



Meals on Wheels
Queensland

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NEW FUNDING THE SECRET INGREDIENT FOR MEALS ON WHEELS

Federal Member for Oxley, Bernie Ripoll MP, today visited Centenary Meals on Wheels and congratulated them on receiving funding under the Home And Community Care (HACC) program.

Mr Ripoll met with Gwen Braga, President, Centenary Meals on Wheels, Sally Gardner, Regional Support Officer and local volunteers.

“We know that the majority of older Australians would prefer to remain in their own homes and in their local community,” Mr Ripoll said.

“Organisations like Meals on Wheels are vital in helping older Australians to achieve that aim.”

“I am proud to be a member of the Gillard Labor Government that is providing more funding, for more services, to more older Australians than ever before,” Mr Ripoll said.

The State and Commonwealth Governments have announced a \$39.8 million boost for home and community care services throughout Queensland.

The \$39.8 million funding boost is part of the joint State-Commonwealth Home and Community Care (HACC) program worth \$509 million to Queensland in 2011-12.

A total of ten organisations within the Oxley electorate received HACC funding totalling \$538,693.

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Centenary Meals on Wheels received one-off funding of \$13,000 for professional financial advice, to assess operational practices and undertake business planning reviews ahead of their transition from the state to federal system.

Centenary Meals on Wheels is based at Jindalee Bowls Club and operates from 9.30 am-12.30 pm Monday to Friday. They are always happy to welcome new volunteers. To volunteer, please call 3279 1974 or visit www.qmow.org.

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In the photo: Bernie Ripoll MP presents Centenary Meals on Wheels with a certificate to acknowledge their commitment to the community
(L to R) Sally Gardner, Regional Support Officer, Gwen Braga, President Centenary Meals on Wheels, Bernie Ripoll MP and Sue Stanton, volunteer

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