## THE FREEMASONS



## **Partnering Other Organisations**

Too often lodges receive a request for support and undertake that support without achieving the full potential of the relationship. Furthermore in smaller communities, community groups are frequently competing for the same members and often resources too.

Identify in your community an organisation that the Lodge could establish an on-going relationship with. This builds rapport and familiarity. It will lead to greater understanding about Freemasonry and hopefully might lead to new members joining Freemasonry.

Ways in which this might work:

- Organise an annual fundraising event for the partner organisation year to year;
- Talk to the 'Mens Shed' and suggest the Lodge will cover the cost of materials if they make something for a third organisation – i.e. shelves for the local Play Centre
- Hold an annual competition against other service groups perhaps golf, pool, ten-pin bowling. Perhaps also use as a fundraising event for a joint project.
- Offer the opportunity for a needy charitable organisation to share / use your Freemasons facility.



