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Containers make for plenty of CQ cash

Returning recyclable containers has earned people and community groups in the Fitzroy region more than $14 million as part of the Queensland Government’s Containers For Change programme.

The Member for Keppel and Assistant Education Minister Brittany Lauga said there had been more than 140 million containers returned, as at June 30, 2020, from local government areas in Fitzroy including Rockhampton, Livingstone and Gladstone.

“This has helped to create 44 jobs in the region as well as a valuable cash flow to people and community groups,” she said.

“Since launching in November 2018 Queensland’s container Refund Scheme has seen more than 2 billion containers returned across the state, reducing the number of containers going into the Queensland environment by 48.4%.”

She said the Container Exchange Strategic Plan will continue to focus on developing the capability of the collection network.

PHOTO: Brittany Lauga MP and Kanga Bins’ Amanda McCasker at the Yeppoon facility where exchange rates continue to grow.

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