

Media Alert

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Resthaven Mount Gambier 'Turn the Turf' Ceremony

WHAT: 'Turn the Turf' ceremony.

WHY: To mark construction beginning at the new Resthaven Mount Gambier site.

WHERE: 24 Elizabeth Street, Mount Gambier.

WHEN: 2.30pm, Thursday 26th November 2009.

WHO: Resthaven Board President, Mrs Carole Davidson, Mount Gambier Mayor, Mr Steve Perryman, Rev Diane Grimm and various stakeholders.

Background:

Resthaven is proud to announce the construction of a state-of-the-art residential aged care facility to serve older people in the Limestone Coast. It will accommodate up to 75 people, including both high and low care residents. The facility will open Stage 1 in 2011, with applications open from October 2010.

Resthaven, an agency of the Uniting Church in Australia, currently operates residential aged care facilities at nine locations, offering accommodation to over 1,000 older people of all faiths and beliefs and with diverse cultural and economic backgrounds.

In addition, a range of in home community care and support options are offered throughout metropolitan Adelaide, the Adelaide Hills, Murraylands and across the Limestone Coast, with more than 7,000 clients benefiting from these services.

Resthaven employs approximately 1,500 staff who are supported by 400 volunteers.

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