



David Littleproud MP

Federal Member for Maranoa

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Keeping Aged Care Local, Close to Family and Friends

Maranoa MP David Littleproud has secured \$451,341 in funding to upgrade Nanango-Karinya's Southern Cross Care aged care residence.

The funding was secured through the Aged Care Regional, Rural and Remote Infrastructure Grants initiative - an important part of the Coalition Federal Government's commitment to providing the best quality aged care facilities for senior Australians.

The funding will be utilised to:

- Upgrade en suites to resolve accessibility issues
- Increase safety and replace deteriorating fixtures and paintwork.

"I'm pleased that funding for Nanango-Karinya's aged care home will alleviate accessibility issues and give residents a fresh feel for the place with new paint and fixtures," Mr Littleproud said.

"This make-over will provide a new level of comfort for seniors and I think that has a huge flow-on effect in the community knowing that seniors living in the residence are feeling comfortable and cared for.

"This funding supports aged care providers to better meet the needs of seniors, which builds confidence that relevant care and services are available locally, not only in far-off metro areas.

"I think it's a tragedy is when our seniors are forced to move away from family, friends and community - move away from everything they've ever known - to a larger town or city to receive care as their needs change.

"I am committed to making sure our seniors have local access to relevant care and services and I'm pleased that funding for upgrades at Nanango-Karinya goes a long way to making that a reality."

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