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## MEDIA RELEASE

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### **Extra funding for Home and Community Care services**

Federal Member for Chisholm Anna Burke MP today announced \$241,115 of additional services for people in the Chisholm electorate whose capacity for independent living is at risk.

The services will be funded under the Victorian Home and Community Care (HACC) Program – an initiative which provides a comprehensive range of basic maintenance and support services to help frail aged people, people with a disability and their carers to remain living independently.

“People want to remain independent, in their own homes and communities, close to friends and family for as long as they can,” Ms Burke said.

“This funding will help many people stay at home rather than move prematurely into residential care, providing the practical assistance many older Australians need.”

“A total of 17 projects across the Chisholm electorate will share in over \$240,000 in additional funding, including Whitehorse Community Health and Monashlink Community Health.

“Each of these projects is aimed to help the most at-risk sections of our community.

“The funding can be used for identified needs – such as expanding community transport, or meals on wheels – and will enable those in need to directly benefit from the program,” Ms Burke said.

Other local organisations to receive funding include: Chinese Community Social Services Centre, Clota Cottage Neighbourhood House, Migrant Information Centre, New Hope Foundation and Uniting Aged Care.

The HACC program is a joint initiative of the Commonwealth and Victorian state Governments.

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