**Operation Skin Bank**
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ZONTA CLUB OF BRISBANE EAST PROJECT

SKIN BANK
Description –
Royal Brisbane Hospital
Approx 25 patients per year sustain burns to 50 percent of their body
Skin Bank stores skin for burn victims
Skin Bank was established largely through donations by Zonta
1999 a Skin Culture Laboratory was needed to grow skin from the patient
March 1999 Brisbane East celebrated its 10th Birthday with a major fundraiser for this Laboratory

MONEY RAISED:
Charity Auction Dinner raised $19,000

SERVICE HOURS:
300 hours spent by the Birthday sub-committee -
Canvassing businesses & organisations for support
Organizing the Dinner

LIVES AFFECTED:
Ability to save lives of severe burns victims through the Skin Bank has affected the lives of hundreds of victims, their families and health professionals who care for them
Saving the Government thousands of dollars
Many children affected are now able to lead lives without painful scars and disabilities