



Sharon Grierson MP
Federal Member for Newcastle

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\$47,767 TO SUPPORT LOCAL VETERAN COMMUNITY

Local organisations will receive almost \$50,000 in funding from the Australian Government to support the local veteran community, Member for Newcastle Sharon Grierson announced today.

The funding had been approved by the Minister for Veterans' Affairs, Alan Griffin, through the Australian Government's Veteran & Community Grants program.

RSL Lambton Sub-branch will receive \$1,475 to purchase computer equipment to produce a monthly newsletter.

The TPI Association will receive \$6,069 to assist in conducting health promotions and lifestyle awareness sessions.

Alzheimer's Australia NSW will receive \$39,954 to assist with the fit-out of the new Hunter Dementia and Memory Centre.

"This funding will help support these local organisations to keep working to improve the health and wellbeing of our veterans," Ms Grierson said.

"The Government is committed to giving our veterans' community the best support services, and I congratulate these organisations for their initiative in accessing this funding."

"It is particularly pleasing that Alzheimer's Australia NSW will receive this funding, in addition to the \$200,000 commitment to the Dementia & Memory Centre made by Federal Labor at last year's election."

"I look forward to progress on this vital piece of infrastructure for Newcastle."

Veteran & Community Grants are available to ex-service and community organisations, veteran representative groups and private organisations that contribute to the health and welfare of the veteran community.

For more information about the Veteran & Community Grants program, go to www.dva.gov.au/health/grants or contact your DVA State office on 1300 550 465.

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