Shire of Coolgardie
Mother of the Goldfields

Meals on Wheels Program

PROJECT UPDATE

11 MAY to 22 May 2020

- Week 4 of the Meals on Wheels Program
- Strict hygiene procedures are in place and adhered to
- Numbers have increased by 70% in Kambalda and by 26% in Coolgardie since the project commenced
- 140 meals are now being delivered in Coolgardie and Kambalda each week

At the end of April, the Shire of Coolgardie launched its first ever Meals On Wheels service in response to the COVID-19 pandemic to assist seniors (70 years and over) in making the transition into self-isolation until they can put their own support mechanisms in place. It began as a partnership between Northern Star and the Shire of Coolgardie to support seniors in Coolgardie with meals prepared by Rangecon.

Goldfields St Ives and Kambalda ESS Support Services have since provided funding support to commence a duplicated service for seniors in Kambalda.

This project is a testament to the strong relationships the Shire has built with mining companies and service providers in our region. Their rapid response to community need, especially the most vulnerable members of the community, has been overwhelming.

"It is clear that, this project is making a huge difference in people's lives and wellbeing. It has become more than just the delivering a nutritious meal - it incorporates a wellness check on these residents and Shire staff are now working with other Community Services to ensure the wellness of these residents"
James Trail, CEO.

"I really look forward to it, its lovely meals, I can't fault it"
Ron McIntyre, Resident.

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