Media Release

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UPGRADED MIRBOO NORTH LIBRARY NOW OFFERING 24-HOUR ACCESS

The Mirboo North Library has a fresh new look and is now accessible 24/7 thanks to support from the Andrews Labor Government.

Minister for Local Government Shaun Leane officially opened the library today following \$100,000 worth of upgrades with \$69,000 in funding from the Labor Government's Living Libraries Infrastructure Program.

The Mirboo North Library now boasts a secure entrance for 24-hour access, a Wi-Fi lounge with a kitchenette and new circulation desk to improve customer service.

The library has been given a bright new look and extra power outlets and USB ports have been added for people to study and work.

New modular shelving has been installed making the space more flexible to host other programs and activities, including author talks.

This project also received \$26,000 from Myli - My Community Library along with \$5,000 from local community group, Friends of the Mirboo North Library.

The Government's Living Libraries Infrastructure Program enables councils to deliver new or renewed library infrastructure to bring communities together and encourage lifelong learning.

Since 2015 the Government has invested more than \$42.6 million into 109 Living Libraries projects, allowing a total investment of \$297.2 million for new libraries, upgrades to existing facilities and library vans.

Find out more at: www.localgovernment.vic.gov.au.

Quotes attributable to Minister for Local Government Shaun Leane

"We're investing in libraries right across the state – creating local jobs and ensuring communities have access to the resources they need in their own backyards."

"Libraries are vital community assets. Having 24-hour access to library services will be a huge boost for the Mirboo North community."