## **Backcasting**

## Coordinated Bioregional Response

It's late October of 2035 in Western Sydney and the locals are bracing for another brutal summer of extreme weather events. The Bioregional Thrivance Response (BTR) units established in 2025 are vital to preparing local communities for displacement and/or illness resulting from heat, fires, flooding, droughts, vermin infestations, extreme winds and dust storms. The response units draw on their intimate knowledge of and connection to the local community through providing preventative, holistic medical services and daily check-ins during acute pandemics. Each unit is trained to offer services in at least 5 of the primary languages spoken in the area, including Auslan.









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## Neighbourhood-led decentralisation

Local Council initiatives to incentivise reducing household energy consumption have been an incredible success, with local growers subsidised to provide produce boxes to households who consistently reduce and maintain low energy consumption for more than 3 months at a time. Streets and neighbourhoods have gamified this incentive, increasing responses and engagement with the state and federal levels of the energy debate. The uptake across various urban and rural communities is tremendous and has led to lowered distribution costs for food and energy through the creation of decentralised networks – as well as a stronger sense of community.







