



Householders' Options to Protect the Environment Inc.

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“Fund-raising Appeal”

National environment group Householders' Options to Protect the Environment (HOPE) Inc., which has its head-quarters in Toowoomba, is appealing for financial support from businesses and individuals to help continue its sustainability programs for the coming year.

Established in 1988, HOPE encourages citizens to embrace sustainable living practices at home, in the workplace, at school and on recreation. HOPE also looks at broader environmental issues that impact adversely on communities locally, state-wide and nationally.

HOPE, in partnership or association with key organisations, seeks to deliver on its charter of environmental stewardship through:

- awareness raising campaigns via our website, newsletter and Facebook; as well as through the media
- developing educational resources such as information sheets and Helpful Hints guides
- hosting community forums, workshops and other events

President Frank Ondrus said there are some exciting projects on the horizon including plans for a series of seven energy efficiency workshops; some community forums; and sustainability information sessions at marquee events around the region. “The projects will cost some \$20,000 to organise and facilitate – funds which HOPE currently does not have!” Mr Ondrus said.

“We’re inviting community members and businesses to help us run these programs by making a financial donation to HOPE.” Your donation will have a “double effect” – helping to run these programs, and helping the environment in a bigger way.”

Donations can be made online at www.hopeaustralia.org.au/annual-pledgedonation or sent to HOPE Inc., PO Box 6118 – Clifford Gardens, Toowoomba QLD 4350.

Your generosity in donating funds to HOPE, a not-for-profit organisation run entirely by volunteers, is greatly appreciated.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Frank Ondrus'.

Frank Ondrus, President – HOPE Inc., ph 07 4639 2135