

FREE TAFE ENROLMENTS SOAR AT CHISHOLM

The Andrews Labor Government's Free TAFE initiative has been a roaring success.

The additional \$644 million from last year's Budget has contributed to 39 Free TAFE courses across all the Chisholm Institute Campuses.

Enrolments at Chisholm TAFE increased by 147 per cent between January and February this year.

The Government's TAFE Rescue Fund contributed \$10 million to Chisholm's Centre for Health, delivering courses in nursing, community services and allied health.

Investing in the education of our youth today will ensure that they have better job opportunities in the future.



GET DOWN TO YOUR LOCAL COMMUNITY CENTRE



Community centres provide a safe, welcoming and inclusive environment. People come together to engage in activities that enhance health and social wellbeing, support families and further learning.

Brentwood Park and Oakgrove Community Centres have previously each received an extra \$14,760 for additional hours to help provide further support.

These centres are located at:

Brentwood Park Neighbourhood House
21A Bemersyde Drive, Berwick, Ph: 8743 0671

Hampton Park Community House
16-20 Stuart Avenue, Hampton Park Ph: 9799 0708

Oakgrove Community Centre
89-101 Oakgrove Drive, Narre Warren Ph: 9704 2781

I AM HERE TO HELP

Please remember, I am here to help with any State Government or community matter.

If I can ever be of assistance to you or your family please get in touch.



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HANDS UP FOR THE NEW SCOUT HALL



Narre Warren South Scout Group is pretty excited!

More youngsters will have the chance to develop their leadership skills and give back to the local Narre Warren South community thanks to a funding boost from the Andrews Labor Government.

The Narre Warren South Scout group will receive \$650,000 towards a brand new Scout hall as part of the Andrews Government's Victorian Budget 2019/20.

This investment will mean that the Narre Warren South Scout Group, which has over 100 members, will now have a permanent place to call their home. The hall will also be available for local activities and events such as dance classes, community theatre rehearsals, birthday parties and fitness programs.

Organisations like the Scouts are the heartbeat of our communities, giving young people the opportunity to get outdoors, have fun, and develop resilience and teamwork skills.

PLANS FOR CHILDREN'S EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT



The Andrews State Labor Government has announced funds to begin planning for a new children's emergency department at Casey Hospital in the State Budget 2019/20.

The investment will start the planning process to provide a new emergency department devoted to children and their families.

It will reconfigure or expand the existing emergency department, so that children and their parents have their own dedicated space and staff when needed most.

This is part of a \$5.9 million state-wide program that will ultimately benefit our area with specialist children's emergency care.

This funding for planning will start the ball rolling to provide families in our growing area with top children's health care close to home.



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LOCALS ENGAGE AT COMMUNITY MATTERS FORUM

Local residents were enthusiastic about raising their ideas at our Community Matters Forum.

The event was held at the Old Cheese Factory and saw a wide variety of community members attending, including schools, local seniors, multicultural organisations, community houses and sporting clubs.

It was fantastic to hear thoughts and ideas regarding issues such as jobs, health, education, policing, roads and transport.

The participants voiced a strong desire to celebrate diversity and to bring people together through community activities, programs and centres.

Let's work together in transforming our community.

To get involved please contact my office.



INVESTING IN STUDENTS AT HAMPTON PARK S.C

Hampton Park Secondary College will receive \$3.9 million from the Victorian Budget 2019/20.

The funding will improve and modernise the school's facilities and continue the rollout of their masterplan.

This financial boost means that the Andrews Labor Government has invested a total of \$6.5 million into Hampton Park Secondary College.

The school is growing with over 1200 students from 80 nations, speaking over 65 languages. A true model of diversity.



SAY GOODBYE TO LOCAL LEVEL CROSSINGS



The Andrews Labor Government will start removing the Clyde Road and Cardinia Road level crossings within a year, with works to be completed by 2022.

The Clyde Road boom gates currently disrupt the flow of up to 19,000 vehicles per day.

The Cardinia Road crossing sees boom gates down 30 per cent of the morning peak time.

These crossings are among the 75 most dangerous and congested level crossings that are all being removed.

We have seen 29 crossings already removed which has improved safety for pedestrians, drivers and cyclists.

This removal project will ensure locals get home sooner and safer.

NEW SPORTS GROUND FOR BERWICK CHASE P.S



Students of Berwick Chase Primary School and local residents in the area will soon be enjoying modern sports facilities.

Berwick Chase Primary School will receive \$1.4 million to upgrade their sporting ground as part of the Andrews Labor Government's Victorian Budget 2019/20.

The investment will include the construction of a new oval, cricket practice nets, a pavilion, floodlighting, car parking and landscaping.

This funding will ensure that the local community and children of the Berwick Chase area get a fantastic outdoor sporting space.

NEW AMPHITHEATRE AT HILLSMEADE P.S

Hillsmeade Primary School was granted \$150,000 in funding to see work begin on a brand-new outdoor amphitheatre.

The amphitheatre incorporates design features such as synthetic turf in a number of colours and a timber stage.

Comfortable seating and landscaping complete the amphitheatre to make this an attractive and functional place for the school and the greater Narre Warren South community to use.

Hillsmeade Primary School is one of the largest schools in Narre Warren South, with a school community of about 900 children.

This great school is receiving the facilities that they deserve.



REDEVELOPMENT OF ROBERT BOOTH RESERVE

The Andrews Labor Government has announced \$3 million to redevelop Robert Booth Reserve in Hampton Park so that local sporting clubs and reserve users have the facilities they deserve.

This financial boost was announced in the Victorian Budget 2019/20 and will provide the much needed and long awaited upgrade of the facilities at the Reserve.

The improvements will benefit groups such as the Hampton Park Football & Netball Club, Hampton Park Cricket Club and Hampton Park Fire Brigade.

These organisations are an important part of the fabric of Narre Warren South and its members and locals will enjoy these upgraded amenities.

This project will not only be for the betterment of the local sports clubs but the whole community too!

