

125 computer monitors given to not-for-profit groups

The City of Marion has given away 125 computer monitors to charity groups, including a hospital in Tanzania and a local organisation providing emergency food relief.

The recipients who successfully applied for the monitors through an Expression of Interest process included the Australia-Tanzania Services Foundation, MarionLIFE Community Services, The Queer Society, Youth Opportunities Australia, UCare Gawler, Glenelg North Community Garden, Southern Volunteering (SA), the Lebanese Muslim Association and Treasure Boxes.

The monitors will be used for a variety of purposes ranging from the management of health records to monitoring video surveillance and assisting volunteers to access organisational documents.

MarionLIFE Director Leighton Boyd said his organisation was pleased to collect 10 monitors.

“MarionLIFE is a local charity and sometimes upgrading our technology can be a budget challenge so we really appreciate this initiative of the City of Marion to contact community groups to extend the life of what is still useful technology that might otherwise have gone to landfill or somewhere else,” Mr Boyd said.

“MarionLIFE will use the monitors to upgrade and add new workstations for our staff and volunteers, to continue supporting and working alongside the local community.”

The 10-year-old monitors were surplus to council requirements following an IT asset renewal program.

There are still more than 100 monitors available for eligible community groups. The models include HP EliteDisplay E221c and HP Compaq LA2206xc.

Power cables are included in the giveaway and DisplayPort cables are available on request.

The following conditions apply:

- City of Marion gives no guarantee of the longevity of the monitors (they are approx. 10 years old).
- Organisations will be required to collect monitors from the City of Marion administration building on either of two designated pick-up days in early May.
- There will be no ongoing technical support provided following the collection of monitors.
- Community groups requesting 10 or more monitors will be selected over those requesting fewer.
- If the demand is higher than the stock available, a panel will assess the applications based on agreed criteria.

Groups can submit Expressions of Interest on this [LINK](#). Successful applications will be notified by the City of Marion.

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