

Media Release

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ADDITIONAL CASE MANAGEMENT SERVICES FOR INDIGENOUS AUSTRALIANS IN HALLS GAP, ARARAT, AND STAWELL.

Budja Budja Aboriginal Corporation will receive \$434,406 to provide additional case management services for Indigenous Australians in Halls Gap, Ararat, and Stawell thanks to a grant from the Australian Government.

In a big win for Indigenous families and communities across the Wimmera Mallee region, Member for Mallee Andrew Broad says Budja Budja Aboriginal Corporation will be able to further assist people dealing with mental health issues, alcohol and substance abuse, family violence and cultural disconnection.

“The Government is prioritising improving the safety of Indigenous families and communities and this grant is providing support to those who need it most,” he said.

“We’re always on the lookout for better health outcomes in the Wimmera Mallee, and this funding will provide those extra services through to 30 June 2019.”

The Commonwealth Government continues to push toward ‘Closing the Health Gap’ in regional Australia, committing to providing funding over a 2-year period through the Indigenous Advancement Strategy.

The Budja Budja Aboriginal Corporation project is one of 43 recently funded under the Indigenous Advancement Strategy. Each provider will be asked to collect service data to assess the impact of the service, to better understand what works to overcome Indigenous health disadvantages in the future.

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