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## The CommuniTree Project takes root

Four Tassie locals, as part of the Tasmanian Community Fund's Emerging Community Leaders Program have created a social inclusion project called ***The CommuniTree Project***.

The project asks 20 local people from different community groups to share their 'story' and what they love about the Huon Valley. These stories will be captured in any creative form (audio, visual, prose, etc.) and showcased on ***The CommuniTree Project*** website and facebook page.

***CommuniTree Project*** Team member Amy Bailey says the project has a particular focus.

"We want to connect people with each other, their environment, and allow individuals to establish 'roots' within the Huon Valley community.

"We are looking at setting this up across the State, however, the Huon Valley will be the first ***CommuniTree*** site," Ms Bailey said.

The project will culminate with a planting day at Heritage Park in Geeveston later in the year. Each of the 20 participants will plant a native tree on the project site, and each tree will be connected to that individual, complete with signage reflecting their stories and the project as a whole.

Huon Valley Council Commissioner Adriana Taylor says the ***CommuniTree Project*** has a worthy aim.



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“The project is an exciting community building effort to celebrate the diversity of the Huon Valley.

“Many of our stories are so different. By hearing a diverse range of stories we can reach a better understanding of how we came to be here in this wonderful locale and what is important to other people who live in the Valley,” Commissioner Taylor said.

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