## **Media Release**

The Hon Shaun Leane MLC

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## **BUILDING UP OUR VETERAN COMMUNITY**

The Andrews Labor Government is inviting organisations that support veterans to apply now for grants of up to \$50,000 to spruce up their buildings and facilities.

Minister for Veterans Shaun Leane today opened the *Veterans Capital Works Grant Program*, which helps eligible organisations fund facility upgrades, so they can provide better support and services to their members.

Any organisation that supports veterans and their families are welcome to apply, such as ex-service organisations, councils and not-for-profit groups.

The funding can be used for renovation or maintenance projects such as providing all abilities access, installing more environmentally sustainable features, improving community access or upgrading memorial halls.

Interested organisations can apply now for grants from \$5,000 and up to \$50,000, for projects that can be completed within a year.

Grant applications close on Monday, 12 April 2021. For more information or to apply, visit <u>vic.gov.au/veterans-</u>capital-works-grant-program.

## **Quotes attributable to Minister for Veterans Shaun Leane**

"Victoria's veterans have served us - and it is now our responsibility to serve them and ensure they have the support they need to live happy, safe and well."

"This funding is about ensuring the places they use to seek support or simply come together are fit-for-purpose, accessible to all and environmentally sustainable as well."

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