

Media Release

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FUNDING BOOST FOR A REVAMPED ROSANNA LIBRARY

The Rosanna community is set to benefit from a brand-new public library being built thanks to support from the Andrews Labor Government.

Minister for Local Government Shaun Leane today joined Member for Ivanhoe Anthony Carbines to announce Banyule City Council will receive \$1.5 million from the *Living Libraries Infrastructure Program* towards the \$9 million project.

The new facility will double the size of the existing library with a larger children's area, new shared working and study spaces, community meeting rooms and reading areas.

The Living Libraries Infrastructure Program enables councils to deliver new or renewed library infrastructure to strengthen communities and encourage lifelong learning.

Since 2015 the Labor 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.

For more information on Living Libraries and this year's successful applications visit localgovernment.vic.gov.au/grants/living-libraries-infrastructure-program.

To find out more about the projects helping communities and businesses thrive in your local area, visit delivering.vic.gov.au.

Quotes attributable to Minister for Local Government Shaun Leane

"We're making huge investments in libraries across the state through this program – creating local jobs and ensuring Victorians have access to the resources they need in their own backyards."

"Libraries have played a vital role in keeping communities connected through the pandemic and I have no doubt this new resource will continue to be a welcome space in the heart of Rosanna."

Quotes attributable to Member for Ivanhoe Anthony Carbines

"It's great to see the Government supporting the Rosanna community with this investment."

"Libraries are a much-loved part of our community and this new library will ensure even more local people will be able to access all the great services libraries provide."