

Media statement
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Crucial funding delivered to Legacy WA to support the Families of Veterans in Western Australia

- Legacy WA will receive \$1.14 million from the State Government to enable the continuation of support programs for Veterans' Families.
- The funding will be delivered through the ANZAC Day Trust Grants Program over a three year period.

Legacy WA has been allocated \$1.14 million from the State Government through the ANZAC Day Trust Grants Program.

The funding will support three of Legacy WA's key programs that assist hundreds of Veterans and their Families.

Legacy WA will receive \$477,000 for its Living Independently program, which supports the Families of Veterans in regional and metropolitan areas and helps those with similar shared experiences build social connections.

A further grant of \$300,000 has been allocated to Legacy WA's intake program which engages eligible Families to understand their needs and provide assistance in managing emotional and financial instability.

Legacy WA's Busselton holiday camp will receive \$363,786 through the Respite Support program, which gives current serving members, Veterans and their Families an opportunity for respite and a chance to connect.

"Ex-servicemen and women hold a special place in our community, and today's announcement will enable Legacy WA to support even more Veterans and their Families... we want Western Australia to be the best place in the nation for Veterans to transition back into civilian life by making sure we provide support for employment opportunities, mental health programs and organisations such as Legacy WA," said WA Premier Mark McGowan.



Affectionately known as 'Australia's biggest family', Legacy's proud tradition of caring for over 97 years continues to touch the lives of thousands of Australian Widows, Families and Children of Veterans who have lost their lives or given their health during or following service in all conflicts, from World War I to the current day.

This funding will ensure that Legacy WA can continue to support Veterans' Families throughout Western Australia.

With the release of the latest statistics on Veteran Suicide, we know that organisations like Legacy are more important than ever in caring for the thousands of bereaved families who need support; especially where there are dependent children.

"Legacy WA welcomes this funding and is grateful for the support of the State Government in ensuring that Legacy can continue to make an impact in the lives of Veterans' Families," said Legacy WA CEO Matt Granger.

If you know a Veteran or Veteran Family that requires the support Legacy provides, please reach out to our Community Services Team on 08 9486 4900 or getsupport@legacywa.com.au.

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