

# Media Release

**The Hon Natalie Suleyman MP**

Minister for Veterans  
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## SUPPORTING VETERANS AND HELPING THEM THRIVE

The Andrews Labor Government is looking for fresh ideas and new ways to honour, commemorate and remember Victoria's veterans with the opening of a new round of grants.

Minister for Veterans Natalie Suleyman today announced the Anzac Day Proceeds Fund and Victoria Remembers grant programs are now open.

Both programs provide an exciting opportunity for Victorians to contribute and find new ways to support our veterans.

The Anzac Day Proceeds Fund helps ex-service organisations deliver activities that boost the wellbeing of Victoria's veteran community.

Victoria Remembers supports projects that honour the service and sacrifice of our veterans or educates Victorians about their contributions.

Previous recipients include:

- Soldier On, which is running wellness weekends connecting veterans and their families in Sale, Wodonga and Puckapunyal with the help of the Anzac Day Proceeds Fund
- Flemington/Kensington RSL is refurbishing display cabinets that hold historically important photos with the help of the Victoria Remembers Grants Program. It's also supporting the local veteran community through welfare assistance by connecting them to financial and mental health support
- The Chinese Museum was funded as part of Victoria Remembers to capture the stories of WWI and WWII veterans with their Chinese Australian veterans film project.

To apply or find out more about the grants visit [vic.gov.au/grants-support-and-commemorate-veterans](https://vic.gov.au/grants-support-and-commemorate-veterans).

### Quotes attributable to Minister for Veterans Natalie Suleyman

*"We're providing Victoria's veteran community with practical support to build a fulfilling life beyond their service – these grants are about supporting veteran welfare and giving ex-service organisations the opportunity to design and deliver the programs."*

*"We want to make sure the service and sacrifice of veterans is always remembered and we're always looking for new and innovative ways to honour that service."*