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Aurizon's Community Giving Fund helps save lives in Central Queensland

Australia's largest rail freight operator Aurizon is kicking off another round of community grants on 15 September 2014.

The Community Giving Fund program has supported 149 worthy charities across Australia since its inception in 2011.

One of the worthy recipients was the RACQ Capricorn Helicopter Rescue Service (CHRS) who were awarded a grant to contribute towards their costs.

Graham Sheppard from the RACQ CHRS says Aurizon's Community Giving Fund grant will help save lives across Central Queensland.

"The funds donated by Aurizon Community Fund are essential for the RACQ CHRS to continue offering peace of mind to the safety of the community throughout the Capricorn region."

"We continually work on coming up with new fundraising ideas and events to promote and fund our service. When a company like Aurizon jumps on board to support us, it helps reinforce to the community how important our service is to those in need in emergency situations."

"CHRS is extremely grateful to be a recipient of the Aurizon Community Fund."

Aurizon Managing Director and CEO Lance Hockridge is calling on the community to encourage local charities to apply.

"The Community Giving Fund can genuinely make a world of difference to those in need.

"We are calling on all charities and not for profit organisations who have projects based on environment, community safety, education or health and wellbeing to apply for a grant of up to \$20,000."

"Apply and let us help you to help those who need it."

The Community Giving Fund opens on 15 September 2014 and closes at 5pm AEDST 24 October 2014.

To apply visit www.aurizon.com.au/community.

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