



## David Littleproud MP

Federal Member for Maranoa

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# Media Statement

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## More Commonwealth Home Support services for Maranoa

The Federal Member for Maranoa, David Littleproud has today welcomed the Minister for Aged Care, Ken Wyatt's announcement that the Coalition Government will provide an additional \$115 million in aged-care funding to help more Australians to live independently at home and in their communities.

The Minister for Aged Care, Ken Wyatt AM, MP, today announced that approximately 245 organisations across Australia will receive funding to deliver additional aged-care services nationally through the Commonwealth Home Support Programme (CHSP) Growth Funding Round.

"The CHSP supports more than 640,000 older people – 65 years and over or 50 years and over for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people - across Australia to live at home and maintain their independence," he said.

Mr Littleproud said today, "I believe helping our older Australians to stay in the rural and regional communities they grew up and raised families in, not only provides peace of mind to older Australians and their families, but also to the communities around them.

"Older people assessed as needing assistance with household chores, preparing meals, personal care and home maintenance will get the help they need to stay at home near family and friends," David Littleproud said.

"Practical help like extra transport services to take people to appointments as well as social events in their local community are simple, but very important, for an older person's happiness and wellbeing.

"I'm extremely pleased that services in Maranoa will receive an additional \$2.2 million of funding to ensure our older residents receive the care and attention they deserve at home."

Information about the CHSP Growth Funding Round is available on the [Tenders and Grants](#) page on the Department of Health website.

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