

The \$3,978 grant will go towards a 1.5 kilowatt solar generator to power the reticulation pump that waters the garden's organic produce.

SITA's WA State General Manger Nial Stock awarded the funds at a cheque handover ceremony at the garden on Monday, with the Member for Butler John Quigley and Mayor of Wanneroo Tracey Roberts also in attendance.

"Through the SITA Community Grant program we are looking beyond the boundaries of our own operations to see how we can make a sustainable difference in our neighbouring communities," said Mr Stock.

Chris Moore from the Brighton Community Garden said the aim of the solar installation is to reduce the garden's power consumption to close to zero.

"We are very grateful to SITA for supporting our dream of powering our garden from renewable energy. Along with the environmental benefits from the solar installation, we will also be able to invest the money we would normally spend on electricity on other things such as equipment and more plants", he said.

Brighton Community Garden currently has 23 individual garden plots which are maintained by members and their families plus communal gardening areas incorporating fruit trees, flower beds and vegetables which can be tended by members without plots.

Two of the garden plots are maintained by school children from the East Butler Primary School and Quinn's Rock Girl Guides, giving several hundred children a year the chance to experience growing plants for themselves.

"We are so pleased to be able to support such an important community project. SITA is always keen to encourage projects that are aimed at protecting and enhancing the natural environment," said Mr Stock.

"Brighton Community Garden is a fantastic project that encourages community involvement and improves the quality of the local environment," he said.

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