

Media Release

Andrew Broad

Member for Mallee

Monday 7 August 2017

THE WIMMERA, MALLEE, AND MILDURA REGIONS SCORE \$24,000 UNDER THE BUILDING EXCELLENCE IN SUPPORT AND TRAINING GRANTS PROGRAM

Across the Electorate of Mallee three Ex-Service Organisations (ESO's) will receive a share in \$24,000 worth of grants under the Federal Governments Building Excellence in Support and Training (BEST) program.

Federal Member for Mallee, Andrew Broad said the BEST grants program is an integral part of the Federal Government's commitment to supporting the veteran community and Ex-Service Organisation's.

"These grants will really help our local Ex-Service Organisation's continue to provide a wide range of Veterans Advocacy Services in our community," he said.

"It is vital that we continue to support these services that do so much for our ex-service men and women right around the Mallee."

Under Round 19 of the BEST program The Swan Hill & District Veterans Information Centre was successful in their grant application and is set to receive \$8,400.73. The Sunraysia Regional Veterans Centre will receive \$8,885.61 and the Wimmera Veterans Centre will see a grant of \$9,435.11.

All of the grants will contribute to the provision of Veterans Advocacy Services throughout the Mallee, which may include salary costs of advocates, pension officers and other staff. It can also cover costs of certain equipment, and other costs incurred to support the work of paid and volunteer welfare officers, advocates, pensions officers and administrative assistants.

- ENDS -

Email andrew.broad.mp@aph.gov.au
Web www.andrewbroad.com
Phone 1300 131 620

Media contact: Tori Masters
Email tori.masters@aph.gov.au
Phone 0418 445 233