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Boost for La Trobe Home and Community Care Services

Frail, older people and younger people with disability in La Trobe will get extra support to stay in their own homes thanks to a \$99,000.00 boost from the Australian and Victorian Governments.

The Member for La Trobe, Jason Wood MP, said the extra Home and Community Care funding would be distributed among three services.

“This extra funding will help expand existing services or create new ones in identified priority areas of need across the state, including in La Trobe to support Victorians who need help to continue to live at home,” Jason Wood MP said.

“And it will enable people to keep active and involved in their local communities.”

The Assistant Minister for Social Services, Mitch Fifield, said the funding was part of \$668 million in joint Australian and Victorian funding invested in the Home and Community Care program across the state this financial year.

“The Australian Government believes that older Australians deserve to have the support they need to live active and healthy lives, and to continue to live at home when possible,” Senator Fifield said.

“The Home and Community Care program provides critical services that help older people and people with disability stay independent for longer, by providing care where most people prefer to receive it—in their own homes and communities.

“This includes nursing and allied health care, personal care, domestic assistance, meals, and social support, as well as respite services for carers—without which many people wouldn’t be able to remain living independently.

“These are all essential to older people and people with disability staying safe and well, and remaining connected to their community and in control of their own lives.” Jason Wood MP said.

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